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RESEARCH INTERESTS

Computer Vision and Machine Learning

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Disney Research Zurich *(April - July 2017)*
Research Intern
Project title: *Unsupervised and semi-supervised learning of audience facial expressions using deep generative models.* Improved the classification accuracy by 9% over the existing method.

University of Bedfordshire *(June, 2013 - September, 2013)*
Research Intern
Project title: *New Foundational Structures for Engineering Verified multi-UAVs*
Collaborator: Department of Computer Science, University of Oxford

DEEP LEARNING SKILLS

- **Deep CNN architectures:** AlexNet, VGG-16, Faster-RCNN, SSD.
- **Deep generative models:** VAEs (Variational Autoencoders), GANs (Generative adversarial networks), semi-supervised deep generative models.
- **Deep learning software tools:** Torch, Caffe, Theano.
- **GPU application:** multi-GPU training / testing in Torch.

EDUCATION

PhD in Computing and Mathematics *(September 2014 - Present)*
Artificial Intelligence and Vision research group, Oxford Brookes University
Thesis direction: *Spatiotemporal human action localisation in videos*
Supervisors: Professor Fabio Cuzzolin, Professor Nigel Crook, Dr Tjeerd Olde Scheper

MSc in Computer Science *(September, 2012 - March, 2014)*
University of Bedfordshire, United Kingdom
Grade: **double distinction** (Scored 94.27% marks)
Thesis: *A Monocular Vision Approach for Obstacle Detection and Collision Avoidance for Low-cost Quadrocopters.*
Supervisors: Ashutosh Natraj, Sonia Waharte
Related Publication link, Project page link, MSc thesis poster

Polytechnic Diploma Engineering in Computer Science *(August, 1999 - June, 2002)*
Siddaganga Polytechnic College, Tumkur, Karnataka, India

PUBLICATIONS

- **Suman Saha**, Gurkirt Singh, Fabio Cuzzolin. 2017.
  AMTnet: Action-Micro-Tube regression by end-to-end trainable deep architecture, arXiv preprint arXiv:1704.04952. Accepted in **ICCV** (International Conference on Computer Vision, Venice), Italy, October, 2017.

- Gurkirt Singh, **Suman Saha**, Michael Sapienza, Philip H. S. Torr, Fabio Cuzzolin. 2017.
  Online Real time Multiple Spatiotemporal Action Localisation and Prediction on a Single Platform, arXiv preprint arXiv:1611.08563. Accepted in **ICCV** (International Conference on Computer Vision, Venice), Italy, October, 2017.

- **Suman Saha**, Gurkirt Singh, Michael Sapienza, Philip H. S. Torr, Fabio Cuzzolin. 2017.
  Spatio-temporal human action localisation and instance segmentation in temporally untrimmed videos, arXiv preprint arXiv:1707.07213 (2017).

- Fabio Cuzzolin, Michael Sapienza, Patrick Esser, **Suman Saha**, Miss Marloes Franssen, Johnny Collett, Helen Dawes. 2017.
  Metric learning for Parkinsonian identification from IMU gait measurements, Journal Gait & Posture 54 (2017): 127-132.

- **Suman Saha**, Gurkirt Singh, Michael Sapienza, Philip H. S. Torr, Fabio Cuzzolin. 2016.
  Deep Learning for Detecting Multiple Space-Time Action Tubes in Videos, In Proceedings of the 27-th British Machine Vision Conference (BMVC), York, United Kingdom. Our proposed method **achieved the state-of-the-art results to date** in spatiotemporal human action localisation in videos.
  Project page link, YouTube video link.

- **Suman Saha**, Ashutosh Natraj and Sonia Waharte. 2014.
  A real-time monocular vision-based frontal obstacle detection and avoidance for low cost UAVs in GPS denied environment, 2014 IEEE International Conference on Aerospace Electronics and Remote Sensing Technology, Yogyakarta, pp. 189-195. Project page link, Paper link.

