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## EDUCATION

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| <b>PhD Computer Science</b><br>Binghamton University<br>Dissertation Title: Facial Landmark Detection and Sketch Recognition<br>Advisor: Dr. Lijun Yin                                       | May 2015<br>Binghamton, NY |
| <b>MCIS Computer and Information Systems</b><br>Youngstown State University<br>Thesis Title: Face Recognition from Multi-Frame Image Fusion<br>Advisors: Dr. Yong Zhang and Dr. John Sullins | 2008<br>Youngstown, OH     |
| <b>BS Computer Science</b><br>Youngstown State University<br>Advisor: Dr. John Sullins   | 2006<br>Youngstown, OH     |

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

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| <b>Visiting Faculty Research Program</b><br>Air Force Research Lab                                | May 2012 – August 2012<br>Rome, NY        |
| <b>Graduate Research Assistant, Graphics &amp; Image Computing Lab</b><br>Binghamton University   | June 2008 – August 2009<br>Binghamton, NY |
| <b>Graduate Assistant, Computer Information Systems Department</b><br>Youngstown State University | August 2006-May 2008<br>Youngstown, OH    |

## WORK EXPERIENCE

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| <b>Assistant Professor</b><br>University of South Florida    | August 2017 - Present   |
| <b>Research Assistant Professor</b><br>Binghamton University | August 2015 – July 2017 |
| <b>Summer Course Lecturer</b><br>Binghamton University       | June 2011 – August 2011 |
| <b>Teaching Assistant</b><br>Binghamton University           | August 2009 – May 2013  |

## PATENTS

1. L. Yin, S. Canavan, and K. Hu *Hand Pointing Estimation for Human Computer Interaction*  
US 8, 971, 572

## **FUNDING**

1. Scalability of the Value Spring Technology enterpriseMind Ali-Tutor AI Solution, ValueSpring, 2019, \$1,000, S. Canavan (PI).
2. Improvement of Computing and Storage Capabilities of the GAIVI Cluster at the College of Engineering, University of South Florida Equipment Acquisition and Improvement Grant, 2018, \$35,942, Y. Tu (PI), S. Canavan (Co-PI), S. Chellappan (Co-PI).
3. Analysis of Human Emotion Using Multimodal Data, AWS Machine Learning Research Award (Amazon), 6/1/2018-6/1/2019, \$150,000, S. Canavan (PI).
4. Deep Emotion Recognition, Google GCP Research Credits Program (Google), 2018, \$5,000 of GCP credit, S. Canavan (PI).

## **PUBLICATIONS**

### **Peer Reviewed Journal Articles, Conference Proceedings, and Abstracts**

1. S. Aathreya, S. Hinduja, and S. Canavan, "Three-level training of multi-head architecture for pain detection," Face and Gesture Recognition, 2020.
2. Md T. Uddin and S. Canavan, "Multimodal multilevel fusion for sequential protective behavior detection and pain estimation," Face and Gesture Recognition, 2020.
3. S. Hinduja, S. Canavan, and G. Kaur, "Multimodal fusion of physiological signals and facial action units for pain recognition," Face and Gesture Recognition, 2020.
4. T. Neal and S. Canavan, "Mood versus identity: studying the influence of affective states on mobile biometrics," Face and Gesture Recognition, 2020.
5. S. Hinduja and S. Canavan, "Real-time action unit intensity detection" Face and Gesture Recognition, 2020.
6. J. Schioppo, Z. Meyer, D. Fabiano, and S. Canavan, "Sign language recognition in virtual reality" Face and Gesture Recognition, 2020.
7. S. Hinduja and S. Canavan, "Recognizing perceived emotions using facial expressions" Face and Gesture Recognition, 2020.
8. J. Lou, X. Cai, Y. Wang, H. Yu, and S. Canavan, "Multi-subspace supervised descent method for robust face alignment," Multimedia Tools and Applications, 2019
9. Md T. Uddin and S. Canavan, "Synthesizing physiological and motion data for stress and meditation detection," Affective Computing and Intelligence Interaction Workshops, 2019.
10. D. Fabiano and S. Canavan, "Emotion recognition using fused physiological signals," Affective Computing and Intelligent Interaction, 2019.
11. J. Schioppo, Z. Meyer, D. Fabiano, and S. Canavan, "Learning sign language in a virtual environment," CHI Extended Abstracts, (LBW) 2019.
12. S. Hinduja, Md T. Uddin, Sk R. Jannat, A. Sharma, and S. Canavan, "Fusion of Hand-crafted and Deep Features for Empathy Prediction," Face and Gesture Recognition, 2019.
13. D. Fabiano and S. Canavan, "Deformable Synthesis Model for Emotion Recognition," Face and Gesture, 2019.
14. S. Canavan, M. Andujar, L. Yin, A. Nijholt, and E. Schotter, "Ubiquitous Emotion Recognition with Multimodal Mobile Interfaces," UbiComp/ISWC, 2018.
15. R. Jannat, I. Tynes, L. LaLime, J. Adorno, and S. Canavan, "Ubiquitous Emotion Recognition using Audio and Video Data," Workshop on Ubiquitous Emotion Recognition with Multimodal Mobile Interfaces, 2018.

