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## Education

M.Sc. in Engineering Cartagena, Colombia

Universidad Tecnológica de Bolívar

2019 - Present

Current GPA: 4.87/5.0

### **B.E. in Mechatronic Engineering**

Cartagena, Colombia

Universidad Tecnológica de Bolívar

2014 - 2018

- GPA: 4.61/5.0
- Thesis: Generation of Digital Elevation Models with Unmanned Aerial Vehicles employing 3D Photogrammetry Techniques on Open Source Software, 5.0/5.0

## Research Interests

Computer Vision, 3D Reconstruction, Deep Learning, Image Processing, Optical Metrology, Medical Imaging, 3D Ultrasound, Digital Fringe Projection, Machine Learning.

## **Honors & Awards**

2021	Runner-up Best Paper Award, LXCV Workshop at CVPR 2021	
2020	"Joven Talento" Scholarship, Ministry of Science and Ministry of Health of Colombia	Colombia
2019	Best Paper Award on Machine Learning and Pattern Recognition, XXII Symposium on Image,	Bucaramanga, Colombia
	Signal Processing and Artificial Vision (STSIVA)	
2019	Masters Scholarship, Universidad Tecnológica de Bolívar	Cartagena, Colombia
2019	Laureate Undergraduate Thesis, Universidad Tecnológica de Bolívar	Cartagena, Colombia
2016	Matrícula de Honor (Best GPA), Universidad Tecnológica de Bolívar	Cartagena, Colombia
2015	Matrícula de Honor (Best GPA), Universidad Tecnológica de Bolívar	Cartagena, Colombia
2014-2018	Outstanding Student, Universidad Tecnológica de Bolívar	Cartagena, Colombia
2014	Premio Liderazgo Caribe (undergraduate scholarship), Universidad Tecnológica de Bolívar	Cartagena, Colombia

# **Experience**

Adjunct Professor Cartagena, Colombia

Universidad Tecnológica de Bolívar

Feb 2020 - Aug 2020

Faculty of Basic Sciences, mechanical physics laboratory

Research Assistant Cartagena, Colombia

GROUP OF APPLIED PHYSICS AND IMAGE AND SIGNAL PROCESSING, UNIVERSIDAD TECNOLÓGICA DE BOLÍVAR

Aug 2018 - Present

- MarkerPose: Robust, real-time pose estimation system based on a planar marker and Deep Learning.
- · Image segmentation of corneal endothelium and corneal guttata with CNNs, using GANs for data augmentation.
- Development of a 3D multimodal medical imaging technique by combining 3D freehand ultrasound and structured light.
- · Development of a high-speed digital fringe projection system for the automatic reading of the skin prick test.
- Analysis of different triangulation methods and their relationship with phase-depth sensitivity in structured light systems.
- Development of different phase unwrapping strategies robust to noise and phase dislocations.

Research Assistant Cartagena, Colombia

OPTICS AND IMAGE PROCESSING LABORATORY, UNIVERSIDAD TECNOLÓGICA DE BOLÍVAR

Sep 2018 - Mar 2019

- Structure-from-Motion (SfM) pipeline reconstruction based on the OpenSfM and OpenDroneMap libraries.
- DTM pipeline generation from a SfM point cloud for terrain analysis.
- · Surface-runoff analysis of a neighborhood in the municipality of Turbaco, Colombia with flood problems due to rainfall.

### **Undergraduate Teaching Assistant**

Cartagena, Colombia

Universidad Tecnológica de Bolívar

Universidad Tecnológica de Bolívar

Feb 2018 - Jun 2018

Faculty of Engineering, Analogue Electronics

### **Undergraduate Teaching Assistant**

Cartagena, Colombia Feb 2015 - Dec 2016

Faculty of Basic Sciences: Differential Calculus, Integral Calculus, Vector Calculus, Differential and Difference Equations

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# **Participation in R+D Projects**

# Development of a computational strategy for the automatic reading of the skin test used in the diagnosis of allergies using the device SPT 3D Scan

