Video Spotlights

In an effort to accommodate more oral presentations, CVPR 2014 will try something new: replacing poster spotlight sessions with online video spotlights. Videos will be available online before, during and after the conference.

Specifically, authors of CVPR papers will be given the opportunity to submit a one-minute video summarizing their work (videos longer than one minute will be rejected). These videos will be indexed on the CVPR website so that conference participants can review the video spotlights online prior to their arrival at the conference, during the conference, or even after the conference.

As part of their video, authors are requested to display a "title slide" with the title, authors and the ID of their poster or oral presentation. There are no specific constraints on the format. The video could display the author in front of his/her poster or it could be a PowerPoint presentation with voice-over. Remember that your audience doesn't want to see the details of your approach in 60 seconds. Rather, an effective video spotlight should briefly state the problem you're addressing in your paper, describe the approach at a very high level, and point out your contributions. Your goal is to pique the observer's interest, so that they visit your poster/oral or read your paper.

Inspiration for creating these videos can be drawn from the winning videos at the NSF International Science & Engineering Visualization Challenge (http://www.nsf.gov/news/special_reports/scivis/challenge.jsp). For example, a video from Bill Freeman's team has received honorable mention (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=e9ASH8IBJ2U) in that Challenge.

While authors are not required to submit a video spotlight, they are encouraged to do so, as we expect that their video spotlights will bring broad exposure to their work, and we're hoping that this mechanism can, like the previous poster spotlights, help conference attendees prioritize their poster/oral viewing.

Timeline:

May 23: Upload instructions are announced

June 6: Deadline to upload videos June 17: Video Spotlights are released

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