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RESEARCH EXPERTISE

Computer Vision, Image Processing, Machine Learning, Multi-Modal Object & Face Detection

EDUCATION

Northwestern University, EVANSTON, IL USA

09/2011 - 06/2016

Ph.D., Electrical Engineering & Computer Science

- Thesis: Sparse Representation and Deep Learning for Image and Video Reconstruction
- Advisor: Aggelos K. Katsaggelos

University of Bath, BATH, UK

09/2008 - 09/2009

M.S., Computer Science

University of Piraeus, PIRAEUS, GREECE

09/2003 - 06/2008

B.S., Digital Systems

EMPLOYMENT

Apple, CUPERTINO, CA USA

01/2022 - Present

Senior Research Engineer

- iOS 17 contributions
 - Model development for individual pet recognition and detection in photos app
 - Model development for visual effects in video calls triggered by hand gestures

Clarifai, SAN FRANCISCO, CA USA

01/2020 - 01/2022

Senior Research Scientist

- Currently working on a face detection/landmarks model based on RetinaFace
 - Train on a dataset that consists of 250K images with 1M bboxes and 0.5M face landmarks
 - Enable distributed multi-node training on Kubeflow for faster experimentation/iteration
- Built a face recognition model for verification and search
 - Developed face embeddings model based on ArcFace using 8M face images
 - Evaluated model on several face verification test datasets
 - Model improved on the true positive rate by about 5% overall and on extreme poses specifically by around 60%
- Designed a new face demographics predictor with a focus on reducing bias across classes
 - Collected face demographics dataset with age, gender and ethnicity labels
 - Evaluated neural network across different test datasets to measure bias on different groups
- Developed a movie scene detector for a major media company
 - Used MinimumCut algorithm to find scene boundaries
 - Evaluated features from different state-of-the-art neural networks

Vidado.ai, OAKLAND, CA USA

08/2017 - 01/2020

Senior Research Engineer

• Developed a deep learning system for table and key-value detection in scanned documents

- Developed a large-scale image classification system for noisy scanned form documents using oneshot learning (filed a patent)
- Implemented a robust near-duplicate document retrieval system (filed a patent)

Sony US Research Center, SAN JOSE, CA USA

08/2016 - 08/2017

Research Scientist

- Researched the semantic segmentation problem for Sony mobility products
- Designed an end-to-end FCN-CRF network for boundary refinement
- Improved semantic segmentation run-time by applying knowledge distillation loss

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

Google scholar: scholar.google.com/citations?user=eitRqV0AAAAJ&hl=en

Michael Iliadis, Leonidas Spinoulas and Aggelos K. Katsaggelos. DeepBinaryMask: Learning a Binary Mask for Video Compressive Sensing. Elsevier Digital Signal Processing, January 2020.

Alice Lucas, **Michael Iliadis**, Rafael Molina and Aggelos K. Katsaggelos. Using Deep Neural Networks for Inverse Problems in Imaging. *IEEE Signal Processing Magazine (SPM)*, January 2018.

Michael Iliadis, Leonidas Spinoulas and Aggelos K. Katsaggelos. Deep Fully-Connected Networks for Video Compressive Sensing. Elsevier Digital Signal Processing, January 2018.

Michael Iliadis, Haohong Wang, Rafael Molina and Aggelos K. Katsaggelos. Robust and Low-Rank Representation for Fast Face Identification with Occlusions. *IEEE Transactions on Image Processing (TIP)*, May 2017.

Michael Iliadis, Leonidas Spinoulas, Albert S. Berahas, Haohong Wang and Aggelos K. Katsaggelos. Multi-Model Robust Error Correction for Face Recognition. *IEEE International Conference on Image Processing (ICIP)*, Phoenix, USA, September 2016.

Michael Iliadis, Jeremy Watt, Leonidas Spinoulas and Aggelos K. Katsaggelos. Video Compressive Sensing using Multiple Measurement Vectors. *IEEE International Conference on Image Processing (ICIP)*, Melbourne, Australia, September 2013. **Top 10% Paper Recognition**

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Northwestern University

TA OF IAN D. HORSWILL, Data Structures and Data Management, Spring '15 and '16 TA OF MICHAEL HONIG, Engineering Analysis I, Fall '15

Computer Skills

- Programming Languages: Python, C++
- Machine Learning / Computer Vision: Tensorflow, PyTorch, OpenCV
- DevOps: AWS, Docker, Kubernetes

Professional Service

Reviewer: International Journal of Computer Vision, IEEE Transactions on Multimedia, IEEE Transactions on Image Processing, IEEE Access, Elsevier Digital Signal Processing, EURASIP Journal on Advances in Signal Processing