Spyridon Thermos

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Research

Multimodal representation learning, generative models, synthesis, unsupervised/self-supervised learning for computer vision and medical image analysis.

Experience

Postdoctoral Researcher (Oct. 2019 - Present), *Institute for Digital Communications (IDCOM)*, THE UNIVERSITY OF EDINBURGH.

Disentangled representations, generative models, multimodal representation learning, medical imaging.

Research Assistant (Jan. 2018 - Sep. 2019), Information Technologies Institute, CENTRE FOR RESEARCH & TECHNOLOGY HELLAS

Research and development on full-body 3D reconstruction, 3D mesh compression, multi-RGB-D sensor calibration, and depth denoising; "VRTogether" EU project (Horizon 2020 Framework Programme for Innovation Action).

Research Assistant (Jan. 2017 - Dec. 2017), Information Technologies Institute, CENTRE FOR RESEARCH & TECHNOLOGY HELLAS

Research and development of deep neural networks for scene understanding and concept detection; "DANTE" EU project (Horizon 2020 Framework Programme for Research and Innovation).

Research Assistant (Jan. 2015 - Dec. 2016), Information Technologies Institute, CENTRE FOR RESEARCH & TECHNOLOGY HELLAS

Research and development of algorithms for emotion recognition by fusing facial and body features; "ProsocialLearn" EU project (Horizon 2020 Framework Programme for Research and Innovation).

Teaching Experience

Tutoring (Jan. 2020 - May 2020), THE UNIVERSITY OF EDINBURGH. Machine Learning in Signal Processing Course (MSc)

Teaching Assistant (May 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019), Dept. of Electrical and Computer Engineering, UNIVERSITY OF THESSALY, Volos, Greece.

Case studies (convolutional neural networks, recurrent neural networks) for the "Pattern Recognition (CE345)" undergraduate-level course.

Teaching Assistant (Sept. 2014 - Dec. 2014), Dept. of Electrical and Computer Engineering, UNIVERSITY OF THESSALY, Volos, Greece.

Helped with the design and evaluation of the semester project for the "Computer Architecture (CE432)" undergraduate-level course, as well as with grading the weekly assignments of the course.

Teaching Assistant (Sept. 2013 - Dec. 2013), Dept. of Electrical and Computer

Engineering, UNIVERSITY OF THESSALY, Volos, Greece.

Helped with the design and evaluation of the semester project for the "Computer Architecture (CE432)" undergraduate-level course, as well as with grading the weekly assignments of the course.

Education

Ph.D., May **2020**, Dept. of Electrical and Computer Engineering, UNIVERSITY OF THESSALY, Volos, Greece.

Advisors: Prof. Gerasimos Potamianos, Dr. Petros Daras. Thesis: "A Deep Learning Approach to 2D/3D Object Affordance Understanding"

M.Sc., July 2015, Dept. of Electrical and Computer Engineering, UNIVERSITY OF THESSALY, Volos, Greece. GPA: 9.94/10.0

Advisor: Prof. Gerasimos Potamianos. Thesis: "Voice Activity Detection Using Audio, Video and Depth Information"

Diploma, September **2013**, Dept. of Electrical and Computer Engineering, UNIVERSITY OF THESSALY, Volos, Greece. GPA: 6.59/10.0 *Advisor*: Prof. George Stamoulis. *Thesis*: "Finite Elements Code Acceleration for Mechanical Engineering Applications"

