# NICHOLAS SIMIC

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#### RESEARCH INTERESTS

Computer Vision, Machine Learning, Optimization, 3D Pose and Motion Estimation, Digital Humans.

#### WORK EXPERIENCE

Research Engineer Feb 2024 - present

Research Engineer at the Computer Graphics Laboratory (CGL) ETHZ

Disney Research Intern Jul-Sept 2023

Research Intern for the Digital Human Group at Disney Research Zurich

#### SELECTED MASTER PROJECTS

# 3D Face Estimation from a Monocular RGB Image with Dense Landmarks (Thesis)

3D face reconstruction with regression-based dense landmark prediction and parametric model fitting. Implemented in PyTorch, Lightning.

## Face Modeling and Learning (Shape Modeling and Geometry Processing)

Face landmarks selection, face alignment, PCA of faces, face space learning using GCNs. Implemented in Python and PyTorch.

## Road Segmentation (Computational Intelligence Lab)

Segmentation of aerial images of roads approached using an ensemble of pre-trained Unet architectures and compared with a GAN model. Implemented using PyTorch.

#### SELECTED MASTER COURSES

Computer Vision	$Sep ext{-}Dec~2020$
Computer Graphics	$Sep ext{-}Dec~2020$
Shape Modeling and Geometry Processing	Feb- $Jun~2021$
Computational Models of Motion	Feb- $Jun~2021$
Probabilistic Artificial Intelligence	$Sep ext{-}Dec \ 2021$
Computational Intelligence Lab	$Sep ext{-}Dec \ 2021$
Seminar In Advanced Topics in Computer Vision and Graphics	$Sep ext{-}Dec~2021$

#### ACADEMIC EDUCATION

## Swiss Federal Institute of Technology in Zürich (ETHZ)

2019-2022

MSc in Computer Science

# Swiss Federal Institute of Technology in Lausanne (EPFL)

2016-2019

BSc in Communication Systems

Bachelor Project: Study Of The Square Form Factorization Algorithm (SQUFOF)

## **SKILLS**

Programming: Python, C/C++, Java, Scala, MatLab. Libraries: Numpy, Scipy, OpenCV, Theseus

Deep Learning Frameworks: PyTorch, Lightning

## **LANGUAGES**

Italian (Maternal), English (Fluent), French (Elementary), German (Elementary)

## REFERENCES

Dr. Gurkirt Singh ETH Zurich

Dr. Vasileios Choutas ETH Zurich, Max Plank Institute Tübingen