Epameinondas Antonakos

Curriculum Vitae

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Research Interests

Computer Vision, Machine Learning, Deep Learning, Robotics

Experience

Jun 2018-present Amazon, Berlin, Germany

Manager, Applied Science, Robotics Al.

Team: Manager in the Robotics AI team in Berlin that focuses on large-scale perception and robotic manipulation projects. I am managing a scientific team of six people and I am leading the Computer Vision projects of the team.

Projects: Object grasping and manipulation in cluttered scenes using robotic arms. Large-scale on-the-fly object identification from multi-modal data.

Feb 2017-Jun 2018 Amazon, Berlin, Germany

Applied Scientist, Computer Vision.

Team: Computer Vision Team as part of the Core Artificial Intelligence (CoreAI) organization. Projects: Worked on multiple projects spanning from segmentation to augmented reality.

Oct 2012-Jan 2017 Imperial College London, UK

Research Assistant.

Group: Intelligent Behaviour Understanding Group (iBUG)

Projects: 4D-FAB: Automatic analysis of facial behaviour in 4D (EPSRC)

Worked on 2D and 3D bespoke deformable facial models.

TeSLA: An Adaptive Trust-based e-assesment System for Learning (EU)

Development of face deformable tracking and verification for an e-assesment platform.

Sep 2011-Sep 2012 National Technical University of Athens, Greece

Graduate Research Assistant.

Group: Computer Vision, Speech Communication & Signal Processing Group (CVSP)

Project: Dicta-Sign: Sign Language Recognition, Generation and Modeling with Application in Deaf Communication (EU)

Research on unsupervised classification of facial events for sign language recognition.

Education

2013-2017 Imperial College London, UK

Ph.D. in Computing.

Topic: Robust Statistical Deformable Models

Description: 2D and 3D Deformable Models in-the-wild, with focus on the development of

powerful generative models and methodologies for their unsupervised training.

Advisor: Dr. Stefanos Zafeiriou

Examiners: Prof. Lourdes Agapito, Dr. Stefan Leutenegger

2004–2011 National Technical University of Athens, Greece

Diploma/M.Eng. in Electrical and Computer Engineering.

Diploma thesis: Visual Modeling of Human Face in Real-Time with Applications in Recognition

Advisor: Prof. Petros Maragos

Teaching Experience

- 2013–2017 MSc students supervisor, Department of Computing, Imperial College London, UK.
- 2015–2016 **Teaching Assistant**, Department of Computing, Imperial College London, UK.
 - o Computational Techniques (undergraduate course): Lab tutoring, coursework marking.
 - o Machine Learning (postgraduate course): Coursework marking.
- 2011–2012 **Teaching Assistant**, School of Electrical and Computer Engineering, National Technical University of Athens, Greece.
 - Computer Vision (postgraduate and undergraduate course): Lab tutoring, help sessions, coursework design and marking.
 - o Digital Signal Processing (undergraduate course): Lab helper, coursework marking.

Software

2013-present Menpo Project

Python open-source (BSD-licensed) ecosystem that provides end-to-end solution for 2D and 3D deformable modeling. It includes training and fitting code for state-of-the-art deformable models, generic object detection, interactive visualization widgets and a web-based tool for annotation of bulk data. The Menpo Project is available in http://www.menpo.org/ and on Github (https://github.com/menpo/).

2012 GUI Matlab toolbox for face detection, tracking and facial events detection. It includes implementations of Active Appearance Models, Viola-Jones face detection and skin color detection methods. Available upon request. Demo videos: [link1], [link2]

Awards and Distinctions

- 2016 Selected to participate in the first Google Computer Vision PhD Summit 2016.
- 2016 Selected in the finalist stage of the Qualcomm Innovation Fellowship Europe 2016.
- 2015 Selected by Imperial College London as the only Ph.D. candidate to be supported for the Google European Doctoral Fellowship 2015.
- 2014 10% best paper award in IEEE International Conference on Image Processing 2014.

Languages

English **Fluent** Cambridge Proficiency Certificate (CPE, Grade B), IELTS (score: 7.5)

French Good command DELF, DALF, Sorbonne I and Sorbonne II

Greek Native

Programming Skills

Github profile: https://github.com/nontas/

languages Python, C/C++, Matlab

libraries tensorflow, mxnet, scikit-learn, scipy, ipython, git

Citations

Source: Google Scholar

citations 718 h-index 11

Refereed Journal Articles

- 2018 J. Booth, A. Roussos, E. Ververas, E. Antonakos, S. Poumpis, Y. Panagakis, and S. Zafeiriou. 3D Reconstruction of "In-the-Wild" Faces in Images and Videos. *IEEE Transactions on Pattern Analysis and Machine Intelligence (T-PAMI) (impact factor 2018: 9.455)*, 40(11): pp. 2638-2652, November 2018.
- 2018 G. Chrysos, E. Antonakos, and S. Zafeiriou. IPST: Incremental Pictorial Structures for Model-Free Tracking of Deformable Objects. *IEEE Transactions on Image Processing* (T-IP) (impact factor 2018: 4.828), 27(7): pp. 3529-3540, July 2018.
- 2017 G. Chrysos, E. Antonakos, P. Snape, A. Asthana, and S. Zafeiriou. A Comprehensive Performance Evaluation of Deformable Face Tracking "In-the-Wild". *International Journal of Computer Vision (IJCV) (impact factor 2017: 8.222)*, pp. 1-35, 2017.
- 2016 C. Sagonas, E. Antonakos, G. Tzimiropoulos, S. Zafeiriou, and M. Pantic. 300 Faces In-The-Wild Challenge: Database and Results. *Image and Vision Computing (IMAVIS), Special Issue on Facial Landmark Localisation "In-The-Wild" (impact factor 2014: 2.384)*, 47: pp. 3-18, 2016.
- 2015 E. Antonakos, J. Alabort-i-Medina, G. Tzimiropoulos, and S. Zafeiriou. Feature-Based Lucas-Kanade and Active Appearance Models, *IEEE Transactions on Image Processing* (*T-IP*) (*impact factor 2015: 3.625*), 24(9): pp. 2617-2632, September 2015.
- 2014 E. Antonakos, V. Pitsikalis, and P. Maragos. Classification of Extreme Facial Events in Sign Language Videos. *EURASIP Journal on Image and Video Processing*, Springer, 2014(14): 2014.

