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Interests

Machine Learning, Inference, Vision

Current Employment

Since Aug-16 **Postdoctoral Research Fellow in Vision and Learning.**

Supervisor: Prof. Philip H.S. Torr (Torr Vision Group)

Institution: University of Oxford

Education

2012-16 **PhD in Computer Science and Applied Mathematics.**

Thesis: High-Order Inference, Ranking, and Regularization Path for Structured SVM

Institution: INRIA and CentraleSupélec

Advisors: Prof. M. Pawan Kumar and Prof. Nikos Paragios

2011-2012 **Master of Science with Specialization in Graphics Vision and Robotics.**

Institution: Ecole Nationale Supérieure d'Informatique et Mathématiques Appliquées, France

Advisors: Prof. Christian Laugier, Dr. Stéphanie Lefèvre, and Dr. Mathias Perrolaz

2005-2009 **Bachelor of Engineering in Computer Science.**

Institution: Delhi College of Engineering, University of Delhi, India

Publications

International Peer-Reviewed Journals

1. *Rounding-based Moves for Semi-Metric Labeling*, In Journal of Machine Learning Research 2016, Impact Factor: 3.42, Avg Acceptance: 6 months.

International Peer-Reviewed Conferences

1. *Partial Linearization based Optimization for Multi-Class SVM*, In 14th European Conference on Computer Vision (ECCV) 2016, Amsterdam, the Netherlands. Acceptance Rate: 24-27%.
2. *Minding the Gaps for Block Frank-Wolfe Optimization of Structured SVM*, In 33rd International Conference on Machine Learning (ICML) 2016, New York City, USA. Acceptance Rate: 25%.
3. *Parsimonious Labeling*, In International Conference on Computer Vision (ICCV) 2015, Santiago, Chile. Acceptance Rate: 25-30%
4. *Learning to Rank using High-Order Information*, In European Conference on Computer Vision (ECCV) 2014, Zurich. Acceptance Rate: 26.7%
5. *Discriminative parameter estimation for random walks segmentation*, In International Conference on Medical Image Computing and Computer Assisted Intervention (MICCAI) 2013. Acceptance Rate: 30-32%
6. *Learning-Based Approach for Online Lane Change Intention Prediction*, In IEEE Intelligent Vehicles Symposium (IV) 2013, Australia. Acceptance Rate: NA

Under Submission/ In Preparation

1. *Deformable Registration through Learning of Context-Specific Metric Aggregation*.

Research Responsibilities

Reviewer: CVPR, MICCAI, ICVGIP, Journal CVIU, Journal IEEE ITS, Journal IET ITS

Honours and Awards

Gold Medal: Best Bachelor of Engineering project award in the college.

Technical Skills

C, C++, MATLAB, Linux

Research Experiences

Visiting Researcher, SIERRA Team, INRIA, Paris

Advisor: Dr. Simon Lacoste-Julien

Duration: 15th June to 15th Sept 2015 (3 months)

Project: Developed algorithm to obtain optimal regularization path for structured SVM using faster variants of the Block-Coordinate Frank-Wolfe algorithm.

Masters Internship, eMotion Team, INRIA, Grenoble

Advisors: Prof. Christian Laugier, Dr. Stéphanie Lefèvre, and Dr. Mathias Perrolaz

Duration: Dec 2011 to May 2012 (6 months)

Project: Learning based approach for online lane change intention prediction for autonomous cars. Resulted in a reputed international conference paper.

Research Scientist, Advanced Systems Laboratory, India

Duration: Dec 2009 to Aug 2011 (21 months)

Project: Worked on Kalman filter based navigation system using INS and GPS.

Teaching (Courses Assisted)

- *Coursera Course on Discrete Inference and Learning in Artificial Vision* by M. Pawan Kumar and Nikos Paragios, Jan - April 2014.
- *Introduction to Machine Learning*, Ecole Centrale Paris, Matthew Blaschko, 2012-13 and 2013-14.
- *Discrete Optimization*, Ecole Centrale Paris, M. Pawan Kumar, 2012-13.
- *Signal Processing*, Ecole Centrale Paris, Iasonas Kokkinos, 2012-13.

Summer Schools and Recent Courses Attended

- Machine Learning Summer School 2014, Reykjavik, Iceland.
- Computer Vision and Machine Learning Summer School 2013, Paris, France.
- *Deep Learning*, by Iasonas Kokkinos, 2014.
- *Probabilistic Graphical Models*, by Francis Bach and Guillaume Obozinski, 2013.
- *Kernel Methods for Learning*, by Jean-Phillipe Vert, 2013.
- *Convex Optimization*, by Alexandre d'Aspremont, 2014.
- *Discrete Optimization*, by N. Komodakis and M. Pawan Kumar, 2014.

References

- Prof. M. Pawan Kumar, University of Oxford, pawan@robots.ox.ac.uk
- Prof. Nikos Paragios, INRIA and CentraleSupélec, nikos.paragios@ecp.fr