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## Research Interests

Object recognition; scene interpretation; joint understanding of images and text; big visual data; deep learning

## Education

- May 2006     **Ph.D.** in Computer Science  
University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign  
Advisor: Dr. Jean Ponce  
Dissertation title: *Local, Semi-Local and Global Models for Texture, Object and Scene Recognition*
- Dec 2002     **M.S.** in Computer Science  
University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
- June 2000     **B.S.** in Computer Science with Mathematics Minor (Graduation with Highest Honors)  
DePaul University, Chicago, IL

## Academic Employment

- Aug. 2020 - present     **Professor**
- Aug. 2014 - Aug. 2020   **Associate Professor**
- Jan. 2012 - Aug. 2014   **Assistant Professor**  
Dept. of Computer Science, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
- July 2007 - Dec. 2011   **Assistant Professor**  
Dept. of Computer Science, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
- May 2006 - July 2007   **Post-Doctoral Research Associate**
- June 2001 - May 2006   **Research Assistant**  
Dept. of Computer Science, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

## Selected Awards and Honors

- 2021             University Scholar Award, U of Illinois
- 2021             IEEE Fellow
- 2020             Donald Biggar Willett Faculty Scholar Award, U of Illinois
- 2020, 2013       Dean's Award for Excellence in Research  
College of Engineering, U of Illinois
- 2017             Distinguished Alumni Educator Award, CS@Illinois
- 2016             Longuet-Higgins Prize at CVPR 2016  
Awarded for CVPR 2006 paper with significant impact on computer vision research
- 2013             Sloan Research Fellowship
- 2013             C.W. Gear Outstanding Junior Faculty Award, CS@Illinois
- 2012, 2010, 2007   CVPR Outstanding Reviewer Award
- 2011             DARPA Computer Science Study Group Member
- 2009             Microsoft Research Faculty Fellowship
- 2008             NSF CAREER Award
- 2008             Teaching Award, UNC Computer Science Student Association
- 2003             David J. Kuck Best Master's Thesis Award, CS@Illinois