16. S. Canavan and D. Fabiano, "Human Emotion Recognition using Fused Physiological Signals," Army Science and Technology Symposium, 2018.
17. D. Fabiano and S. Canavan, "Spontaneous and Non-Spontaneous 3D Facial Expression Recognition Using a Statistical Model with Global and Local Constraints" International Conference on Image Processing, 2018.
18. S. Canavan, W. Keyes, R. McCormick, J. Kunnumpurath, T. Hoelzel, and L. Yin, "Hand Gesture Recognition Using a Sketch-based Representation with a Random Regression Forest" International Conference on Image Processing, 2017.
19. S. Canavan, M. Chen, S. Chen, R. Valdez, M. Yaeger, H. Lin, and L. Yin, "Combining Gaze and Demographic Feature Descriptors for Autism Classification" International Conference on Image Processing, 2017.
20. Z. Zhang, J. Girard, Y. Wu, X. Zhang, P. Liu, U. Ciftci, S. Canavan, M. Reale, A. Horowitz, H. Yang, J. Cohn, Q. Ji, and L. Yin, "Multimodal Spontaneous Emotion Corpus for Human Behavior Analysis" Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition, 2016.
21. S. Canavan, P. Liu, X. Zhang, and L. Yin, "Landmark Localization on 3D/4D Range Data Using a Shape Index-based Statistical Shape Model with Global and Local Constraints" Computer Vision and Image Understanding, 2015
22. S. Canavan, L. Yin, "Feature Detection and Tracking on Geometric Mesh Data Using a Combined Global and Local Shape Model for Face Analysis" IEEE International Conference on Biometrics: Theory, Applications and Systems, 2015
23. X. Zhang, L. Yin, J. Cohn, S. Canavan, M. Reale, A. Horowitz, P. Liu and J. Girard, "BP4D-Spontaneous: A high resolution spontaneous 3D dynamic facial expression database" Image and Vision Computing, 2014
24. M. Reale, P. Liu, L. Yin, and S. Canavan, "Art Critic: Multisignal Vision and Speech Interaction System in a Gaming Context" IEEE Transactions on SMC-Part B: Special Issue on Modern Control for Computer Games, July 2013
25. M. Reale, S. Canavan, L. Yin, K. Hu, and T. Hung, "A Multi-Gesture Interaction System using a 3D Iris Disk Model for Gaze Estimation and an Active Appearance Model for 3D Hand Pointing" IEEE Transactions on Multimedia Vol. 13, No. 3, June 2011
26. S. Canavan, X. Zhang, and L. Yin, "Fitting and Tracking 3D/4D Facial Data Using A Temporal Deformable Shape Model" IEEE International Conference on Multimedia and Expo, 2013
27. X. Zhang, L. Yin, J. Cohn, S. Canavan, M. Reale, A. Horowitz, and P. Liu, "A High-Resolution Spontaneous 3D Dynamic Facial Expression Database" IEEE International Conference on Automatic Face and Gesture Recognition, 2013
28. S. Canavan, Y. Sun, X. Zhang, and L. Yin, "A Dynamic Curvature Based Approach for Facial Activity Analysis in 3D Space" CVPR Workshop on Socially Intelligent Surveillance and Monitoring, 2012
29. S. Canavan, X. Zhang, L. Yin, and Y. Zhang, "3D Face Sketch Modeling and Assessment for Component Based Face Recognition" International Joint Conference on Biometrics, 2011
30. Y. Zhang, S. L. Ellyson, A. J. Zone, P. R. Gangam, J. R. Sullins, C. McCullough, S. Canavan, and L. Yin, "Recognizing Face Sketches by a Large Number of Human Subjects: A Perception-Based Study for Facial Distinctiveness" International Conference on Automatic Face and Gesture Recognition, 2011