Top-Tier Conference Presentations

- 2017 J. Booth, E. Antonakos, S. Ploumpis, G. Trigeorgis, Y. Panagakis, and S. Zafeiriou. 3D Face Morphable Models "In-the-Wild". In *IEEE International Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR'17) (8% acceptance rate)*, Honolulu, HI, USA, Spotlight, July 2017.
- 2017 R. A. Güler, G. Trigeorgis, E. Antonakos, P. Snape, S. Zafeiriou, and I. Kokkinos. DenseReg: Fully Convolutional Dense Shape Regression In-the-Wild. In *IEEE International Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR'17) (29% acceptance rate)*, Honolulu, HI, USA, July 2017.
- 2016 G. Trigeorgis, P. Snape, M. Nicolaou, E. Antonakos, and S. Zafeiriou. Mnemonic Descent Method: A recurrent process applied for end-to-end face alignment. In *IEEE International Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR'16) (29.9% acceptance rate)*, Las Vegas, NV, USA, June 2016.
- Y. Zhou, E. Antonakos, J. Alabort-i-Medina, A. Roussos, and S. Zafeiriou. Estimating Correspondences of Deformable Objects "In-the-wild". In *IEEE International Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR'16) (29.9% acceptance rate)*, Las Vegas, NV, USA, June 2016.
- 2016 L. Zafeiriou, E. Antonakos, and S. Zafeiriou. Joint Unsupervised Deformable Spatio-Temporal Alignment of Sequences. In *IEEE International Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR'16) (29.9% acceptance rate)*, Las Vegas, NV, USA, June 2016.
- 2015 E. Antonakos, J. Alabort-i-Medina, and S. Zafeiriou. Active Pictorial Structures. In *IEEE International Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR'15)* (27% acceptance rate), Boston, MA, USA, pp. 5435-5444, June 2015.

- 2014 J. Alabort-i-Medina*, E. Antonakos*, J. Booth*, P. Snape*, and S. Zafeiriou. (*Joint first authorship). Menpo: A Comprehensive Platform for Parametric Image Alignment and Visual Deformable Models. In ACM International Conference on Multimedia (MM'14), Orlando, FL, USA, pp. 679-682, November 2014.
- 2014 L. Zafeiriou, E. Antonakos, S. Zafeiriou, and M. Pantic. Joint Unsupervised Face Alignment and Behaviour Analysis. In *European Conference on Computer Vision (ECCV'14)* (25% acceptance rate), Zurich, Switzerland, pp. 167-183, September 2014.
- 2014 E. Antonakos, and S. Zafeiriou. Automatic Construction of Deformable Models In-The-Wild. In *IEEE International Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR'14) (28% acceptance rate)*, Columbus, OH, USA, pp. 1813-1820, June 2014.

Ordinary Conference Presentations

- 2016 E. Antonakos*, P. Snape*, G. Trigeorgis, and S. Zafeiriou. (*Joint first authorship). Adaptive Cascaded Regression. In *IEEE International Conference on Image Processing (ICIP'16)*, Phoenix, AZ, USA, *Oral*, September 2016.
- 2015 G. Chrysos, E. Antonakos, S. Zafeiriou, and P. Snape. Offline Deformable Face Tracking in Arbitrary Videos. In *IEEE International Conference on Computer Vision Workshops* (*ICCVW'15*), 300 Videos in the Wild (300-VW): Facial Landmark Tracking in-the-Wild Challenge & Workshop, Santiago, Chile, December 2015.
- 2015 E. Antonakos*, A. Roussos*, and S. Zafeiriou*. (*Joint first authorship). A Survey on Mouth Modeling and Analysis for Sign Language Recognition. In *IEEE International Conference and Workshops on Automatic Face and Gesture Recognition (FG'15)*, Ljubljana, Slovenia, pp. 1-7, May 2015.
- 2014 E. Antonakos, J. Alabort-i-Medina, G. Tzimiropoulos, and S. Zafeiriou. HOG Active Appearance Models. In *IEEE International Conference on Image Processing (ICIP'14)* (Received the top 10% papers award.), Paris, France, pp. 224-228, October 2014.
- 2012 E. Antonakos, V. Pitsikalis, I. Rodomagoulakis, and P. Maragos. Unsupervised Classification of Extreme Facial Events using Active Appearance Models Tracking for Sign Language Videos. *IEEE International Conference on Image Processing (ICIP'12)*, Orlando, FL, USA, pp. 1409-1412, October 2012.

Other Publications

2016 J. Alabort-i-Medina*, E. Antonakos*, J. Booth*, P. Snape*, and S. Zafeiriou. (*Joint first authorship). The Menpo Project. In *ACM SIGMM Records*, 8(2), June 2016. http://records.mlab.no/2016/04/28/the-menpo-project/.

Theses

- 2017 E. Antonakos. *Robust Statistical Deformable Models*. Ph.D. thesis, Department of Computing, Imperial College London, March 2017.
- 2011 E. Antonakos. Visual Modeling of Human Face in Real-Time with Applications in Recognition. Diploma thesis, National Technical University of Athens, School of Electrical and Computer Engineering, July 2011. In greek.

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