## Publications

### Journal Articles

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- Z.-S. Hung, A. Mallya, and S. Lazebnik, “Contextual Translation Embedding for Visual Relationship Detection and Scene Graph Generation,” *IEEE Transactions on Pattern Analysis and Machine Intelligence*, 2020.
- L. Wang, Y. Li, and S. Lazebnik, “Learning Two-Branch Neural Networks for Image-Text Matching Tasks,” *IEEE Transactions on Pattern Analysis and Machine Intelligence*, vol. 41, no. 2, February 2019, pp. 394-407 .
- T. Tommasi, A. Mallya, B. Plummer, S. Lazebnik, A. Berg, and T. Berg, “Combining Multiple Cues for Visual Madlibs Question Answering,” *International Journal of Computer Vision*, vol. 127, January 2019, pp. 38-60.
- B. Plummer, L. Wang, C. Cervantes, J. Caicedo, J. Hockenmaier, and S. Lazebnik, “Flickr30k Entities: Collecting Region-to-Phrase Correspondences for Richer Image-to-Sentence Models,” *International Journal of Computer Vision*, vol. 123, no. 1, May 2017, pp. 74-93.
- J. Tighe, M. Niethammer, and S. Lazebnik, “Scene Parsing with Object Instance Inference Using Regions and Per-exemplar Detectors,” *International Journal of Computer Vision*, vol. 112, no. 2 (Special Issue on Scene Understanding), April 2015, pp. 150-171.
- Y. Gong, Q. Ke, M. Isard, and S. Lazebnik, “A Multi-View Embedding Space for Modeling Internet Images, Tags, and Their Semantics,” arXiv:1212.4522, *International Journal of Computer Vision*, vol. 106, no. 2, January 2014, pp. 210-233.
- A. Gordo, F. Perronnin, Y. Gong, and S. Lazebnik, “Asymmetric Distances from Binary Embeddings,” *IEEE Transactions on Pattern Analysis and Machine Intelligence*, vol. 36, no. 1, January 2014, pp. 33-47.
- Y. Gong, S. Lazebnik, Y. Gordo, and F. Perronnin, “Iterative Quantization: A Procrustean Approach to Learning Binary Codes for Large-Scale Image Retrieval,” *IEEE Transactions on Pattern Analysis and Machine Intelligence*, vol. 35, no. 12, December 2013, pp. 2916-2929. **Over 2300 citations on Google Scholar.**
- M. Raginsky, J. Silva, S. Lazebnik, and R. Willett, “A Recursive Procedure for Density Estimation on the Binary Hypercube,” *Electronic Journal of Statistics*, vol. 7, 2013, pp. 820-858.
- J. Tighe and S. Lazebnik, “SuperParsing: Scalable Nonparametric Image Parsing with Superpixels,” *International Journal of Computer Vision*, vol. 101, no. 2, January 2013, pp. 329-349.
- R. Raguram, C. Wu, J.-M. Frahm, and S. Lazebnik, “Modeling and Recognition of Landmark Image Collections Using Iconic Scene Graphs,” *International Journal of Computer Vision*, vol. 95, no. 3, December 2011, pp. 213-239.
- J.-M. Frahm, M. Pollefeys, S. Lazebnik, C. Zach, D. Gallup, B. Clipp, R. Raguram, C. Wu, and T. Johnson, “Fast Robust Large-scale Mapping from Video and Internet Photo Collections,” *ISPRS Journal of Photogrammetry and Remote Sensing*, vol. 65, no. 6 (Special Issue on 100 Years of ISPRS), 2010, pp. 538-549.
- S. Lazebnik and M. Raginsky, “Supervised Learning of Quantizer Codebooks by Information Loss Minimization,” *IEEE Transactions on Pattern Analysis and Machine Intelligence*, vol. 31, no. 7, July 2009, pp. 1294-1309.
- S. Lazebnik, Y. Furukawa, and J. Ponce, “Projective Visual Hulls,” *International Journal of Computer Vision*, vol. 74, no. 2, August 2007, pp. 137-165.
- F. Rothganger, S. Lazebnik, C. Schmid, and J. Ponce, “Segmenting, Modeling, and Matching Video Clips Containing Multiple Moving Objects,” *IEEE Transactions on Pattern Analysis and Machine Intelligence*, vol. 29, no. 3, March 2007, pp. 477-491.

- J. Zhang, M. Marszalek, S. Lazebnik, and C. Schmid, “Local Features and Kernels for Classification of Texture and Object Categories: A Comprehensive Study,” *International Journal of Computer Vision*, vol. 73, no. 2, June 2007, pp. 213-238. **Over 2400 citations on Google Scholar.**
- F. Rothganger, S. Lazebnik, C. Schmid, and J. Ponce, “3D Object Modeling and Recognition Using Local Affine-Invariant Image Descriptors and Multi-View Spatial Constraints,” *International Journal of Computer Vision*, vol. 66, no. 3, March 2006, pp. 231-259.
- S. Lazebnik, C. Schmid, and J. Ponce, “A Sparse Texture Representation Using Local Affine Regions,” *IEEE Transactions on Pattern Analysis and Machine Intelligence*, vol. 27, no. 8, August 2005, pp. 1265-1278. **Over 1300 citations on Google Scholar.**
- S. Lazebnik and J. Ponce, “The Local Projective Shape of Smooth Surfaces and Their Outlines,” *International Journal of Computer Vision*, vol. 63, no. 1, June 2005, pp. 65-83.

### Edited Volumes

- I. S. Kweon, S. Lazebnik, N. Paragios, and M.-H. Yang (eds.), *Proceedings of the International Conference on Computer Vision*, IEEE/CVF, 2019.
- A. Fitzgibbon, S. Lazebnik, P. Perona, Y. Sato, and C. Schmid (eds.), *Proceedings of the 12th European Conference on Computer Vision*, Part I-VII. Lecture Notes in Computer Science vol. 7572-7578, Springer-Verlag, Berlin, Heidelberg, 2012.