31. K. Hu, S. Canavan, and L. Yin, "Hand Pointing Estimation for Human Computer Interaction Based on Two Orthogonal-Views" International Conference on Pattern Recognition 2010
32. S. Canavan, B. Johnson, M. Reale, Y. Zhang, L. Yin, and J. Sullins, "Evaluation of Multi-Frame Fusion Based Face Classification Under Shadow" International Conference on Pattern Recognition, 2010
33. H. A. Al Nizami, J. P. Adkins-Hill, Y. Zhang, J. R. Sullins, C. McCullough, S. Canavan, and L. Yin, "A Biometric Database with Rotating Head Videos and Hand-drawn Face Sketches" International Conference on Biometrics: Theory, Applications and Systems, 2009
34. S. Canavan and L. Yin, "Dynamic Face Appearance Modeling and Sight Direction Estimation Based on Local Region Tracking and Scale-Space Topo-Representation" International Conference on Multimedia and Expo, 2009
35. S. Canavan, M. P. Kozak, Y. Zhang, J. R. Sullins, M. A. Shreve, D. B. Goldgof, "Face Recognition by Multi-Frame Fusion of Rotating Heads in Videos" IEEE International Conference on Biometrics: Theory, Applications and Systems, 2007

### **Technical Reports**

1. S. Hinduja and S. Canavan, "Transforming 3D facial landmarks for action unit prediction," University of South Florida, 2019.
2. S. Hinduja and S. Canavan, "Impact of data distribution on action unit detection," University of South Florida, 2019.
3. Sk R. Jannat, D. Fabiano, and S. Canavan, "Subject identification using 3D facial landmarks," University of South Florida, 2019.
4. A. Sharma and S. Canavan, "Multimodal physiological-based emotion recognition," University of South Florida, 2019.
5. D. Fabiano, M. Jaishanker, and S. Canavan, "Analysis of 3D face, action units, and physiological data for multimodal emotion recognition," University of South Florida, 2019.
6. S. Canavan, "Camera Zoom and Multi-View Stereo Methods", Air Force Research Lab Technical Report, 2012
7. S. Canavan, "Biometric Feature Tracking Via Deformable Models", Binghamton University Technical Report, 2010
8. M. Shreve, S. Canavan, Y. Zhang, J. Sullins, and R. Patil, "Imaging and Characterization of Facial Strain in Long Video Sequences", Youngstown State University Technical Report, 2007

### **STUDENTS ADVISED**

#### **Current Graduate Students**

1. Rahatul Jannat, PhD
2. Taufeeq Uddin, PhD
3. Saurabh Hinduja, PhD
4. Iyonna Tynes, Masters
5. Saandeep Aathreya, Masters

#### **Graduated Students**

1. Astha Sharma, Masters, Thesis title: Emotion Recognition using Deep Convolutional Neural Network with Large-scale Physiological Data

2. Diego Fabiano, Masters, Thesis title: Multimodal Emotion Recognition using 3D Facial Landmarks, Action Units, and Physiological Data.
3. Neil Sambhu, Masters, Thesis title: Detecting Digitally Forged Faces in Online Videos
4. Zach Meyer, Undergraduate Research
5. Jacob Schioppo, Undergraduate Research

## PRESENTATIONS

### Invited Talks

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| <b>JP Morgan Chase Innovation Week</b>  | June 2019      |
| Topic: Biometrics and Affective Computing at USF                                      | Tampa, FL      |
| <b>JP Morgan Chase Tech Fest</b>  | October 2019   |
| Topic: Biometrics and Affective Computing at USF                                      | Tampa, FL      |
| <b>Interdisciplinary Data Sciences Consortium</b>                                     | November 2017  |
| Topic: Multimodal Facial Data for Affective Computing                                 | Tampa, FL      |
| <b>Computer Science Graduate Student Organization Weekly Seminar</b>                  | February 2013  |
| Topic: Fitting and Tracking 3D/4D Facial Data Using a Temporal Deformable Shape Model | Binghamton, NY |

