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EDUCATION

PhD in Computer Vision and Machine Learning, 2012

LEAR (now THOTH) – INRIA Grenoble and CNRS GREYC – University of Caen, France

Advisors: Dr. Cordelia Schmid (INRIA) and Prof. Frederic Jurie (CNRS/UniCaen/ENSICAEN)

Jury: Dr. Patrick Perez (Technicolor/INRIA), Dr. Florent Perronnin (XRCE), Prof. Jean Ponce (ENS)

Integrated Master of Technology in Mathematics and Computing, 2008

Indian Institute of Technology Delhi (IIT Delhi), India

Advisors: Prof. S. Chaudhury (EE, IIT Delhi), Prof. J. B. Srivastava (Maths, IIT Delhi)

EMPLOYMENT

11/2017 – *Researcher, Media Analytics Group, NEC Labs America, CA, USA*

04/2016 – 08/2017 *Assistant Professor, CSE, IIT Kanpur, India*

01/2015 – 03/2016 *Post doctoral fellow, MPI for Informatics, Saarbrücken, Germany, Host: Prof. Dr. Bernt Schiele*

05/2013 – 11/2014 *Researcher, Exploratory Research Group, Technicolor R&I, Rennes, France, Host: Dr. Patrick Perez*

12/2012 – 05/2013 *Researcher, CNRS GREYC, University of Caen, France, Host: Prof. Frederic Jurie*

09/2008 – 09/2009 *Senior Engineer, Technology Planning Group, Samsung Delhi R&D, India*

INTERNSHIP/VISITS

11/2014 – 01/2015 *Visiting Researcher, CNRS GREYC, University of Caen, France, Host: Prof. Frederic Jurie*

06/2008 – 07/2008 *Research Engineer in Multimedia Lab, IIT Delhi, India, Host: Prof. Santanu Chaudhury*

12/2006 – 04/2007 *Winter Intern, Webaroo Inc., Delhi, India*

05/2006 – 07/2006 *Project Trainee/Intern, CGI Ltd., Bangalore, India*

05/2004 – 07/2004 *Summer Intern, VirtualWire Technologies, TBIU, IIT Delhi, India*

PUBLICATIONS

Refereed Journals

- J3. K. Sikka, G. Sharma, Discriminatively Trained Latent Ordinal Model for Video Classification, *IEEE Transactions on Pattern Analysis and Machine Intelligence (TPAMI)*, 2017 (accepted, to appear), *preprint arXiv:1608.02318*
- J2. G. Sharma, F. Jurie, C. Schmid, Expanded Parts Model for Semantic Description of Humans in Still Images, *IEEE Transactions on Pattern Analysis and Machine Intelligence (TPAMI)*, 39(1):87–101, 2017
- J1. G. Sharma, F. Jurie, Local Higher-Order Statistics (LHS) Describing images with statistics of local non-binarized pixel patterns, *International Journal on Computer Vision and Image Understanding (CVIU)*, 142:13–22, 2016

Refereed Conferences

- C20. A. Kar, N. Rai, K. Sikka, G. Sharma, AdaScan: Adaptive Scan Pooling in Deep Convolutional Neural Networks for Human Action Recognition in Videos, *Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR)* (preprint *arXiv:1611.08240*), Hawaii, USA, July 2017
- C19. S. K. Ramakrishnan, A. Pal, G. Sharma, A. Mittal, An Empirical Evaluation of Visual Question Answering for Novel Objects, *Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR)* (preprint *arXiv:1704.02516*), Hawaii, USA, July 2017
- C18. Fast Localization of Autonomous Vehicles using Discriminative Metric Learning, A. Pensia, G. Sharma, J. McBride, G. Pandey, *Conference on Computer and Robot Vision (CRV)*, Alberta, Canada, May 2017
- C17. B. Bhattarai, G. Sharma, F. Jurie, Deep Fusion of Visual Signatures for Client-Server Facial Analysis, *Indian Conf. on Vision Graphics and Image Processing (ICVGIP)*, Guwahati, India, Dec 2016 (**Best Paper Award Runner Up**)
- C16. K. Sikka, G. Sharma, M. Bartlett, LOMo: Latent Ordinal Model for Facial Analysis in Videos, *Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR)*, Las Vegas, NV, USA, June 2016 (**Spotlight presentation**)
- C15. Y. Xian, Z. Akata, G. Sharma, Q. Nguyen, M. Hein, B. Schiele, Latent Embeddings for Zero-shot Classification, *Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR)*, Las Vegas, NV, USA, June 2016 (**Spotlight presentation**)