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- J.-M. Frahm, M. Pollefeys, S. Lazebnik, B. Clipp, D. Gallup, R. Raguram, and C. Wu, “Robust Reconstruction of Large-Scale Environments,” *44th Annual Conference on Information Sciences and Systems*, invited session on 3D Data Acquisition and Analysis, 2010.
- S. Lazebnik, C. Schmid, and J. Ponce, “Spatial Pyramid Matching,” *Object Categorization: Computer and Human Vision Perspectives*, S. Dickinson, A. Leonardis, B. Schiele, and M. Tarr (eds.), Cambridge University Press, 2009, pp. 401-415.
- J. Ponce, T. L. Berg, M. Everingham, D. A. Forsyth, M. Hebert, S. Lazebnik, M. Marszalek, C. Schmid, B. C. Russell, A. Torralba, C. K. I. Williams, J. Zhang, and A. Zisserman, “Dataset Issues in Object Recognition,” *Toward Category-Level Object Recognition*, Springer-Verlag Lecture Notes in Computer Science vol. 4170. J. Ponce, M. Hebert, C. Schmid, and A. Zisserman (eds.), 2006, pp. 29-48.
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- F. Rothganger, S. Lazebnik, C. Schmid, and J. Ponce, “3D Object Modeling and Recognition from Photographs and Image Sequences,” *Toward Category-Level Object Recognition*, Springer-Verlag Lecture Notes in Computer Science vol. 4170. J. Ponce, M. Hebert, C. Schmid, and A. Zisserman (eds.), 2006, pp. 105-126.
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- J. Ponce, F. Rothganger, S. Lazebnik, K. McHenry, C. Schmid, S. Mahamud, and M. Hebert, “3D Photography from Photographs and Video Clips,” *Proceedings of the International Symposium on Core Research for Evolutional Science, Technology (CREST) — Ikeuchi Project*, Tokyo, Japan, 2003, pp. 153-182.

