

# Chinmay SAMANT

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## Summary

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- PhD research scientist with a strong background in computer vision and robotics along with international publications in deterministic machine learning approaches.
- Extensive experience in 3D reconstruction, image processing, autonomous MRI navigation and outlier data removal using OpenCV (C++), TensorFlow and Pandas (Python), Gloptipoly and Optimization Toolbox (Matlab, Maple).
- Self-motivated, autonomous and multilingual individual accustomed to international working environment having an analytical, entrepreneurial mindset.

## Key industry skills

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Scientific communication	3D-reconstruction	Python, TensorFlow, Pandas
Public speaking	Object Recognition	C/C++, OpenCV, Eigen
Project and time management	International consulting	Matlab, Optimization

Languages: English (fluent), French (B1+), Marathi (native), Hindi, Konkani, Portuguese

## Relevant work experience

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Freelance consultant for investment banking	Strasbourg, France
ML Engineer	03/2019 – Present

*Profit optimization in automated trading strategies*

- **Multivariate logistic regression** based algorithms in Python using Pandas and Numpy libraries
- TensorFlow based ANN algorithm in progress
- Client: SSGAM, California, USA

Siemens-Heathineers	Strasbourg, France
Engineer	11/2015 – 10/2018

*Ultrasound Probe Calibration and Positioning*

- **Convex Optimization** approach to outlier removal in sensor/camera data
- Prototype ultrasound probe integration into an on-site ultrasound machine
- Interaction with surgeons in live-surgery for their feedbacks

ICUBE-CNRS, University of Strasbourg	Strasbourg, France
Research Engineer	08/2015 – 10/2015

*Detection and visual tracking of a marker in MR images*

- **Model predictive approach** based on novel shape metric for detection and tracking marker
- Fully automatic feature based classification and visual tracking
- Implementation in C++ using OpenCV and Eigen libraries

LE2i-CNRS, University of Bourgogne-FrancheComté	Le Creusot, France
Intern	06/2014 – 08/2014

*Wood pattern analysis and classification using machine learning*

- Age and quality determination of wooden planks using machine learning
- Comparative study of multiple classifiers such as **SVM, K-means, Random Forest** etc.

## Education

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### PhD in Robotics/Computer Vision

University of Strasbourg

Strasbourg, France

11/2015 – 12/2019

*Ultrasound laparoscopic guidance for minimally invasive surgery, biopsy, and ablation procedures*

- Hand-Eye Calibration based on **semi-definite programming optimization**
- Indoor positioning of medical instrument using IMU-camera sensors
- Deterministic AI approach for outlier estimation and removal
- CIFRE scholarship for industrial PhD with Siemens-Healthineers
- A+ level international conference publication at IROS 1029 (Macau, China), among others

### Masters in Computer Vision

University of Bourgogne-Franch-Comté

Le Creusot, France

09/2013 – 08/2015

(Erasmus Mundus Vision and Robotics Program)

- Machine Learning, ANN, Autonomous, Probabilistic Robotics, Localization, Visual Servoing
- Image Processing, 2D/3D Computer Vision, Scene Segmentation and Registration, Visual Tracking, Medical Imaging

*Relevant Projects:*

- **Projective 3D-reconstruction** using projector patterns (Kinect-alike)
- **Face detection** using Eigen image-based machine learning
- **Structure-from-Motion** based mobile robotics project in **ROS**

### Masters in Electronic Science

University of Pune

Pune, India

08/2010 – 04/2012

- Embedded systems design, Digital Signal Processing
- Analog and power electronics design, Mechatronics
- First prize for master's thesis

### Bachelors in Electronic Science

University of Pune

Pune, India

07/2007 – 04/2010

- Mathematics Physics, Statistics

## Publications

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1. Robust Hand-Eye Calibration via iteratively re-weighted rank-constrained semi-definite programming, in IEEE/RSJ International Conference on Intelligent Robots and Systems (IROS) 2019, Macau, China
2. Robust laparoscope body calibration using Hand-Eye Calibration methods, in 9th CRAS and 30th SPIGC unite at a joint conference 2019, Genoa, Italy
3. Poster on Hand-Eye calibration for surgeries using ultrasound laparoscope, in Congrès National d'Imagerie du Vivant - CNIV 2019, Paris, France
4. Fluid density measurement with ultrasound sensor, Raman memorial conference (RMC), 2013, Pune, India

## Affiliations and hobbies

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Permit de conduire B, Music (Guitar, Singing), Sports (Badminton, bicycling), RC airplane builds