Feb 2020 – Feb 2021

Colombia

Funded by Ministry of Health and Ministry of Science of Colombia

Multimodal 3D medical imaging system using fringe projection and ultrasound

Colombia

Funded by Universidad Tecnológica de Bolívar

Sep 2018 - Jun 2019

3D photogrammetry using unmanned aerial vehicles for drain analysis

Colombia

Funded by Universidad Tecnológica de Bolívar

Jun 2017 – Mar 2018

## **Publications**

### JOURNAL ARTICLES

- Jhacson Meza, Sonia H. Contreras-Ortiz, Lenny A. Romero, Andres G. Marrugo. Three-dimensional multimodal medical imaging system based on freehand ultrasound and structured light. *Optical Engineering*, 60(5), 054106, 2021.
- Jesus Pineda, Jorge Bacca, Jhacson Meza, Lenny A. Romero, Henry Arguello, and Andres G. Marrugo. SPUD: simultaneous phase unwrapping and denoising algorithm for phase imaging. Applied Optics, 59(13), D81-D88, 2020.

#### PEER REVIEWED CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS

- Jhacson Meza, Lenny A. Romero, Andres G. Marrugo. MarkerPose: Robust Real-time Planar Target Tracking for Accurate Stereo Pose Estimation. Proceedings of the IEEE/CVF Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR) Workshops, 2021. [Oral Presentation, Runner-up Best Paper Award]
- Jhacson Meza, Raul Vargas, Lenny A. Romero, Song Zhang, Andres G. Marrugo. What is the best triangulation approach for a structured light system? *Dimensional Optical Metrology and Inspection for Practical Applications IX*, SPIE, 2020.
- Jhacson Meza, Pedro Simarra, Sara Contreras-Ojeda, Lenny A. Romero, Sonia H. Contreras-Ortiz, Fernando Arámbula Cosío, Andrés G. Marrugo. A low-cost multi-modal medical imaging system with fringe projection profilometry and 3D freehand ultrasound. *15th International Symposium on Medical Information Processing and Analysis*, SPIE, 2020.
- Jhacson Meza, Andres G. Marrugo, Gabriel Ospina, Milton Guerrero and Lenny A. Romero. A Structure-from-Motion Pipeline for Generating Digital Elevation Models for Surface-Runoff Analysis. *Journal of Physics: Conference Series*, Vol. 1247, No. 1, IOP Publishing, 2019.
- Jesus Pineda, Jhacson Meza, Erik M. Barrios, Lenny A. Romero and Andres G. Marrugo. Noise-Robust Processing of Phase Dislocations using Combined Unwrapping and Sparse Inpainting with Dictionary Learning. XXII Symposium on Image, Signal Processing and Artificial Vision (STSIVA), IEEE, 2019. [Best Paper Award].
- Jhacson Meza, Andrés G. Marrugo, Enrique Sierra, Milton Guerrero, Jaime Meneses and Lenny A. Romero. A Structure-from-Motion Pipeline for Topographic Reconstructions using Unmanned Aerial Vehicles and Open Source Software. Colombian Conference on Computing, Springer, Cham, 2018.

# **Open Source Projects**

- MarkerPose: PyTorch and LibTorch implementation of the paper "MarkerPose: Robust Real-time Planar Target Tracking for Accurate Stereo Pose Estimation."
- SL+3DUS: implementation of the paper "Three-dimensional multimodal medical imaging system based on freehand ultrasound and structured light."
- 3D freehand ultrasound calibration: Python implementation for calibration of a 3D freehand ultrasound system using a stereo vision system and a planar marker.

# **Academic Service**

Peer reviewer for Journal of Applied Remote Sensing (2020), Engineering Science and Technology, an International Journal (2020), Optical Engineering (2021).

### Skills

**Programming** C/C++, Python, CUDA C++ (beginner), MATLAB. **Frameworks** OpenCV, PyTorch, LibTorch, TensorFlow/Keras.

Tools Git, CMake, ET<sub>F</sub>X.