Publications

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- S. Thermos, P. Daras, G. Potamianos. "A deep learning approach to object affordance segmentation." In Proc. IEEE International Conference on Acoustics, Speech, and Signal Processing (ICASSP), 2020.
- **S. Thermos**, G.T. Papadopoulos, P. Daras, G. Potamianos. "Deep sensorimotor learning for RGB-D object recognition." Computer Vision and Image Understanding (CVIU), vol. 190 (4), Jan. 2020.
- V. Sterzentsenko*, L. Saroglou*, A. Chatzitofis*, **S. Thermos***, N. Zioulis*, A. Doumanoglou, D. Zarpalas, P. Daras. "Self-supervised deep depth denoising." In Proc. IEEE International Conference on Computer Vision (ICCV), 2019.
- **S. Thermos**, G. T. Papadopoulos, P. Daras and G. Potamianos. "Attention-enhanced sensorimotor object recognition." In Proc. IEEE International Conference on Image Processing (ICIP), 2018.
- F. Langenfeld, A. Axenopoulos, A. Chatzitofis, D. Cracium, P. Daras, B. Du, A. Giachetti, Y. Lai, H. Li, Y. Li, M. Masoumi, Y. Peng, P. L. Rosin, J. Sirugue, L. Sun, S. Thermos, M. Toews, Y. Wei, Y. Wu, Y. Zhai, T. Zhao, Y. Zheng, M. Montes. "SHREC'18 track: Protein shape retrieval." In Proc. Eurographics Workshop on 3D Object Retrieval, 2018.
- S. Thermos, G. T. Papadopoulos, P. Daras and G. Potamianos. "Deep affordance-grounded sensorimotor object recognition." In Proc. IEEE Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR), Honolulu, Hawaii, USA, 2017. (spotlight <19% acceptance)
- M. Savva, F. Yu, H. Su, A. Kanezaki, T. Furuya, R. Ohbuchi, Z. Zhou, R. Yu, S. Bai,

X. Bai, M. Aono, A. Tatsuma, **S. Thermos**, A. Axenopoulos, G. Th. Papadopoulos, P. Daras, X. Deng, Z. Lian, B. Li, H. Johan, Y. Lu, S. Mk. "SHREC'17 track: Large-scale 3D shape retrieval from ShapeNet Core55." In Proc. Eurographics Workshop on 3D Object Retrieval, 2017.

S. Thermos and G. Potamianos. "Audio-visual speech activity detection in a two-speaker scenario incorporating depth information from a profile or frontal view." In Proc. IEEE Workshop on Spoken Language Technology (SLT), San Diego, CA, 2016.

A. Psaltis, K. Kaza, K. Stefanidis, **S. Thermos**, K. Apostolakis, K. Dimitropoulos, P. Daras. "Multimodal active state recognition in serious games applications." In Proc. IEEE International Conference on Imaging Systems and Techniques (IST), Chania, Greece, 2016.

K. Kaza, A. Psaltis, K. Stefanidis, K. Apostolakis, S. Thermos, K. Dimitropoulos, P. Daras. "Body motion analysis for emotion recognition in serious games." In Proc. HCI International, Toronto, Canada, 2016

K. Apostolakis, K. Kaza, A. Psaltis, K. Stefanidis, **S. Thermos**, K. Dimitropoulos, E. Dimaraki, P. Daras. "Path of Trust: A prosocial co-op game for building up trust- worthiness and teamwork." In Proc. Games and Learning Alliance: Fourth International Conference (GALA), Rome, Italy, 2015.

Book Chapters

G. Potamianos, E. Marcheret, Y. Mroueh, V. Goel, A. Koumbaroulis, A. Vartholomaios, S. Thermos, "Chapter: Audio and visual modality combination in speech processing applications - The Handbook of Multimodal-Multisensor Interfaces: Foundations, User Modeling, and Common Modality Combinations - Volume 1", ISBN 978-1-97000-167-9, 2017

Honors

Best Demo Award with the VRTogether demo at the MultiMedia Modeling Conference (January 2019)

Programming Skills

Programming Languages: Extensive experience in C, C++, Lua, Python; good working knowledge of C#, CUDA.

Deep Learning Frameworks: Extensive experience in Torch, PyTorch, TensorFlow, Keras 2.

Software IDEs: Extensive experience in Microsoft Visual Studio, Eclipse; good working knowledge of Matlab, GNU Octave.
Software: Git, FFMPEG, SoX.

Github & Web Site

https://github.com/spthermo https://spthermo.github.io/

Language Skills Greek native.

English, fluent (TOEFL internet-based 97/120.) German, some knowledge (Zertifikat B1).

Personal

Born in 1989; Greek Citizenship.

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