

INTERNSHIP OFFER - 1561 (Ref: RI-ISL-CP-faceCapture-4) Master 2 / Engineering diploma internship

Subject: A deep based approach for photo-realistic extraction of facial 3D model



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Robust and precise 3D animation of human faces are key elements in movie production. Our current facial rig extraction tool lets artists automatically extract and animate 3D facial characters (i.e. avatars) from monocular videos. It is based on an unsupervised deep learning auto-encoder that directly estimates the parameters of 3D morphable model.

The goal of the internship is to extend our current tool to produce a more accurate and photo-realistic face reconstruction. The intern will design a deep network extending the current model, taking advantage, for instance, on latest advances in GAN. This work could lead to a scientific publication. Training and evaluation data will be provided.

Skills: Computer vision, optimization, deep learning, python

Keywords: Machine learning, Deep learning, pytorch, facial performance capture

Reference: Tewari et al, MoFA: Model-Based Deep Convolutional Face Autoencoder for Unsupervised Monocular Reconstruction, ICCV 2017

Where:

The internship will take place at Interdigital research, Rennes, France. The site was formerly Technicolor research and has been purchased by Interdigital in June 2019. The internship takes place within a collaboration with Technicolor postproduction.

How to apply:

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Since the acquisition by Interdigital, the Technical Area "Content Processing", the team in which the internship is proposed, is continuing its developments and research with Technicolor as final client.