- C14. B. Bhattarai, G. Sharma, F. Jurie, CP-mtML: Coupled Projection multi-task Metric Learning for Large Scale Face Retrieval, *Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR)*, Las Vegas, NV, USA, June 2016
- C13. B. Bhattarai, G. Sharma, A. Lechervy, F. Jurie, A Joint Learning Approach for Cross Domain Age Estimation, *International Conference on Acoustics, Speech and Signal Processing (ICASSP)*, Shanghai, China, 2016 (**Best Student Paper Award** of Image, Video and Multidimensional Signal Processing)
- C12. G. Sharma, B. Schiele, Scalable Nonlinear Embeddings for Semantic Category-based Image Retrieval, *International Conference on Computer Vision (ICCV)*, Santiago, Chile, Dec 2015
- C11. G. Sharma, F. Jurie, P. Perez, EPML: Expanded Parts based Metric Learning for Occlusion Robust Face Verification, *Asian Conference on Computer Vision (ACCV)*, Singapore, Nov 2014
- C10. P. Kulkarni, G. Sharma, J. Zepeda, L. Chevallier, Transfer Learning via Attributes for Improved On-the-fly Classification, *Winter Conference on Applications of Computer Vision (WACV)*, Colorado, USA, Mar 2014
- C9. G. Sharma, F. Jurie, C. Schmid, Expanded Parts Model for Human Attribute and Action Recognition in Still Images, *Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR)*, Oregon, Portland, USA, June 2013
- C8. G. Sharma, F. Jurie, A Novel Approach for Efficient SVM Classification with Histogram Intersection Kernel, *British Machine Vision Conference (BMVC)*, Bristol, UK, Sep 2013 (**Oral presentation**; 7% acceptance rate)
- C7. G. Sharma, S. ul Hussain, F. Jurie, Local Higher-Order Statistics (LHS) for Texture Categorization and Facial Analysis, *European Conference on Computer Vision (ECCV)*, Florence, Italy, October 2012
- C6. G. Sharma, F. Jurie, C. Schmid, Discriminative spatial saliency for image classification, *Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR)*, Providence, RI, USA, June 2012
- C5. G. Sharma, F. Jurie Learning discriminative spatial representation for image classification *British Machine Vision Conference (BMVC)*, Dundee, UK, Sep 2011 (**Oral presentation**; 8% acceptance rate)
- C4. A. Dhall, G. Sharma, R. Bhatt, G. M. Khan, Adaptive digital makeup, *International Symposium on Visual Computing (ISVC)*, Las Vegas, NV, USA, November 2009
- C3. G. Sharma, A. Dhall, S. Chaudhury, R. Bhatt, Hierarchical System for Categorization and Orientation Detection of Consumer Images, *International Conference on Pattern Recognition and Machine Intelligence (PReMI)*, Delhi, India, December 2009
- C2. G. Sharma, S. Chaudhury, J. B. Srivastava, Bag-of-Features Kernel Eigen Spaces for Classification, *International Conference on Pattern Recognition (ICPR)*, Tampa, FL, USA, December 2008
- C1. G. Sharma, S. Chaudhury, J. B. Srivastava, Object Detection as Statistical Test of Hypothesis, *Indian Conference on Vision Graphics and Image Processing (ICVGIP)*, Orissa, India, December 2008

Refereed International Workshops

- W5. G. Sharma, P. Perez, Latent Max-margin Metric Learning for Comparing Video Face Tubes, *Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR), Biometrics Workshop*, Boston, USA, Jun 2015 (**Best Paper award**)
- W4. B. Bhattarai, G. Sharma, F. Jurie, P. Perez, Some Faces are More Equal than Others: Hierarchical Organization for Accurate and Efficient Large-scale Identity-based Face Retrieval, *European Conference on Computer Vision (ECCV) Workshops*, Zurich, Switzerland, Sep 2014
- W3. A. Choudhary, G. Sharma, S. Chaudhury, S. Banerjee, Distributed Calibration of Pan-Tilt Camera Network using Multi-Layered Belief Propagation, *Workshop on Camera Networks, Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR)*, San Francisco, CA, USA, June 2010
- W2. G. Sharma, R. Garg, S. Chaudhury, Curvature Feature Distribution based Classification of Indian Scripts from Document Images, *International Workshop on Multilingual OCR, International Conference on Document Analysis and Recognition (ICDAR)*, Barcelona, Spain, July 2009
- W1. L. Dey, M. Abulaish, Mr. Jahiruddin and G. Sharma, Text Mining through Entity-Relationship Based Information Extraction, *Workshop on Bio-Med. Appl. of Web Tech., IEEE/WIC/ACM Intl. conf. on Web Intelligence and Intl. Agent Tech.*, Silicon Valley, CA, USA, 2007