## Refereed Conference and Workshop Papers

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- U. Jain, I.-J. Liu, S. Lazebnik, A. Kembhavi, L. Weihs, and A. Schwing, “GridToPix: Training Embodied Agents with Minimal Supervision,” *Proceedings of the International Conference on Computer Vision*, 2021.
- S. Patel, S. Wani, U. Jain\*, A. Schwing, S. Lazebnik, M. Savva, and A. X. Chang, “Interpretation of Emergent Communication in Heterogeneous Collaborative Embodied Agents,” *Proceedings of the International Conference on Computer Vision*, 2021.
- A. Cui, D. McKee, and S. Lazebnik. “Dressing in Order: Recurrent Person Image Generation for Pose Transfer, Virtual Try-on and Outfit Editing,” *Proceedings of the International Conference on Computer Vision*, 2021.
- A. Iscen, J. Zhang, S. Lazebnik, and C. Schmid. “Memory-Efficient Incremental Learning Through Feature Adaptation,” *Proceedings of the European Conference on Computer Vision*, 2020.
- U. Jain, L. Weihs, E. Kolve, A. Farhadi, S. Lazebnik, A. Kembhavi, and A. Schwing, “A Cordial Sync: Going Beyond Marginal Policies for Multi-Agent Embodied Tasks,” *Proceedings of the European Conference on Computer Vision*, 2020.
- U. Jain, L. Weihs, E. Kolve, M. Rastegari, S. Lazebnik, A. Farhadi, A. Schwing, and A. Kembhavi, “Two Body Problem: Collaborative Visual Task Completion,” *Proceedings of the IEEE Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition*, 2019. *Oral, acceptance rate: 5.6%*.
- M. Narasimhan, S. Lazebnik, and A. Schwing, “Out of the Box: Reasoning with Graph Convolution Nets for Factual Visual Question Answering,” *Advances in Neural Information Processing Systems*, 2018. *Acceptance rate: 21%*.
- B. Plummer, P. Kordas, H. Kiapour, S. Zheng, R. Piramuthu, and S. Lazebnik, “Conditional Image-Text Embedding Networks,” *Proceedings of the European Conference on Computer Vision*, 2018, pp. 258-274. *Acceptance rate: 32%*.
- A. Mallya, D. Davis, and S. Lazebnik, “Piggyback: Adapting a Single Network to Multiple Tasks by Learning to Mask Weights,” *Proceedings of the European Conference on Computer Vision*, 2018, pp. 72-88. *Acceptance rate: 32%*.
- A. Mallya and S. Lazebnik, “PackNet: Adding Multiple Tasks to a Single Network by Iterative Pruning,” *Proceedings of the IEEE Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition*, 2018, pp. 7765 - 7773. *Acceptance rate: 29%*.
- U. Jain, S. Lazebnik, and A. Schwing, “Two can Play this Game: Visual Dialog with Discriminative Question Generation and Answering,” *Proceedings of the IEEE Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition*, 2018, pp. 5754 - 5763. *Acceptance rate: 29%*.
- L. Wang, A. Schwing, and S. Lazebnik, “Diverse and Accurate Image Description Using a Variational Auto-Encoder with an Additive Gaussian Encoding Space,” *Advances in Neural Information Processing Systems*, 2017. *Acceptance rate: 21%*.
- A. Mallya and S. Lazebnik, “Recurrent Models for Situation Recognition,” *Proceedings of the IEEE International Conference on Computer Vision*, 2017, pp. 455 - 463. *Acceptance rate: 29%*.
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- T. Tommasi, A. Mallya, B. Plummer, S. Lazebnik, A. Berg, and T. Berg, “Solving Visual Madlibs with Multiple Cues,” *Proceedings of the British Machine Vision Conference*, 2016. *Acceptance rate: 39%*.
- A. Mallya and S. Lazebnik, “Learning Models for Actions and Person-Object Interactions with Transfer to Question Answering,” *Proceedings of the European Conference on Computer Vision*, 2016, pp. 414 - 428. *Acceptance rate: 27%*.
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- Y. Lu, T. Javidi, and S. Lazebnik, “Adaptive Object Detection Using Adjacency and Zoom Prediction,” *Proceedings of the IEEE Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition*, 2016, pp. 2351 - 2359. *Acceptance rate: 30%*.
- B. Plummer, L. Wang, C. Cervantes, J. Caicedo, J. Hockenmaier, and S. Lazebnik, “Flickr30k Entities: Collecting Region-to-Phrase Correspondences for Richer Image-to-Sentence Models,” *Proceedings of the International Conference on Computer Vision*, 2015, pp. 2641 - 2649. *Acceptance rate: 31%*.
- A. Mallya and S. Lazebnik, “Learning Informative Edge Maps for Indoor Scene Layout Prediction,” *Proceedings of the International Conference on Computer Vision*, 2015, pp. 936 - 944. *Acceptance rate: 31%*.
- J. Caicedo and S. Lazebnik, “Active Object Localization with Deep Reinforcement Learning,” *Proceedings of the International Conference on Computer Vision*, 2015, pp. 2488 - 2496. *Acceptance rate: 31%*.
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- Y. Gong, L. Wang, M. Hodosh, J. Hockenmaier, and S. Lazebnik, “Improving Image-Sentence Embeddings Using Large Weakly Annotated Photo Collections,” *Proceedings of the European Conference on Computer Vision*, 2014, pp. 529-545. *Acceptance rate: 29%*.
- Y. Gong, L. Wang, R. Guo, and S. Lazebnik, “Multi-Scale Orderless Pooling of Deep Convolutional Activation Features,” *Proceedings of the European Conference on Computer Vision*, 2014, pp. 392-407. *Acceptance rate: 29%*.
- J. Tighe, M. Niethammer, and S. Lazebnik, “Scene Parsing with Object Instances and Occlusion Ordering,” *Proceedings of the IEEE Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition*, 2014, pp. 3748 - 3755. *Acceptance rate: 29%*.
- J. Tighe and S. Lazebnik, “Finding Things: Image Parsing with Regions and Per-Exemplar Detectors,” *Proceedings of the IEEE Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition*, 2013, pp. 3001 - 3008. *Oral, acceptance rate: 3.2%*.
- Y. Gong, S. Kumar, H. Rowley, and S. Lazebnik, “Learning Binary Codes for High-Dimensional Data Using Bilinear Projections,” *Proceedings of the IEEE Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition*, 2013, pp. 484 - 491. *Acceptance rate: 25.2%*.
- Y. Gong, S. Kumar, V. Verma and S. Lazebnik, “Angular Quantization-Based Binary Codes for Fast Similarity Search,” *Advances in Neural Information Processing Systems*, 2012.
- J. Tighe and S. Lazebnik, “Understanding Scenes on Many Levels,” *Proceedings of the International Conference on Computer Vision*, 2011, pp. 335-342. *Acceptance rate: 24%*.
- M. Pandey and S. Lazebnik, “Scene Recognition and Weakly Supervised Object Localization with Deformable Part-Based Models,” *Proceedings of the International Conference on Computer Vision*, 2011, pp. 1307-1314. *Acceptance rate: 24%*.
- Y. Gong and S. Lazebnik, “Iterative Quantization: A Procrustean Approach to Learning Binary Codes,” *Proceedings of the IEEE Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition*, 2011, pp. 817-824. *Oral, acceptance rate: 3.5%*.

