DR. IOANNA NTINOU

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CURRENT POSITION

Postdoctoral Researcher at RAIDO

Queen Mary University of London

May 2024 – Present

London, UK

- · Main responsibilities: Lead developer of the Distill-AI toolbox, a framework for energy-efficient AI models in vision and time-series. Contribute to the coordination of Work Package 3, working with academic and industry partners. Research on Vision–Language Models.
- · Talks & Organisation: Co-organiser, Binary and Extreme Quantization for Computer Vision (ICCV 2025); Speaker, Open Forum on Sustainable AI (IGF 2025, organised by UNESCO).

EDUCATION

PhD in Computer Science

Queen Mary University of London

October 2020 - July 2024

London, UK

- · Thesis: Efficient Spatio-Temporal Modeling for Action Recognition in Videos [link]
- · Supervisor: Dr Georgios Tzimiropoulos

Visiting Scholar

University of Nottingham

May 2017 - July 2017

Nottingham, UK

- · Topic: Deep Learning for 3D Human Pose Estimation
- · Supervisor: Dr Georgios Tzimiropoulos

MSc in Electronics and Information Processing

October 2015 - February 2018

Patras, Greece

· GPA: 8.9/10.00

University of Patras

- · Thesis: Human Pose Estimation with Convolutional Neural Networks [link]
- · Supervisor: Dr Georgios Economou

BSc in Physics

October 2010 - October 2015

University of Patras

Patras, Greece

Thesis: Content Based Image Retrieval Supervisor: Dr Georgios Economou

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Computer Vision Engineer

 $Oct\ 2023-Feb\ 2024$

Wallbid

London, UK

· Developed and deployed a prototype model for cracked screen detection using ONNX for inference. Contributed to the design of the data collection pipeline, model training, and evaluation.

Research Intern

Mar 2022 - Nov 2022

Samsung AI Center

Cambridge, UK

- · Collaborated on evaluating models for action recognition in kitchen activity datasets. Supported data collection and deployment.
- \cdot Conducted research on spatio-temporal action recognition.

Researcher University of Nottingham

Oct 2018 – Jul 2020 Nottingham, UK · Conducted research on human emotion recognition, adversarial attacks on face recognition, and privacy behaviours on social media platforms.

Data Annotator

Feb 2018 - Sep 2018

Remote

· Contributed to the Shasta Project by annotating geospatial data to improve map accuracy.

· Worked on the integration of binary descriptors into bag-of-features (BoF) pipelines for computer vision applications.

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

- I. Ntinou, A. Xenos, Y. Ouali, A. Bulat, G. Tzimiropoulos. Vision-Free Retrieval: Rethinking Multimodal Search with Textual Scene Descriptions. EMNLP 2025.
- I. Ntinou, E. Sanchez and G. Tzimiropoulos. Multiscale Vision Transformers meet Bipartite Matching for efficient single-stage Action Localization. CVPR 2024.
- I. Ntinou, E. Sanchez and G. Tzimiropoulos. *MeMSVD: Long-Range Temporal Structure Capturing Using Incremental SVD.* ICIP 2024 (Oral).
- I. Ntinou, E. Sanchez, A. Bulat, M. Valstar, and G. Tzimiropoulos. A Transfer Learning approach to Heatmap Regression for Action Unit intensity estimation. TAFCC, 2021. (IF: 10.506)

TEACHING

- Senior Teaching Assistant, Neural Networks & Deep Learning (Python/PyTorch), QMUL, 2021–2024
- Teaching Assistant, Machine Learning (Python/PyTorch), QMUL, 2021 & 2023
- Teaching Assistant, Machine Learning (Matlab/Tensorflow), University of Nottingham, 2019
- Teaching Assistant, Computer Programming (C++/Fortran), University of Patras, 2016

WORKSHOPS, PANELS & INVITED ACTIVITIES

Co-organiser, Binary and Extreme Quantization for Computer Vision, ICCV 2025. [link]

Invited Panelist, "Make your AI greener: A workshop on sustainable AI solutions", IGF 2025, organised by UNESCO. [link] [YouTube]

HONORS AND AWARDS

- Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Award, CVPR 2024; ICIP 2024
- QMUL Studentship, School of Electronic Engineering and Computer Science
- Horizon CDT & Defence Science and Technology Laboratory (DSTL) Scholarship
- Erasmus+ Scholarship
- National Strategic Reference Framework Scholarship

COMMUNITY SERVICE

- Reviewer for CVPR, ICCV, ECCV, IJCV, AAAI, WACV, BMVC, TAFFC, ICIP, Pattern Recognition, and TPAMI.
- Student Volunteer, NeurIPS 2019 & 2020