Technical Reports

- TR1. G. Sharma, F. Jurie, P. Perez, Learning Nonlinear SVM in Input Space for Image Classification, *HAL Technical report, hal-00977304*, 2014

PATENT APPLICATIONS

- P7. G. Sharma, P. Perez, Method for Summarizing Large Video Collections, Patent application, 2015 (Technicolor)

- P6. H. Guermoud, G. Sharma, J. Zepeda, Improving and Reranking Image Retrieval Results using 3D views, Patent application, 2015 (Technicolor)
- P5. G. Sharma, P. Perez, Comparing Video Face Tubes using Latent Max-margin Metric Learning, Patent application, 2015 (Technicolor)
- P4. P. Kulkarni, G. Sharma, J. Zepeda, L. Chevallier, Transfer Learning via Attributes for Improved On-the-fly Classification, Patent application, 2014 (Technicolor)
- P3. G. Sharma, A. Dhall, R. Bhatt, S. Chaudhury, Method and system for content based image categorization, US patent application 12/947,975 and Indian patent application 2818/CHE/2009 (Samsung)
- P2. G. Sharma, A. Dhall, R. Bhatt, S. Chaudhury, Method and system for orienting a disoriented image, US patent application 12/950,556 and Indian patent application 2868/CHE/2009 (Samsung)
- P1. G. Sharma, Automatic/user-controlled selective-region-of-interest based in-camera image processing/enhancement, Indian patent application 2073/KOL/2008 (Samsung)

TEACHING

- 01/2017 – 05/2017 Instructor, *CS698U: Topics in Computer Vision* (42 students), IIT Kanpur
- 01/2017 – 01/2017 Deep Learning Short Course (100 attendees), 3×1.5h Lectures, IIT Kanpur
- 07/2016 – 11/2016 Instructor, *CS698N: Advanced Topics in Computer Vision* (37 students), IIT Kanpur
- 07/2016 – 07/2016 Deep Learning Summer School (120 attendees), 2×1.5h Lectures, IIIT Hyderabad
- 03 – 04 & 09/2006 TA for OS Course and Lab (25 students), 2×60h, Embedded Systems Course, FITT, IIT Delhi

SPONSORED AND CONSULTANCY PROJECTS

- ◇ PI – *Multimodal Methods and Systems for Vision and Language*, Early Career Research Award (ECRA), Science and Engineering Research Board (SERB), Govt. of India, INR 28 lacs / USD 40k, 2016
- ◇ PI – *In-vehicle Vision Applications*, Hitachi India Ltd., INR 14 lacs / USD 20k, 2016
- ◇ PI – *Analyzing Data For Driver Safety Mobile Application*, Kruzr Inc., INR 2.16 lacs / USD 3k, 2016

HONORS AND AWARDS

- ◇ Outstanding Reviewer Award at British Machine Vision Conference (BMVC), 2017
- ◇ Best Paper Award Runner Up at Indian Conference on Computer Vision, Graphics and Image Processing, 2016
- ◇ Early Career Research Award (ECRA) by Science and Engineering Research Board (SERB), Department of Science and Technology (DST), Government of India, 2016
- ◇ Best Student Paper Award of Image, Video and Multidimensional Signal Processing (primary author B. Bhattarai) at International Conference on Acoustics, Speech and Signal Processing (ICASSP), 2016
- ◇ Outstanding Reviewer Award at International Conference on Computer Vision (ICCV), 2015
- ◇ Best Paper Award at Workshop on Biometrics at IEEE Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR) 2015, Boston, MA, USA
- ◇ Max Planck Institute (MPI) Post Doctoral Fellowship, 2015
- ◇ Joint winner and runner up of PASCAL VOC 2010 and 2011 (resp.) Action Recognition from Still Images Challenges
- ◇ 3 years funding for PhD by French National Research Agency (ANR), 2009
- ◇ INRIA Summer School on Computer Vision and Machine Learning, 2010
- ◇ Certificate of excellence by Samsung Delhi R&D for contribution to Patent Generation Program, 2009
- ◇ All India Rank 936 in IIT Joint Entrance Exam 2003 out of 175,000 students
- ◇ Letter of appreciation from National Council for Education Research and Training (NCERT) for clearing written stages of National Talent Search Examination (NTSE)
- ◇ Center for Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR) Program for Youth Leadership in Science (CPYLS)