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## Theses

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## Invited Talks

- *Old School vs. New School Methods in Computer Vision*, invited panel at ICCV, October 12, 2021.
- *Computer Vision: Looking Back to Look Forward*, IRIM Visiting Scholar Lectures, Georgia Tech, January 28 - February 6, 2020.
- *A Critical Look at Visual Grounding*, ICCV Workshop on Closing the Loop between Vision and Language (CLVL), October 28, 2019.
- *Adapting Neural Networks to New Tasks*, ECCV Women in Computer Vision Workshop, Munich, Germany, September 9, 2018
- *Towards Joint Understanding of Images and Language*
  - Workshop on Theory and Practice in Machine Learning and Computer Vision, Institute for Computational and Experimental Research in Mathematics, Brown University, February 2019
  - York University Centre for Vision Research Seminar, Toronto, Canada, September 28, 2018
  - Korean Conference on Computer Vision (keynote talk), Seoul, Korea, July 17, 2018

- Machines Can See Summit, Moscow, Russia, June 8, 2018
- University of Michigan Computer Vision Seminar, September 18, 2017
- Toyota Technical Institute, Chicago, June 26, 2017
- Facebook AI Research Paris, France, June 2, 2017
- WILLOW Group Seminar, Paris, France, June 1, 2017
- INRIA Rhône-Alpes, Montbonnot, France, May 30, 2017
- Xerox Research Centre Europe, Meylan, France, May 29, 2017
- *Transfer of Specialized Knowledge for Vision-Language Tasks*
  - CVPR Workshop on Visual Question Answering, Honolulu, Hawaii, July 26, 2017
  - Workshop on Frontiers of Video Technology, Adobe San Jose, CA, July 18, 2017
- *Beyond Scene Classification: Understanding Scenes by Describing Them*, CVPR Scene Understanding Workshop, Las Vegas, June 26, 2016
- *Image Description: From Image-Sentence Embeddings to Region-Phrase Correspondence*, ICCV Workshop on Closing the Loop between Vision and Language, Santiago, Chile, December 17, 2015
- *Broad-Coverage Scene Parsing with Object Instances and Occlusion Ordering*, UT Austin, April 4, 2014
- *Image Parsing*, International Computer Vision Summer School, Calabria, Italy, July 17, 2013
- *Towards Open Universe Image Parsing with Broad Coverage*, keynote, IAPR International Conference on Machine Vision Applications, Kyoto, Japan, May 21, 2013
- *Finding Things: Image Parsing with Regions and Per-Exemplar Detectors*
  - Cornell University, May 3, 2013
  - Johns Hopkins Center for Imaging Science Seminar, April 30, 2013
  - WILLOW Group Seminar, Paris, France, March 21, 2013
- *Understanding Scenes with Superpixels and Object Detectors*
  - University of Washington, August 20, 2012
  - Microsoft Research Redmond, August 16, 2012
  - CMU VASC Seminar, April 9, 2012
- *Similarity-Preserving Binary Codes for Scalable Image Search*
  - Purdue University Machine Learning Seminar, April 17, 2012
  - Information Theory and Applications Workshop, San Diego, February 7, 2012
- *Modeling and Recognizing the Content of Open-Universe Image Collections*
  - Army Research Lab, December 5, 2011
  - University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, June 30, 2011
  - University of Minnesota, February 14, 2011
- *Understanding Scenes on Many Levels* (invited poster), Workshop on Frontiers in Computer Vision, MIT, August 22, 2011
- *Large-Scale Nonparametric Image Parsing*, CVPR 2011 Workshop on Large-Scale Learning for Vision, June 20, 2011
- *SuperParsing: Scalable Nonparameteric Parsing with Superpixels* (invited poster), Janelia Farm Workshop on Computer Vision and Neuroscience, November 15, 2010
- *Iconic Images*
  - Internet Vision Workshop, Banff, Canada, September 2, 2009
  - ICCV Area Chair Workshop, Kyoto University, June 8, 2009



