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## Research Interests

My research interests are in the broad areas of computer vision and machine learning, with a focus on deep learning. I am particularly interested in the use of mid-level representations to bridge the gap between bottom-up and top-down processing and solve problems such as object detection, segmentation and grouping. I have devoted a large part of my research on recovering such representations, medial axes and object parts in particular, in natural and medical images.

## Education

**CentraleSupélec** Jan. 2016  
Ph.D. in Mathematics and Computer Science  
Thesis: Mid-level Representations for Modeling Objects  
Advisor: Iasonas Kokkinos

**National Technical University of Athens** Sep. 2011  
Diploma in Electrical and Computer Engineering  
Thesis: Learning-Based Symmetry Detection in Natural Images  
Advisors: Petros Maragos, Iasonas Kokkinos

## Peer-reviewed Conference Publications

- AMAT: Medial Axis Transform for Natural Images, *ICCV 2017*  
**S. Tsogkas**, S. Dickinson
- Prior-based Coregistration and Cosegmentation, *MICCAI 2016*  
M. Shakeri\*, E. Ferrante\*, **S. Tsogkas**, S. Lippe, S. Kadoury, I. Kokkinos, N. Paragios (\* denotes equal contribution)
- Subcortical Brain Structure Segmentation Using FCNNs, *ISBI 2016 (oral)*  
**S. Tsogkas\***, M. Shakeri\*, E. Ferrante, S. Lippe, S. Kadoury, N. Paragios, I. Kokkinos (\* denotes equal contribution)
- Accurate Human-Limb Segmentation in RGB-D images for Intelligent Mobility Assistance Robots  
*ICCV 2015 3<sup>rd</sup> Workshop on Assistive Computer Vision and Robotics*  
S. Chandra, **S. Tsogkas**, I. Kokkinos
- Deformable Part Models with CNN Features,  
*ECCV 2014 Parts and Attributes workshop*  
P.-A. Savalle, **S. Tsogkas**, G. Papandreou and I. Kokkinos
- Superpixel-grounded Deformable Part Models, *CVPR 2014*  
E. Trulls, **S. Tsogkas**, I. Kokkinos, A. Sanfeliu, F. Moreno
- Understanding Objects in Detail with Fine-grained Attributes, *CVPR 2014*  
A. Vedaldi, S. Mahendran, **S. Tsogkas**, S. Maji, B. Girshick, J. Kannala, E. Rahtu, I. Kokkinos, M. B. Blaschko, D. Weiss, B. Taskar, K. Simonyan, N. Saphra, S. Mohamed
- Learning-Based Symmetry Detection in Natural Images, *ECCV 2012*  
**S. Tsogkas**, I. Kokkinos

Reports	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• ICCV 2017 Challenge: Detecting Symmetry in the Wild (editorial), <i>Detecting symmetry in the wild workshop, ICCV 2017</i> Chris Funk*, Seungkyu Lee*, Martin R. Oswald*, <b>Stavros Tsogkas*</b>, Wei Shen, Andrea Cohen, Sven Dickinson, Yanxi Liu (* denotes equal contribution)</li><li>• Deep Learning for Semantic Part Segmentation with High-Level Guidance, <i>arXiv report</i> <b>S. Tsogkas</b>, I. Kokkinos, G. Papandreou, A. Vedaldi</li></ul>
Research Experience	<div><div>University of Toronto</div><div>Oct. 2016 - present</div><div>Postdoctoral fellow, Computer Science Department Supervisor: Sven Dickinson</div></div> <div><div>CentraleSupélec</div><div>Jan. 2016 - Aug. 2016</div><div>Research engineer, CVN lab Supervisor: Nikos Paragios <i>Convolutional neural networks for semantic segmentation of organs in computed tomography scans.</i></div></div> <div><div>Oxford University (Visual Geometry Group)</div><div>Aug.-Nov. 2014</div><div>Research intern Supervisor: Andrea Vedaldi. <i>Combined convolutional neural networks and restricted boltzmann machines for semantic segmentation of object parts.</i></div></div>
Teaching Experience	<div><div>Teaching assistant (CentraleSupélec)</div><div>2011-2015</div><div><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Signal Processing (undegrad course).</li><li>• Computer Vision (undegrad course).</li><li>• Machine Learning for Computer Vision (MVA master course)</li></ul></div></div> <div><div>Invited lecturer (CentraleSupélec/ESSEC)</div><div>2016</div><div>MSc in Data Science and Business Analytics Seminar on deep learning theory and tools.</div></div>
Professional Activities	<div><div>Reviewer, IEEE TPAMI, IJCV, CVIU, IMAVIS, IEEE ICCV, IEEE CVPR, ECCV, ICVGIP, Morgan &amp; Claypool Synthesis lectures on Computer Vision</div><div><b>Co-organizer</b> of the “Detecting Symmetry in the Wild” workshop, in conjunction with ICCV 2017, Venice, Italy.</div><div><b>Treasurer</b>, IEEE NTUA Student Branch 2010-2011</div><div><b>Chairman</b>, IEEE NTUA Student Branch 2011-2012</div><div><b>Student member</b> IEEE 2012-2015</div></div>
Programming Skills	MATLAB, C/C++, Lua, Latex, Caffe, MatConvNet, Torch.
Distinctions	Outstanding reviewer award (ECCV 2016)
Citizenship	Greek
Languages	English (fluent), French (proficient), Greek (native).