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## EDUCATION

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**The University of Tokyo, JAPAN** (Apr 2009 - present)

Apr 2014 -       **Pursuing a Ph.D. degree** in Information Science and Technology

Advisor: Yoichi SATO

Mar 2014:       **Master of Science** in Information Science and Technology

Advisor: Takeshi NAEMURA

Mar 2012:       **Bachelor of Engineering** in Information and Communication Engineering

Advisor: Takeshi NAEMURA

**National Institute of Technology, Tokyo College, JAPAN** (2003-2009)

Mar 2009:       **Associate of Engineering** in Information Engineering

Advisor: Tetsuya KOJIMA

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

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Include low and mid-level computer vision, particularly,

- **3D reconstruction** in both geometric and photometric approaches.
- **MRF optimization** for higher-order energies or a large label space.

## RESEARCH PROJECTS

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**The University of Tokyo, JAPAN**

*Optimization Method for Binary Variable Energies* (2014 - ) [2]

Propose an optimization method for binary variable energies used in *e.g.* image segmentation and banalization. The method can be applied to broad classes of higher-order and pairwise non-submodular energies.

*Stereo Matching using Continuous Markov Random Fields and Graph Cuts* (2012 - ) [4]

Propose an accurate stereo matching method that estimates a local 3D plane at each pixel. The energy function is modeled as a pairwise Markov random field with 3D plane labels, and is efficiently optimized using graph cuts.

*Image Segmentation using Higher-Order Markov Random Fields* (2011 - 2012) [1], [5]

Propose an image segmentation method using a higher-order Markov random field model, which robustly enforces the appearance consistencies between resulting and priori known color distributions for both foreground and background regions.

**National Institute of Technology, Tokyo College, JAPAN**

*Blind Deconvolution of Mixed Sound Signals* (2008)

Propose a blind deconvolution method for mixed sound signals. The source signals are assumed stochastically independent, and the problem is cast as independent component analysis in the frequency domain.

## AWARDS & HONORS

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- October 2015:     **Microsoft Research Asia Fellowship**  
                          from Microsoft Research Asia
- 2014 - 2017:     **JSPS Young Research Fellowship (DC1)**  
                          from the Japan Society for the Promotion of Science
- March 2014:     **Dean's Award for Best Master Thesis**  
                          from the Graduate School of Information Science and Technology, the University of Tokyo
- March 2012:     **Dean's Award for Best Bachelor Thesis**  
                          from the Faculty of Engineering, the University of Tokyo

## PUBLICATIONS

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### ◆ Journals

- [1] Tatsunori TANIAI, Viet-Quoc Pham, Keita TAKAHASHI, and Takeshi NAEMURA: “Image Segmentation using Simultaneous Matching of Foreground-Background Color Distributions”, *IEICE Transactions on Information and Systems (Japanese edition)*, vol. J96-D, no. 8, pp. 1764–1777 (Aug 2013).

### ◆ International Conference Papers

- [2] Tatsunori TANIAI, Sudipta Sinha, and Yoichi SATO: “Joint Recovery of Dense Correspondence and Cosegmentation in Two Images”, In *Proc. of IEEE Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR 2016)*, Las Vegas, NV, USA (Jun 2016). (acceptance rate: 643/2145 = 29.9%)
- [3] Tatsunori TANIAI, Yasuyuki MATSUSHITA, and Takeshi NAEMURA: “Superdifferential Cuts for Binary Energies”, In *Proc. of IEEE Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR 2015)*, pp.2030–2038, Boston, MA, USA (Jun 2015). (acceptance rate: 602/2123 = 28.4%)
- [4] Tatsunori TANIAI, Yasuyuki MATSUSHITA, and Takeshi NAEMURA: “Graph Cut based

Continuous Stereo Matching using Locally Shared Labels”, In *Proc. of IEEE Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR 2014)*, pp.1613–1620, Columbus, OH, USA (Jun 2014). (acceptance rate:  $540/1807 = 29.8\%$ )

- [5] Tatsunori TANIAI, Viet-Quoc Pham, Keita TAKAHASHI, and Takeshi NAEMURA: “Image Segmentation using Dual Distribution Matching”, In *Proc. of British Machine Vision Conference (BMVC 2012)*, pp.74.1–74.11, Surrey, UK (Sep 2012). (oral presentation. acceptance rate:  $32/414 = 8\%$ )

#### ◆ Technical Reports

- [6] Tatsunori TANIAI, Yasuyuki MATSUSHITA, Yoichi SATO, and Takeshi NAEMURA: “Continuous Stereo Matching using Local Expansion Moves”, In *arXiv:1603.08328*, cs.CV (Apr 2016). (an extended version of [4])

#### ◆ Invited Talks

- [7] Tatsunori TANIAI: “Solving Segmentation and Dense Correspondence Problems using Graph Cuts”, In *The 1<sup>st</sup> CREST Symposium on Random Fields and Deep Learning*, at Waseda University, Tokyo, Japan (Jan 13<sup>th</sup>, 2016). (Organizers: Prof: Hiroshi Ishikawa & Prof. Takayuki Okatani)
- [8] Tatsunori TANIAI: “Joint Co-segmentation and Dense Correspondence”, In *The final interview of Microsoft Research Asia PhD fellowships*, at Microsoft Research Asia office, Beijing, China (Sep 11<sup>th</sup>, 2015).
- [9] Tatsunori TANIAI, Yasuyuki MATSUSHITA, and Takeshi NAEMURA: “Superdifferential Cuts for Binary Energies (CVPR 2015)”, In *The 18<sup>th</sup> Meeting on Image Recognition and Understanding (MIRU)*, IS1-10, at Osaka, Japan (Jul 28<sup>th</sup>, 2015).
- [10] Tatsunori TANIAI, Yasuyuki MATSUSHITA, and Takeshi NAEMURA: “Graph Cut based Continuous Stereo Matching using Locally Shared Labels (CVPR 2014)”, In *The 17<sup>th</sup> Meeting on Image Recognition and Understanding (MIRU)*, IT1-1, at Okayama, Japan (Jul 29<sup>th</sup>, 2014).

#### ◆ Domestic Conference Papers (in Japanese)

Two papers including one refereed paper.

## EXPERIENCES

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**Conference Reviewer:** 3DV 2014

**Journal Reviewer:** IEEE TIP 2015

**Research Internship at Microsoft Research Asia** (Jan 26<sup>th</sup> – Apr 25<sup>th</sup>, 2016)

Supervisor: Dr. David Wipf

**Research Internship at Microsoft Research** (June 1<sup>st</sup> – Sep 4<sup>th</sup>, 2015)

Supervisor: Dr. Sudipta Sinha

Part of the internship achievements has been published as a CVPR 2016 paper [2].

**Research Internship at Microsoft Research Asia** (Dec 11<sup>th</sup>, 2012 – Apr 17<sup>th</sup>, 2013)

Supervisor: Dr. Yasuyuki Matsushita

Part of the internship achievements has been published as a CVPR 2014 paper [4].

## **SKILLS**

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- 10+ years of programming experiences in **C++**, **C#**, and **Java**
- Visual computing using **OpenCV**, **MATLAB** and **Python**
- GPGPU programming skills using **OpenCL** and **CUDA**
- Academic literacy & conversation skills in **English**. (TOEIC 930 in May 2011)