- CVPR Area Chair Workshop, Georgia Tech, February 23, 2009
- *Combining Appearance and Geometry for Efficient Scene Recognition*, IEEE Workshop on Visual Place Categorization, Miami, Florida, June 21, 2009
- *Representing Internet Photo Collections with Iconic Images*, Microsoft Research Redmond, June 30, 2008
- *An Empirical Bayes Approach to Contextual Region Classification*, Fourth International Workshop on Object Recognition, Lake Como, Italy, May 16, 2008
- *Exploring Image Data with Quantization-Based Techniques*, IPAM Workshop on Numerical Tools and Fast Algorithms for Massive Data Mining, Search Engines and Applications, UCLA, October 25, 2007
- *Object and Scene Recognition with Bags of Features and Spatial Pyramids*
  - Carnegie Mellon University, May 2, 2007
  - Microsoft Research, Redmond, April 16, 2007
  - University of California at San Diego, April 9, 2007
  - AT&T Research, April 5, 2007
  - New York University, April 4, 2007
  - State University of New York at Stony Brook, March 14, 2007
  - Kodak Research, March 7, 2007
  - University of Rochester, March 5, 2007
  - Duke University, February 28, 2007
  - University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, February 26, 2007
- *Fun with Nearest-Neighbor Quantizers*, Carnegie Mellon University, VASC seminar, October 30, 2006
- *Improving Bag-of-Features Image Classification*, ETH Zurich, BIWI group seminar, September 12, 2006
- *The Beauty of Local Invariant Features*
  - Third Sicily Workshop on Object Recognition, September 21, 2006
  - Workshop on Visual Learning and Recognition, Institute for Mathematics and Its Applications, University of Minnesota, May 22, 2006
- *Local, Semi-Local and Global Models for Texture, Object and Scene Recognition*
  - University of Washington, April 13, 2006
  - University of Texas at Austin, March 28, 2006
  - Stanford University, March 6, 2006
  - University of Wisconsin at Madison, February 27, 2006
- *Local Image Features for Recognizing Textures, Objects, and Scenes*
  - Toyota Technical Institute, Chicago, February 2, 2006
  - Microsoft Research, Redmond, December 12, 2005
- *A Maximum Entropy Framework for Part-Based Texture and Object Recognition*
  - Snowbird Learning Workshop, April 6, 2005 (invited poster)
  - Workshop on Visual Recognition/Pattern Classification, Mathematical Sciences Research Institute, Berkeley, March 21, 2005
- *From Textons to Parts: Learning Texture and Object Representations Based on Local Image Features*
  - MIT Computer Science and Artificial Intelligence Lab, August 16, 2005
  - Stanford University, March 22, 2005
  - Xerox Research Centre Europe, February 22, 2005
- *Semi-Local Parts and Their Relations for Object Recognition*,

