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## PROFILE

Ph.D. student in Computer Vision at *KAUST* (Saudi Arabia) and *Universidad de los Andes* (Colombia), under the supervision of Professors Bernard Ghanem and Pablo Arbeláez. My research focuses on the robustness of Deep Learning-based Computer Vision systems. In particular, I am interested in the vulnerabilities of these systems: understanding and fixing them, and pondering on how to leverage these vulnerabilities for other purposes. Recently, I have studied how generative models inherently learn semantics, and how we can exploit the representations learnt by generative models to understand more complex systems.

## EXPERIENCE

### **Undergraduate Course Assistant; Universidad de los Andes — Aug'2014-May'2017**

With Professors Jaebum Son (*Biomechanics and Scientific Programming*), Mario Valderrama (*Scientific Programming*), Julián Moreno and Darwin Martínez (*Object-Oriented Programming*), Juan Pablo Hernández (*Differential Calculus*) and Fabio Villamil (*Linear Algebra*).

### **Graduate Research Assistant; Universidad de los Andes — Aug'2017-Jul'2019**

Research on enhancing the diagnosis and attention provided to strokes in Colombia, sponsored by a *Colciencias'* grant. Worked on data handling and web development. Under the supervision of Professor Antonio Salazar.

### **Graduate Research Assistant; Universidad de los Andes — Aug'2019-Jun'2020**

Research on harnessing Deep Learning for (1) image segmentation based on natural language, and (2) adversarial robustness. Under the supervision of Professor Pablo Arbeláez.

### **Machine Learning Engineer; Tecnología y Gerencia SAS — Jul'2017-Jan'2020**

Leading engineer in charge of the design and implementation of a Machine Learning system for one of Colombia's largest banks.

## EDUCATION

**Universidad de los Andes — B.Sc. *Cum Laude* in Biomedical Eng., 2017.**

**Universidad de los Andes — M.Sc. Biomedical Eng., 2019.**

## LANGUAGES

- Spanish (native)
- English (112/120 TOEFL iBT score)

## ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENTS

- Two-times winner of the Academic Excellence Scholarship offered by *Uniandinos (Universidad de los Andes' Alumni Association)*: 2016 and 2017.
- Best *Saber Pro* Country-wide test score in Engineering in 2016.
- Outstanding reviewer: CVPR 2019, CVPR 2020, NeurIPS 2020, CVPR 2021, ICCV 2021.

## PUBLICATIONS

- Dynamic Multimodal Instance Segmentation Guided by Natural Language Queries. **ECCV 2018**, Munich, Germany.
- Design of a Telestroke System to Optimize Healthcare Delivery for Cerebrovascular Diseases in Colombia. **eTELEMED 2019**, Athens, Greece.
- Gabor Layers Enhance Network Robustness. **ECCV 2020**, Glasgow, United Kingdom (virtual).
- Comprehensive telestroke network to optimize health care delivery for cerebrovascular diseases: Algorithm development. **JMIR 2020**.
- Towards Robust General Medical Image Segmentation. **MICCAI 2021**, Strasbourg, France (virtual).
- A Hierarchical Assessment of Adversarial Severity. **ICCV Workshop 2021**, Montreal, Canada (virtual). *Best paper award*.
- Enhancing Adversarial Robustness via Test-time Transformation Ensembling. **ICCV Workshop 2021**, Montreal, Canada (virtual).
- Generalized Real-World Super-Resolution through Adversarial Robustness. **ICCV Workshop 2021**, Montreal, Canada (virtual).
- Rethinking Clustering for Robustness. **BMVC 2021**, virtual.
- Combating Adversaries with Anti-Adversaries. **AAAI 2022**, Vancouver, Canada (virtual).