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# SUMMARY \_\_\_\_\_

I am a third-year PhD Student aiming to make real-time Virtual Reality (VR) realistic through a deeper understanding of human vision.

# EDUCATION \_\_\_\_\_

UNIVERSITÀ DELLA SVIZZERA ITALIANA

2020 - current PhD in Informatics Lugano, Switzerland

Concentration: Computer Graphics and Human Visual Perception

KOREA ADVANCED INSTITUTE FOR SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (KAIST) 2017 - 2019

Daejeon, South Korea

Lugano, Switzerland

2017 - 2019

2016 - 2017

Islamabad, Pakistan

MS in Electrical Engineering

Concentration: Visual Computing and Machine Learning

**CGPA**: 4.0/4.3

KAIST Graduate Fellowship Awardee

NATIONAL UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCES AND TECHNOLOGY (NUST)

2013 - 2017 BS in Electrical Engineering Islamabad, Pakistan

Concentration: Digital Systems and Signal Processing

**CGPA**: 3.83/4.0

Merit Scholarship Awardee (Top 3% of class)

### EXPERIENCE

DOCTORAL RESEARCH ASSISTANT 2020 - current

Perception, Display and Fabrication Group - USI

Mentor: Dr. Piotr Didyk

Working on understanding human visual perception in immersive environments to

improve real-time rendering for VR-headsets

GRADUATE RESEARCH ASSISTANT

Video and Image Computing Lab - KAIST Daejeon, South Korea

Mentor: Dr. Munchurl Kim

Worked on integrating applied perception with the Deep Learning pipeline for

Perception-Oriented Image Super-Resolution

UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH ASSISTANT

Neuroinformatics Research Group - NUST SEECS Islamabad, Pakistan

Mentor: Dr. Awais Kamboh

Designed a real-time signal processing algorithm for neural spike detection and sorting. The algorithm was designed for future implantable neural chips for neuro-prosthetics and

rehabilitation

DIGITAL DESIGN INTERN 7/2015 - 8/2015

Center for Advanced Research in Engineering (CARE)

Worked on the the design for a digital architecture for an automatic gain control (AGC) for

software-defined radio's

# Knowledge Areas \_\_\_\_\_

Visual Computing, Machine Learning, Applied Perception, Signal Processing

### **Publications**

#### Noise-based Enhancement for Foveated Rendering

ACM Transactions on Graphics (SIGGRAPH 2022) Taimoor Tariq, Cara Tarhan Tursun and Piotr Didyk

#### Why are Deep Representations Good Perceptual Quality Features?

European Conference on Computer Vision (ECCV 2020) Taimoor Tariq, Okan Tarhan Tursun, Munchurl Kim and Piotr Didyk

A HVS inspired Attention to Improve Loss Metrics for Perception-Oriented Super-Resolution International Conference on Computer Vision Workshops (ICCVW 2019)
Taimoor Tariq, Juan Luis Gonzalez Bello and Munchurl Kim

# Computationally efficient fully-automatic online neural spike detection and sorting in presence of multi-unit activity for implantable circuits

Computer Methods and Programs in Biomedicine, 2019

Taimoor Tariq, Muhammad Hashim Satti, Hamid Mehmood Kamboh, Maryam Saeed and Awais Mehmood Kamboh

Low SNR Neural Spike Detection using Scaled Energy Operators for Implantable Brain Circuits IEEE Engineering in Medicine and Biology Conference (EMBC 2017)
Taimoor Tarig, Muhammad Hashim Satti, Maryam Saeed and Awais Mehmood Kamboh