- INRIA Rhône-Alpes, February 21, 2005
- Second Sicily Workshop on Object Recognition, October 11, 2004
- *Learning Local Affine Representations for Texture and Object Recognition*
  - Microsoft Research, Cambridge, September 6, 2004
  - Oxford University Robotics Research Group Seminar, August 31, 2004
  - CalTech Vision Group Seminar, April 13, 2004
  - Snowbird Learning Workshop, April 8, 2004
- *Texture Recognition Using Affine-Invariant Regions*,
  - INRIA Rhône-Alpes, October 23, 2003
  - First Sicily Workshop on Object Recognition, September 10, 2003

## Teaching Experience

### University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

Fall 2021	CS 543/ECE 549: Computer Vision
Spring 2021	CS 498: Introduction to Deep Learning
Fall 2020	CS 498: Introduction to Deep Learning
Spring 2019	CS 543/ECE 549: Computer Vision
Fall 2018	CS 498: Introduction to Deep Learning
Spring 2018	CS 543/ECE 549: Computer Vision – <i>made list of Teachers Ranked as Excellent</i>
Fall 2017	CS 440/ECE 448: Artificial Intelligence
Spring 2017	CS 598: Cutting-Edge Topics in Deep Learning and Recognition
Fall 2016	CS 440/ECE 448: Artificial Intelligence
Spring 2016	CS 543/ECE 549: Computer Vision
Fall 2015	CS 440/ECE 448: Artificial Intelligence
Spring 2015	CS 440/ECE 448: Artificial Intelligence
Spring 2014	CS 543/ECE 549: Computer Vision
Fall 2013	CS 440/ECE 448: Artificial Intelligence
Spring 2013	CS 543/ECE 549: Computer Vision
Fall 2012	CS 440/ECE 448: Artificial Intelligence

### University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

Fall 2011	COMP 590-096: Artificial Intelligence
Spring 2011	COMP 776: Computer Vision
Fall 2010	COMP 590-096: Artificial Intelligence
Spring 2010	COMP 776: Computer Vision
Fall 2009	COMP 875: Machine Learning Methods for Image Analysis
Spring 2009	COMP 776: Computer Vision
Fall 2008	COMP 790-096: Computational Photography
Spring 2008	COMP 776: Computer Vision – <i>winner of UNC CSSA Teaching Award</i>
Fall 2007	COMP 790-096: Computer Vision and the Web

## Mentoring

### Ph.D. Advisees

- Unnat Jain (U of I, M.S. 2018, Siebel Scholar class of 2018, winner of 2018 David J. Kuck Outstanding M.S. Thesis Award, Ph.D. expected 2023)
- Jeffrey Zhang (U of I, Ph.D. expected 2023)
- Aiyu Cui (U of I, Ph.D. expected 2023)
- Daniel McKee (U of I, Ph.D. expected 2022)
- Bryan Plummer (U of I, Ph.D. 2018, now Assistant Professor at Boston University)

- Liwei Wang (U of I, Ph.D. 2018, now Assistant Professor at CUHK)
- Arun Mallya (U of I, M.S. 2014, Siebel Scholar class of 2014, Ph.D. 2018, now at NVIDIA Research)
- Yunchao Gong (UNC, Ph.D. 2014, winner of 2013 Google Ph.D. Fellowship in Machine Perception, now at Verkada)
- Joseph Tighe (UNC, Ph.D. 2013, now at Amazon)

### **M.S. Advisees**

- Shubham Jain (U of I, M. S. 2019)
- Medhini Narasimhan (U of I, M.S. 2019, Siebel Scholar class of 2019, winner of 2019 David J. Kuck Outstanding M.S. Thesis Award)
- Jing Huang (U of I, M.S. 2018)
- Victor Ge (U of I, M.S. 2018)
- Hsiao-Ching Chang (U of I, M.S. 2018)
- Manav Kedia (U of I, M.S. 2017)
- Cecilia Mauceri (U of I, M.S. 2015)
- Mariyam Khalid (U of I, M.S. 2014)
- Hongtao Huang (UNC, M.S. 2013)
- Megha Pandey (UNC, M.S. 2011)
- Anson Liang (UNC, co-advised with Jan-Michael Frahm, M.S. 2011)
- Xiaowei Li (UNC, co-advised with Jan-Michael Frahm, M.S. 2010)