- **Suman Saha.** 2014.
  A Monocular Vision Approach for Obstacle Detection and Collision Avoidance for Low-cost Quadrocopters, MSc thesis, University of Bedfordshire, UK.

- **Suman Saha**. 2014.
  Face Recognition using PCA and Multilayer Feedforward Neural Networks, European Journal of Applied Sciences and Technology.

- **Suman Saha**. 2014.
  Parallelization of Genetic Algorithms using MapReduce, European Journal of Applied Social Sciences Research.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Tata Steel Limited, Jamshedpur, India   (*November, 2006 - August, 2012*)
Software Analyst at the Research and Development Division (R&D)
Major works include:

- Designed and developed a software to increase the thermal efficiency and reduce the fuel consumption of WRM (wire rod mill) reheating furnace.

- Designed and developed software to predict mill force, mean flow stress, strain, percentage elongation, yield strength using *ANN* (artificial neural netowrks).

- Maintained a software which predicts the mechanical properties of the hot rolled strip using a series of physical and microstructural based models, coupled with various techniques including *ANN* (artificial neural netowrks).

- Applied different Machine learning algorithms such as SVM (Support Vector Machine), PCA (Principal Component Analysis) for production data analysis.

SICT Pvt. Ltd. India   (*July, 2002 - October, 2006*)
Software Developer

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Oxford Brookes University, United Kingdom

- Delivered an introductory lecture on *Advance Computer Vision* to MSc students, 6th July 2015.

- Helped two MSc Computer Vision students with their final projects (2015-2016 batch).

- Teach undergraduate students *IT Skills* module (September 2016-2017 batch).

Tata Steel Limited, Jamshedpur, India
- Guided 3 Bachelor in Computer Science summer interns at R&D division (2010).

TECHNICAL REPORT, TALK
- Delivered a talk on spatio-temporal human action localisation at the Departmental Research Seminar, Oxford Brookes University, February 2016.
- *A survey report on Deep Learning Approach for Human Action Detection from Video* submitted to CCT Dept. Oxford Brookes University, September, 2015.
- *Performance analysis on temporal tubes: A benchmarking report* submitted to CCT Dept. Oxford Brookes University, 2014.
- *Streaming hierarchical graph based video segmentation*, a talk presented at research group seminar, Oxford Brookes University, November, 2014.
- *Streaming hierarchical graph based video segmentation: A step-by-step guide* submitted to CCT Dept. Oxford Brookes University, 2014.

AWARDS AND ACHIEVEMENTS
- Our group won the reading group competition at *ICVSS 2015 Summer School* - 2015
- Received the prestigious University Research Studentship award, Oxford Brookes University - 2014
- Successfully passed ICVSS 2015 examination, July 2015.
- Nominated for the prestigious Overseas PhD Scholarship award Scheme, Aberystwyth University, United Kingdom (*declined*) - 2014
- *Best Overall Performance award* for MSc course, 3rd April, 2014
- *Best Masters Project award* on 3rd April, 2014
- *Merit Scholarship award* at Masters level, 2014
- Secured highest marks in Computers Science in standard X(96%) and XII(grade: A).
- Secured top rank in school in standard 'X' final board examinations.

COURSES UNDERTAKEN
- CS231n: Convolutional Neural Networks for Visual Recognition, Stanford Vision Lab (mode - online).
- Machine Learning course, department of Computer Science, University of Oxford (mode - online).
- Attended International Computer Vision Summer School 2015, Sicily, Italy.
- Attended doctorate training programme for statistical methods of data analysis, Oxford Brookes University, 2015.
- Attended training session on the use of Oxford Brookes high performance computing facilities, 2015.
- Attended talk on *Visualizing and Understanding Recurrent Neural Networks* by *Andrej Karpathy*, Stanford Computer Science group, at Engineering and Science Department, Oxford University.
- Attended two reading groups in the Department of Engineering Science at University of Oxford, topic discussed Generative Adversarial Nets (GANs), Variational Autoencoders (VAEs), June, 2016.

