

# SAMAN MOTAMED

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## EDUCATION

University of Toronto - Toronto, Canada

11/2021

**Master of Science:** Medical Science

- Thesis title : *A Semi-supervised Pipeline for Detection of Anomalies in Medical Images*
- CGPA: 4.0 / 4.0

University of Toronto - Toronto, Canada

11/2019

**Honors Bachelor of Science:** Computer Science

- Specialization in Machine Learning and Computer Vision
- Graduated with High Distinction (CGPA: 3.55 / 4.0)

## RESEARCH AND WORK EXPERIENCE

**Visiting Researcher** | KAUST - Thuwal, KSA

09/2022 - Current

I have joined the VCC group at KAUST, working with Wolfgang Heidrich on 3D reconstruction and view synthesis.

**Visiting Researcher** | Carnegie Mellon University - Pittsburgh, PA

08/2021 - 09/2022

Worked with Fernando De La Torre on harnessing the power of large pre-trained vision and language models for personalized tasks, mainly using generative models for novel image synthesis and inpainting.

**Summer Research Intern** | Vector Institute - Toronto, ON

06/2021 - 09/2021

Worked on self supervised methods for approximate nearest neighbor search and image copy detection.

**Machine Learning Researcher** | SickKids Hospital - Toronto, ON

04/2020 - 06/2021

- Developed a semi-supervised generative pipeline for data augmentation using synthetically generated data and anomaly detection in images.
- Worked on developing tools to aid explain inner workings of generative models for anomaly detection.

**Machine Learning Researcher** | Lunenfeld-Tanenbaum Research Institute - Toronto, ON

05/2018 - 04/2020

- Worked on transfer learning approaches for medical image segmentation.
- Developed anonymization tool for medical DICOM images.
- Developed GUI tool for loading pre-trained networks in real time to visualize segmentation prediction with option for user intervention.

**Research Student** | SickKids Hospital - Toronto, ON

12/2015 - 06/2016

- Worked with a team of Neuroscientists to develop an object recognition and movement analyzer to study video footage of mice, eliminating the need for human review on hours of video surveillance.

## PUBLICATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

Journal

- **Motamed, S.**, Rogalla, P., & Khalvati, F. Data Augmentation Using Generative Adversarial Networks (GANs) for GAN-based Detection of Pneumonia and COVID-19 in Chest X-ray Images, *Informatics in Medicine Unlocked*, Volume 27, 2021, 100779, ISSN 2352-9148.
- **Motamed, S.**, Rogalla, P., & Khalvati, F. RANDGAN: randomized generative adversarial network for detection of COVID-19 in chest X-ray. *Nature Scientific Reports*, 11, 8602 (2021).

#### Conference & Workshop

- C. Wu., **S. Motamed.**, S. Srivastava., F. De la Torre. Prompt Generation: Unified Distributional Control of Pre-trained Generative Vision Models (Accepted at NeurIPS 2022)
- **S. Motamed** and F. Khalvati, "Multi-class Generative Adversarial Networks: Improving One-class Classification of Pneumonia Using Limited Labeled Data," *2021 43rd Annual International Conference of the IEEE Engineering in Medicine & Biology Society (EMBC)*, 2021, pp. 3817-3822, doi: 10.1109/EMBC46164.2021.9629980.
- **S. Motamed** and F. Khalvati, "Inception-GAN for Semi-supervised Detection of Pneumonia in Chest X-rays," *2021 43rd Annual International Conference of the IEEE Engineering in Medicine & Biology Society (EMBC)*, 2021, pp. 3774-3778, doi: 10.1109/EMBC46164.2021.9630473.
- **Motamed, S.**, Rogalla, P., & Khalvati, F. (2020). *NeurIPS 2020 Conference*, Medical Imaging Meets NeurIPS workshop. Generative Adversarial Network for Detection of COVID-19 in Chest X-ray.

#### For now on Arxiv

- **Motamed, S.**, & Khalvati, F. (2021). Vanishing Twin GAN: How training a weak Generative Adversarial Network can improve semi-supervised image classification. *arXiv preprint arXiv:2103.02496*.
- **Motamed, S.**, Gujrathi, I., Deniffel, D., Oentoro, A., Haider, M. A., & Khalvati, F. (2019). A Transfer Learning Approach for Automated Segmentation of Prostate Whole Gland and Transition Zone in Diffusion Weighted MRI. *arXiv preprint arXiv:1909.09541*.

## HONORS AND AWARDS

- Nominated for Best Thesis Award, University of Toronto (TBD 2022).
- Institute of Medical Science U of T Open Fellowship Award (\$5,000) - 2021.
- Canada Graduate Scholarships – NSERC (\$17,500) - 2020.
- Mergelas Family Scholarship in Medical Imaging (\$5,000 - \$3,000) - 2019 & 2020.
- Dean's List Scholar (Summer 2015, Winter 2019, Summer 2019).
- Innis College Exceptional Achievement Award 2015-2016.

## TEACHING

### University of Toronto

- **CSC384** (Winter 2019 - Summer 2020): *Introduction to Artificial Intelligence*. Created assignments on constraint satisfaction and heuristic search and held office hours.
- **CSC420** (Fall 2019) : *Introduction to Image Understanding*. Created assignments on Neural Networks portion of the course. Held office hours and help sessions.
- **ESC180** (Fall 2019) : *An introductory course to programming concepts in Python* at the department of Engineering Science. Led weekly labs and help sessions.

## SERVICES

- Reviewer for Nature, ECCV, IEEE Access, MICCAI
- University of Toronto Equality, Diversity and Inclusion committee member (2020-2021)
- University of Toronto Computer Science mentorship program mentor (2019-2021)