### **Ph.D. Committees**

- U of I: Zicheng Liao, Scott Chen (ECE), Amin Sadeghi, Zhicheng Yan, Saurabh Singh, Daphne Tsatsoulis, Kevin Shih, Qieyun Dai, Ning Xu (ECE), Jiajun Lu, Jason Rock, Aditya Deshpande, Zhizhong Li, Tanmay Gupta
- UNC: Stephen Guy, Changchang Wu, Brian Clipp, David Gallup, Ilknur Kabul, Li Guan, Seon Joo Kim, Hadi Kiapour
- Duke: Susanna Ricco, Steve Gu

### **Post-Doctoral Scholars**

- Tatiana Tommasi (UNC, co-advised with Alex and Tamara Berg, 2015-2016, now at Italian Institute of Technology)
- Juan Caicedo (U of I, 2012-2014, now at Broad Institute)

### **Professional Service**

- Editor in Chief: International Journal of Computer Vision (since 2018)
- Associate editor:
  - International Journal of Computer Vision (2009-2018)
  - IEEE Transactions on Pattern Analysis and Machine Intelligence (2014-2019)
- Conference program chair:
  - International Conference on Computer Vision, 2019
  - European Conference on Computer Vision, 2012
- Conference workshop chair: IEEE Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition, 2016
- Conference area chair:

- IEEE Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition, 2009, 2011, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2018, 2019
- IEEE International Conference on Computer Vision, 2009, 2011, 2017
- Neural Information Processing Systems, 2015
- European Conference on Computer Vision, 2016, 2018
- Conference session chair:
  - IEEE Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition, 2009 and 2011
  - IEEE International Conference on Computer Vision, 2011
- Conference awards committee: IEEE Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition, 2015, 2016, 2017
- Invited session/workshop co-organizer:
  - 2013 Annual Allerton Conference on Communication, Control and Computing invited session, “Active Learning, Search, and Visual Recognition”
  - NIPS 2010 workshop, “Beyond Classification: Machine Learning for Next Generation Computer Vision challenges”
- Conference reviewing (regular):
  - IEEE Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition
  - IEEE International Conference on Computer Vision
  - European Conference on Computer Vision
  - Advances in Neural Information Processing Systems
- Journal reviewing (regular):
  - Journal of Machine Learning Research
  - International Journal of Computer Vision
  - IEEE Transactions on Pattern Analysis and Machine Intelligence
  - IEEE Transactions on Image Processing
- Workshop program committees:
  - CVPR Scene Understanding Workshop, 2013
  - ICCV Workshop on 3D Representations for Recognition, 2007, 2009, 2011
  - ECCV Workshop on Reconstruction and Modeling of Large-Scale 3D Virtual Environments, 2010
  - CVPR Workshop on Advancing Computer Vision with Humans in the Loop, 2010
  - CVPR Joint Workshop on Visual and Contextual Learning, and Visual Scene Analysis, 2009
  - CVPR Workshop on Feature Detectors and Descriptors, 2009
  - International Workshop on Internet Vision, 2008 and 2009
  - International Workshop on Semantic Learning Applications in Multimedia, 2008 and 2009
- Panelist: NSF CISE, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2012, 2016, 2018
- Member of IEEE (Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers) since 1999, senior member since 2016

## University Service

### University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

- Faculty hiring committee, fall 2013 - spring 2017, fall 2018 - present
- AI group area chair, fall 2016 - fall 2018
- CS advisory committee, fall 2016 - spring 2018
- Graduate study committee, fall 2015 - spring 2016

- Appeals, capricious grading, and student petitions committee, fall 2013 - spring 2014
- Fellowships, assistantships, and admissions committee, fall 2012 - spring 2013
- Undergraduate study committee, fall 2012 - spring 2013
- CSE fellowship selection panel, spring 2012

#### **University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill**

- Graduate admissions committee, August 2007 - December 2011

#### **Professional Development**

- University of Illinois Academy for Excellence in Engineering Education (AE3) FastStart/Teaching College program, fall 2012 - spring 2013.