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OVERVIEW

My research focuses on **self-supervised and continual learning for computer vision**, with a particular interest in building efficient, minimally supervised representation learning systems. Previously, I interned at **Siemens Healthineers**, where I developed **self-supervised methods for 3D medical image analysis**. Published in ICML, NeurIPS, TMLR, and BMVC.

Research Interests: Self-Supervised Learning, Continual Learning, Computer Vision, Deep Learning, Medical Imaging

EDUCATION

Ph.D. in Imaging Science, Rochester Institute of Technology August 2019 - Expected: May 2026

Rochester, New York

• Advisor: Dr. Christopher Kanan

• Research focus: Self-supervised and continual learning for computer vision

• Relevant course work: Deep Learning for Vision, Human Visual System, Image Processing, and Computer Vision.

• **Highlights**: 7+ publications

B.Sc. in Mechatronics Engineering, Universidad Nacional de Ingeniería im March 2011 - December 2015

Lima, Peru

• Relevant course work: Machine Learning, Image Processing, Object Oriented Programming, Research Methodology

• Highlights: 2 publications

EXPERIENCE

Research Intern, Siemens Healthineers ## Aug 2023 - Nov 2023 ## Malvern, Pennsylvania

- Designed and implemented masked autoencoder-based self-supervised pretraining for 3D organ classification, segmentation, and lung nodule detection.
- Achieved a 1000× reduction in training iterations for a transformer-based 3D lung nodule detector via effective pretraining strategies.

Technologies used: Python, PyTorch, MONAI, Azure AI ML

Data Scientist, NTT DATA Europe & Latam May 2018 - July 2019 Lima, Peru

- Developed a vehicle damage severity classification system using CNNs and deployed a demo.
- Built a large-scale recommendation system using neural collaborative filtering for 1.5M clients and 150K items.
- Created a real-time cosmetic product recognition app for mobile devices using MobileNet (96% accuracy).
- Trained an audio emotion classifier on spectrograms, achieving 70% accuracy.

Technologies used: Python, PyTorch, Keras, TensorFlow Lite, OpenCV, Librosa, Docker, Flask, PySpark, DVC, Git, GitHub

Research Intern, Siemens Healthineers April 2017 - March 2018 Siemens Healthineers

- Designed a 3D CNN for lung nodule classification on CT scans, improving sensitivity to 90% while halving false positives (1.45 FP/patient).
- Developed an annotation tool to correctly tag lung nodule images.
- Summarized and presented current machine learning state-of-the-art works in reading groups.

Technologies used: Python, Caffe, SimpleITK, Tkinter, CT scan data

Research Assistant, Universidad Nacional de Ingeniería (UNI) 🛗 July 2016 - March 2017 🌗 Lima, Peru

• Developed a convolutional neural network for diabetic retinopathy detection from retinal images (83% accuracy).

Technologies used: Python, Keras, OpenCV

Software Tester (QA), International Business Machines (IBM) ## April 2016 - October 2016 | Lima, Peru

• Executed QA and testing strategies for a telco database system. Developed a face recognition prototype using IBM Watson services.