STUDENT (CO-)SUPERVISION AND COLLABORATION

Bachelors students

Vinayak Tantia, Indian Institute of Technology Kanpur

Amlan Kar, Indian Institute of Technology Kanpur
Nishant Rai, Indian Institute of Technology Kanpur
Shubham Jain, Indian Institute of Technology Kanpur
Rahul Gupta, Indian Institute of Technology Kanpur
Ambar Pal, Indraprastha Institute of Information Technology Delhi

Masters students

Ankit Pensia, Indian Institute of Technology Kanpur
Rahul Sharma, Indian Institute of Technology Kanpur
Santhosh Kumar, Indian Institute of Technology Madras
Yongqin Xian, from University of Saarland at Max Planck Institute for Informatics
Praveen Kulkarni, from Technical University Darmstadt, Germany at Technicolor, France
Paul Martin, CNRS GREYC, University of Caen, France, 2013

PhD students

Neeraj Matiyali, Indian Institute of Technology Kanpur
Kranti Kumar Parida, Indian Institute of Technology Kanpur
Prem Raj, Indian Institute of Technology Kanpur
Siddharth Srivastava, Indian Institute of Technology Delhi
Karan Sikka, University of California San Diego
Yongqin Xian, Max Planck Institute for Informatics
Binod Bhattarai, CNRS GREYC, University of Caen, France

SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY

Proposal Reviewer

Science and Engineering Research Board (SERB), Government of India, 2016
Indo-French Centre for the Promotion of Advanced Research, 2016

Journal Reviewer

International Journal of Computer Vision (IJCV), 2015, 2016
IEEE Transactions on Image Processing (TIP), 2015, 2017
Computer Vision and Image Understanding (CVIU), 2014, 2015, 2016
Image and Vision Computing (IVC), 2013, 2014, 2015
IEEE Transactions on Affective Computing (TAFFC), 2015
Pattern Recognition (PR), 2016
Pattern Recognition Letters (PRL), 2014
Neurocomputing (NC), 2016
Machine Vision and Applications (MVAP), 2017

Conference Reviewer/Program Committee

Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR), 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017
International Conference on Computer Vision (ICCV), 2015, 2017
Neural Information Processing Systems (NIPS), 2016, 2017
European Conference on Computer Vision (ECCV), 2014, 2016
Asian Conference on Computer Vision (ACCV), 2014, 2016
British Machine Vision Conference (BMVC), 2016, 2017
International Conference on Artificial Intelligence and Statistics (AISTATS), 2017

Indian Conference on Vision Graphics and Image Processing (ICVGIP), 2016

International Conference on Pattern Recognition (ICPR), 2014

Workshop Program Committee

Emotion Recognition in the Wild Challenge and Workshop, 2014, 2015 (with ICMI)

Computer Vision for Affective Computing, 2014 (with ACCV), 2015 (with ICCV)

TECHNICAL TALKS

Google India, Bangalore, 2017

Hitachi R&D India, Bangalore, 2017

Indraprastha Institute of Information Technology Delhi (Guest Lecture), 2017

Indian Institute of Technology Kanpur (Short Course), 2017

Indian Conference on Computer Vision, Graphics and Image Processing (ICVGIP), IIT Guwahati, 2016

Bosch Research India, Bangalore, 2016

Intel Research India, Bangalore, 2016

Samsung Research India, Delhi (SRI Delhi), 2016

International Institute of Information Technology, Hyderabad, (IIITH Summer School), 2016

Indian Institute of Science (IISc), 2016

Xerox Research Center India (XRCI), 2016

Indraprastha Institute of Information Technology Delhi (IIIT Delhi), India, 2015

GREYC CNRS, University of Caen, France, 2016

IBM India Research Lab, Delhi, 2015

Innovation Labs, Tata Consultancy Services (TCS iLabs), Delhi, India, 2015

Indian Institute of Technology Kanpur (IIT Kanpur), 2015

Indian Institute of Technology Delhi (IIT Delhi), 2015

Indraprastha Institute of Information Technology Delhi (IIIT Delhi), India, 2015

Max Planck Institute for Informatics (MPI-Inf), Germany, 2014

Indian Institute of Technology Delhi (IIT Delhi), 2014

Jawaharlal Nehru University (JNU), New Delhi, India, 2014

British Machine Vision Conference (BMVC), University of Bristol, UK, 2013

Xerox Research Center Europe (XRCE), Grenoble, France, 2013

Technicolor Research and Innovation, Rennes, France, 2013

National Research Institute for Computer Science and Automation (INRIA) Paris, France, 2012

British Machine Vision Conference (BMVC), University of Dundee, UK, 2011

REFERENCES

Available on request

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