### Conference Presentations

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|---|----------------|
| <b>Affective Computing and Intelligent Interaction</b>  | September 2019 |
| Topic: Emotion Recognition using Fused Physiological Signals  | Cambridge, UK  |
| <b>Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition Workshop on Socially Intelligent Surveillance and Monitoring</b>                         | June 2012      |
| Topic: A Dynamic Curvature Based Approach for Facial Activity Analysis in 3D Space  | Providence, RI |
| <b>International Joint Conference on Biometrics</b>   | October 2011   |
| Topic: 3D Face Sketch Modeling and Assessment for Component Based Face Recognition  | Washington DC  |
| <b>International Conference on Multimedia and Expo</b>  | June 2009      |
| Topic: Dynamic Face Appearance Modeling and Sight Direction Estimation on Local Region Tracking and Scale-Space Topo-Representation | New York, NY   |
| <b>International Conference on Biometrics: Theory, Applications and Systems</b>   | September 2007 |
| Topic: Face Recognition by Multi-Frame Fusion of Rotating Heads in Videos   | Washington DC  |

### Conference Posters

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|---|----------------|
| <b>Face and Gesture Recognition</b>   | May 2019       |
| Topic: Deformable Synthesis Model for Emotion Recognition   | Lille, France  |
| <b>International Conference on Image Processing</b>   | September 2017 |
| Topic: Hand Gesture Recognition Using a Sketch-based Representation with a Random Regression Forest | Beijing, China |
| <b>International Conference on Image Processing</b>   | September 2017 |

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| Topic: Combining Gaze and Demographic Feature Descriptors for Autism Classification | Beijing, China                  |
| <b>International Conference on Biometrics: Theory, Applications and Systems</b>     | September 2009<br>Washington DC |
| Topic: A Biometric Database with Rotating Head Videos and Hand-Drawn Face Sketches  |                                 |

## AWARDS and Honors

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|---|-------------------------------|
| Best reviewer award<br><i>Face and Gesture 2018</i>   | May 2018<br>Xi'an, China      |
| Selected to attend <i>KEEN Integrating Curriculum with Entrepreneurial-Mindset (ICE) Workshop</i> (\$2000)          | March 2018<br>Tampa, FL       |
| Selected to attend <i>Second Annual Student Research Summit at GE Global Research</i>                               | August 2013<br>Niskayuna, NY  |
| Selected to attend <i>International Joint Conference on Biometrics Doctoral Consortium</i> (\$1500)                 | October 2011<br>Washington DC |
| NSF travel fellowship to attend <i>Sino-USA Summer School in Vision, Learning, and Pattern Recognition</i> (\$2500) | July 2010<br>Xi'an, China     |

## SERVICE

### Professional – Peer Review

ACM Transactions on Multimedia Computing, Communications, and Applications; Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition; European Conference on Computer Vision; Biometrics: Theory, Applications, and Systems; IEEE Transactions on Affective Computing; IEEE Transactions on Biometrics, Behavior, and Identity Science; IEEE Transactions on Image Processing; IEEE Transactions on Circuits and Systems for Video Technology; IEEE Transactions on Cybernetics; Image and Vision Computing; International Conference on Pattern Recognition; SIBGRAPI –Conference on Graphics, Patterns and Images (Tutorials); Signal, Image and Video Processing; Signal Processing Letters; International Conference on Image Processing; Face and Gesture; Affective Computing and Intelligent Interaction

### Professional – Committees

Demo Chair, ACII 2021; Program Committee, FG 2020; Demo Chair, FG 2019; Technical Committee, ICIP 2018; Technical Committee, ICPR 2018; Program Committee, FG 2018; Technical Program Committee, ECCV 2014;

### Professional - Membership

- IEEE Member
- IEEE Signal Processing Society Member
- IEEE Young Professional Member
- Association for the Advancement of Affective Computing (AAAC)