Technologies used: Python, SQL, OpenCV, Watson visual recognition

TECHNICAL SKILLS

• Programming Languages: Python

• Deep Learning Libraries: PyTorch, MONAI, Continuum

• Scientific Computing: Numpy, Scikit-learn, Pandas

• Tools & Platforms: Git, Bash, LaTeX, Azure ML, Docker, DVC, WandB, TensorBoard

• Operating Systems: Linux, Windows

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

- 1. M.Y. Harun, **J. Gallardo**, and C. Kanan. Controlling Neural Collapse Enhances Out-of-Distribution Detection and Transfer Learning. *In: International Conference on Machine Learning* (*ICML*), 2025 Link
- 2. M.Y. Harun, K. Lee, J. Gallardo, G. Krishnan, and C. Kanan. What Variables Affect Out-Of-Distribution Generalization in Pretrained Models?. In: Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS), 2024 Link
- 3. **J. Gallardo**, C. Savur, F. Sahin, and C. Kanan. Human Emotion Estimation through Physiological Data with Neural Networks. *In: System of Systems Engineering Conference* (**SoSE**), 2024
- 4. M.Y. Harun, **J. Gallardo**, and C. Kanan. GRASP: A Rehearsal Policy for Efficient Online Continual Learning. *In: Conference on Lifelong Learning Agents* (*Collas*), 2024 Link
- 5. M.Y. Harun*, **J. Gallardo***, T.L. Hayes, R. Kemker, and C. Kanan. SIESTA: Efficient online continual learning with sleep. *In: Transactions on Machine Learning Research* (**TMLR**), 2023 [CoLLAs-2024 Event Certified] Link
- 6. Md Y. Harun, **J. Gallardo**, T.L. Hayes, and C. Kanan. How Efficient Are Today's Continual Learning Algorithms?. *In: CVPR Workshop on Continual Learning in Computer Vision (CLVISION*), 2023 Link
- 7. I. Sur, Z. Daniels, A. Rahman, K. Faber, **J. Gallardo**, T.L. Hayes, C.E. Taylor, M.B. Gurbuz, J. Smith, S. Joshi, N. Japkowicz, M. Baron, Z. Kira, C. Kanan, R. Corizzo, A. Divakaran, M. Piacentino, J. Hostetler, and A. Raghavan. System design for an integrated lifelong reinforcement learning agent for real-time strategy games. *In: International Conference on AI-ML Systems*, 2022 Link
- 8. **J. Gallardo**, T.L. Hayes, and C. Kanan. Self-supervised training enhances online continual learning. *In: British Machine Vision Conference (BMVC)*, 2021 Link
- 9. G. García, J. Gallardo, A. Mauricio, J. López, and C. Del Carpio. Detection of diabetic retinopathy based on a convolutional neural network using retinal fundus images. *In: Artificial Neural Networks and Machine Learning (ICANN)*, 2017 Link
- 10. A. Mauricio, A. Nieves, Y. Castillo, K. Hilasaca, C. Fonseca, **J. Gallardo**, R. Rodríguez, and G. Rodríguez. Multi-robot exploration and mapping strategy in underground mines by behavior control. *In: International Symposium on Multibody Systems and Mechatronics* (**MUSME**), 2014 <u>Link</u>

PEER-REVIEWED ABSTRACTS & POSTERS

- 1. M.Y. Harun, K. Lee, **J. Gallardo**, G. Krishnan, and C. Kanan. What Variables Affect Out-of-Distribution Generalization in Pretrained Models? *In: ICML Workshop on Unifying Data Curation Frameworks Across Domains* (**DataWorld**), 2025
- 2. M.Y. Harun, K. Lee, J. Gallardo, G. Krishnan, and C. Kanan. Disentangling the Causes of the Tunnel Effect in Deep Neural Networks. In: IEEE Western NY Image & Signal Processing Workshop (WNYISPW), 2024 (Oral)
- 3. M.Y. Harun, **J. Gallardo**, and C. Kanan. Prioritized Training on Rehearsal Samples for Efficient Online Continual Learning. *In: IEEE Western NY Image & Signal Processing Workshop (WNYISPW)*, 2023 (Oral)
- 4. **J. Gallardo**, T.L. Hayes, and C. Kanan. Self-supervised training enhances online continual learning. *In: IEEE Western NY Image & Signal Processing Workshop (WNYISPW)*, 2021

^{*} Equal contribution

HONORS & AWARDS

- Invited Speaker: Self-supervised and continual learning talk at Center for Human-Aware AI Seminars, RIT (2022)
- Guest Speaker: Continual-Al Reading Group Presented paper on self-supervised online continual learning (2021)
- Webinar Speaker: Computer Vision at NTT DATA Europe & Latam (2018)
- Research Grant Recipient: Funded by UNI for diabetic retinopathy detection project (2016)
- Student Leader: President, Artificial Intelligence and Control Systems Research Group (GISCIA), UNI (2016)

TEACHING EXPERINENCE

- Teaching Assistant, Image Processing and Computer Vision II RIT (Spring 2020)
 Assisted with labs, assignments, and student support in advanced computer vision topics.
- Teaching Assistant, Imaging Science Fundamentals RIT (Fall 2019) Supported undergraduate instruction in core imaging science principles.

REVIEWER

- Winter Conference on Applications of Computer Vision (WACV), 2026
- Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition Conference (CVPR), 2024-2025
- International Conference on Computer Vision (ICCV), 2025
- Conference on Lifelong Learning Agents (CoLLAs), 2025
- CVPR Workshop on Continual Learning in Computer Vision (CLVISION), 2024
- AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence (AAAI), 2024

LANGUAGES

English: FluentSpanish: Native