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Research Interests I am interested in various aspects of 3D perception.
Computer Vision — Robotics — Artificial Intelligence — Machine Learning

Experience

Magic Leap, Inc. *April 2021-Present*
Lead Computer Vision Researcher/Engineer
Senior Computer Vision Researcher/Engineer *September 2019-March 2021*

University of Maryland *Fall 2014-Spring 2019*
Graduate Research Assistant
– Developed a method for non-rigid, topology-aware raw point cloud registration 
– Created *cilantro*, a general-purpose, feature-rich point cloud processing library  
– Developed model-based 6DoF stochastic object tracking algorithms in RGB-D videos
– Developed a method for grounding pairwise spatial relations between objects observed in 3D and proposed an action representation based on their temporal evolution  

Robot Training Academy *June 2016-August 2016*
Perception Intern
– Implemented a small-scale RGB-D SLAM pipeline 
– Developed algorithms for cuboid detection and fitting in incomplete 3D geometries 
– Developed a method for automatic part decomposition and fitting for box-like containers and appliances from partial interior and exterior 3D scans

University of Maryland *Fall 2011-Spring 2014*
Graduate Teaching Assistant
– [CMSC425] *Game Programming* (Spring 2013)
– [CMSC122] *Programming via the Web* (Fall 2012, Fall 2013, Spring 2014)
– [CMSC351] *Algorithms* (Spring 2012)
– [CMSC427] *Computer Graphics* (Fall 2011)

National Technical University of Athens *Fall 2004-Spring 2011*
– Designed and implemented Kalman and Particle Filtering 2D tracking algorithms based on color and optical flow cues (diploma thesis)
– Lab assistant in ECE course *Introduction to Programming* (Stathis Zachos), Fall 2005

Education

University of Maryland at College Park
PhD in Computer Science
Dissertation: *Reasoning about Geometric Object Interactions in 3D for Manipulation Action Understanding*
Advisor: Prof. Yiannis Aloimonos, co-advisor: Dr. Cornelia Fermüller

University of Maryland at College Park
MSc in Computer Science

National Technical University of Athens
5-year diploma (MEng equivalent) in Electrical and Computer Engineering
Thesis: *Stochastic Object Tracking*
Advisor: Prof. Petros Maragos

Service & Memberships

Reviewer
Conferences: ICRA, ICCV, AAAI
Journals: RA-L, RAS, CVIU, IMAVIS, TVCJ

Visiting Researcher

Telluride Neuromorphic Cognition Engineering Workshop (June-July 2015)

Student Member

IEEE, SIAM

- Publications**
- [1] **Topology-Aware Non-Rigid Point Cloud Registration**, K. Zampogiannis, C. Fermüller, Y. Aloimonos, *PAMI 2019* [📄](#)
 - [2] **cilantro: A Lean, Versatile, and Efficient Library for Point Cloud Data Processing**, K. Zampogiannis, C. Fermüller, Y. Aloimonos, *ACM MM 2018 (OSSC)* [📄](#) [📄](#)
 - [3] **Prediction of Manipulation Actions**, C. Fermüller, F. Wang, Y. Yang, K. Zampogiannis, Y. Zhang, F. Barranco, M. Pfeiffer, *IJCV 2018* [📄](#)
 - [4] **Combining Visual Learning with a Generic Cognitive Model for Appliance Representation**, K. Ganguly, K. Zampogiannis, C. Fermüller, Y. Aloimonos, *EUCOG 2016* [📄](#)
 - [5] **Learning the Spatial Semantics of Manipulation Actions through Preposition Grounding**, K. Zampogiannis, Y. Yang, C. Fermüller, Y. Aloimonos, *ICRA 2015* [📄](#) [📄](#)

Selected Course Projects The following advanced undergraduate and graduate course projects were either individual work or completed by a group of two students:

Computer Vision

- Development of a dense 3D point cloud reconstruction pipeline from multiple 2D views
- Development of an image mosaicking application using homographies
- Implementation of classical vision algorithms for edge and corner detection, optical flow estimation, nonlinear image diffusion and MRF/CRF inference based segmentation

Pattern Recognition

- Implementation of an SVM face image classifier
- Development of an unsupervised, realtime speaker indexing application
- Development of a small vocabulary speech recognition system using continuous HMMs
- Implementation of a simple LPC vocoder

Robotics and AI

- Development of an HTN planner for the solar panel operations on ISS (*ICKEPS 2012* challenge track)
- Development of a robotic manipulator simulator with kinematic redundancies

Programming Languages

- Development of forward and backward symbolic execution interpreters in OCaml for a TAC language
- Development of a compiler in C for the procedural programming language *Dana*

Relevant Graduate Coursework	Processing of Pictorial Information	Computational Geometry
	Image Segmentation	AI Planning
	Subspaces and Manifolds in CV and ML	Scientific Computing
	Statistical Pattern Recognition	Program Analysis and Understanding

- Honors & Awards**
- University of Maryland **Dean's Fellowship**, 2011-2013
 - Member of the team that represented Greece in the final stage of Microsoft's **Imagine Cup 2009** competition in Cairo, in the category of Software Design: we built a semi-automatic malaria diagnosis system for remote, rural areas of the developing world
 - **Award** by the bank *Eurobank EFG* for ranking 1st in class (panhellenic exams performance) in the last year of high school, 2003

Technical Skills

Languages: C++, C, MATLAB, Python, Java, OCaml, Haskell, Prolog, Pascal
APIs: OpenCV, PCL, Eigen, Ceres, g2o, ROS, OpenGL, OpenMP
Tools: GNU Make, CMake, Visual Studio, L^AT_EX
Operating Systems: GNU/Linux, Windows