MUHAMMAD A. RIAZ

SF Bay Area, CA

EMPLOYMENT

Machine Learning Engineer

Apple Inc.

Oct 2016 - Present

- · Worked on development and evaluation of Vision and Machine Learning solutions for Apple Vision Pro.
- Developed directional light estimation in ARKit, a framework shipped with iOS 11.

Graduate Student Researcher

University of California, San Diego

Spring 2015 - Summer 2016

Visual Computing Center (Dr. Ravi Ramamoorthi)

- Developed a single view 3D reconstruction (SVR) system for human faces.
- · Predicted cast shadows on the face; significantly reduced reconstruction error due to shadowing.
- Designed and implemented a hybrid of parametric model and shape from shading; captured local details while preserving global shape.

Research Assistant LUMS, Pakistan Jun 2012 – Jun 2014

Computer Vision Group (Dr. Sohaib Khan)

- · Performed quantitative stability testing of in-house single view reconstruction algorithm.
- Added constraints on the search space; reduced false positives by 32%.

EDUCATION

M.S. Computer Science University of California, San Diego Aug 2014 – July 2016

· GPA: 3.78

B.S. Electrical Engineering LUMS, Pakistan Sep 2008 – May 2012

In-major GPA: 3.73, cGPA: 3.67

COURSE PROJECTS

- Convolutional Neural Network (2015). Developed a reconfigurable CNN training framework from scratch.
- **Pre-computed Radiance Transfer** (2015). Real-time rendering system; pre-computes geometric information as spherical harmonics and renders object under dynamic environment maps at more than 100 fps.
- Expression Retargeting (2011). Project facial expression from sparse MOCAP data onto a dense 3D character using spatio-temporal basis.

ADDITIONAL EXPERIENCE AND AWARDS

- **Teaching Assistant (2009 2014):** Assisted in Computer Vision, Computer Networks, Introduction to Programming (C++), Computational Problem Solving (MATLAB).
- · Media Coordinator (2011): Led the media cell at Young Leaders' Summit and secured print media coverage.
- Best project (2009): 2nd prize for best course project in freshman year for Speech Recognition system.
- Dean's Honor List (2008-12): Remained on Dean's List throughout the undergraduate period.
- 3rd Place nationwide (2008): Gold medal in International Math's Kangaroo Contest (Pakistan).

TECHNICAL SKILLS

- Pytorch, Tensorflow, Python, C++, C, MATLAB, OpenGL, Bash, Verilog, JavaScript, HTML, CSS
- Deep Learning, CNNs, Knowledge Distillation, Scene Understanding, 3D Reconstruction, Computer Vision, Neural Nets, Artificial Intelligence, GPU Programming, Image Processing