- *MSc taught courses:* Intelligent Agents, Programming Embedded Systems, Distributed and Parallel Computing, Systems Architecture, Data Modelling and Management, Network Systems, Cryptography and Cryptanalysis, Professional Project Management.

- *Self-motivated learnings (MSc)*: Multiple View Geometry in Computer Vision, Probability Theory and its Applications, Linear Algebra, Single and Multi-Variable Calculus.

- *Polytechnic Diploma Engineering:* Applied Mathematics, Applied Science, Digital Electronics and Introduction to Microprocessor, Electrical and Electronic Engineering, Computer Network and Architecture, System Programming, Software Engineering, Operating System, Advanced C programming and Data Structures.

SERVICES AND PARTICIPATION

- Presented a poster on *Deep Learning for Detecting Multiple Space-Time Action Tubes in Videos* in the *MURI Meeting* at St. Catherines College, Oxford, UK, 1st August, 2016.

- Presented a poster on *Online Human Action Localisation based on Appearance and Motion Cues* at *(ICVSS) 2015*, Sicily, Italy, July 2015.

- Actively participated in the TeenTech event at London, 1st December 2015.

- Attended the Ambassadors visit at Gipsy Lane campus, Oxford Brookes University, UK, 30th September, 2015.

- Actively participated in the BBC News live broadcast at BBC broadcasting hub, London, 14th September, 2015. Watch: video1 , video2.

- Taking humanoid robot Artie to Magna Carta event on 18th June 2015.

- Actively participated in the Outburst Festival with humanoid robot Artie and the Naos, 9th May, 2015.

- Actively participated in the Joint University Alliance and Deloitte research showcase, Royal Institution, 21 Albemarle Street, London, W1S 4BS, UK, 12 March, 2015.

- Attended the Real World Impact filming event organised by University Alliance on 31st January, 2015 at Gipsy lane campus, Oxford Brookes University, UK, 31st January, 2015.

COMPUTING SKILLS

- **Programming Languages:** C/C++, Matlab, Lua, Python, Java.
- **Scientific computing software tool:** Torch, Caffe, Theano, OpenCV.
- **GPU application:** multi-GPU training/testing in Torch.
- **Operating Systems:** Linux and Windows.
- **Development Environments:** PyCharm, Lua Development Tool, GCC, Net-Beans.
- **Productivity Applications:** LaTex, Bitbucekt, Github, Vim, Kate, MS Office, Libreoffice.
- **Multi-media development software:** Inkscape, Openshot, Audacity, GIMP.

REFERENCES **Academic references**

1. Professor Fabio Cuzzolin
   - Relationship: Director of studies and PhD Supervisor.
   - Organization: Oxford Brookes University
   - Position: Professor of Artificial Intelligence
   - Website URL: http://cms.brookes.ac.uk/staff/FabioCuzzolin/
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2. Professor Nigel Crook
   - Relationship: PhD co-supervisor
   - Organization: Oxford Brookes University
   - Position: Head of the Computing and Communication Technology Department
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3. Dr Tjeerd Olde Scheper
   - Relationship: PhD co-supervisor and research tutor
   - Organization: Oxford Brookes University
   - Position: Senior Lecturer at Computing and Communication Technology Department
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4. Dr Michael Sapienza
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   - Organization: University of Oxford
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5. Dr Ashutosh Natraj
   - Relationship: MSc supervisor
   - Organization: University of Oxford
   - Position: Postdoctoral research fellow
   - Website URL: https://www.cs.ox.ac.uk/people/ashutosh.natraj/
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6. Dr Sonia Waharte
   - Relationship: MSc co-supervisor
   - Organization: University of Oxford
   - Position: Postdoctoral research fellow
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Professional references

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   - Relationship: co-supervisor
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3. Dr Sumitesh Das
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   - Organization: Tata Steel Limitied, India
   - Position: Chief (Global Research Programmes) at Tata Steel Limited
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