

Jason Rock

Computer Vision

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Education

- 2012-2019 **PhD, Computer Science**, *The University of Illinois*, Urbana-Champaign, Computer Vision, Advisor: David Forsyth.
- 2008-2012 **BS, Computer Science**, *Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute*, Troy NY, Magna Cum Laude.

Publications

- 2013 K. Karsch, Z. Liao, J. Rock, J. Barron, and D. Hoiem. Boundary cues for 3D object shape recovery. *CVPR 2013*
Z. Liao, J. Rock, and D. Forsyth. Non-parametric filtering for geometric detail extraction and material representation. *CVPR 2013*
- 2015 J. Rock, T. Gupta, J. Thorsen, J. Gwak, D. Shin, D. Hoiem. Completing 3D Object Shape from One Depth Image. *CVPR 2015*
A. Deshpande, J. Rock and D. Forsyth. Learning Large-Scale Automatic Image Colorization *ICCV 2015*
- 2016 J. Rock, T. Issaranon, A. Deshpande, D. Forsyth. Authoring image decompositions with generative models. *Arxiv Dec 2016*
- 2017 J. Rock, T. Issaranon, D. Forsyth. Removing rain, cracks, glare, and reflections with a novel image prior. *Unpublished*
- 2018 A. Bhattad, J. Rock, D. Forsyth. Detecting Anomalous Faces with No Peeking Autoencoders. *Arxiv Jan 2018*
J. Rock, D. Forsyth. Face-TO-Face: Editing face appearance with Transformation Operators. *Unpublished*
- 2019 J. Rock, D. Forsyth. Gravely Unsupervised OCR. *Unpublished*
J. Rock, D. Forsyth. Evaluating Intrinsic Image Models with Reshading. *Unpublished*

Awards

- 2016-2017 Mavis Future Faculty Fellowship

Experience

Academic

- 2012-2019 *Research Assistant* **University of Illinois** Urbana, IL
- Spring 2017 *Teaching Assistant* **University of Illinois** Urbana, IL
CS498 Applied Machine Learning
Held office hours, managed graders, and gave a 2-part lecture on Auto-Encoding.

- 2010-2012 *Undergraduate Researcher* **RPI** Troy, NY
Proposed a new method for correcting color variations caused by inconsistent lighting in underwater images. Currently in use for HABCAM images.
Undergraduate Research Symposium Honorable Mention for Illumination work (Spring 2011)
- Summer 2011 *Guest Student (HABCAM)* **Woods Hole Oceanographic Institute** Woods Hole, MA
Applied computer vision with a focus on illumination correction and substrate identification.

Outreach

- 2013-2014 *Mentor* **Illinois Mathematics and Science Academy** Student Inquiry and Research
https://www.imsa.edu/site_section/student-research/
Advising gifted high school students performing research in computer vision and graphics.
- 2014 *Mentor* **UIUC PURE**
<https://pure.engr.illinois.edu/>
Advising UIUC undergraduates on research projects related to computer vision.

Industry

- Summer 2015 *Software Engineering Intern (Google Research)* **Google** New York NY
Co-learning depth prediction and semantic segmentation from Kinect images using deep nets.
- Summer 2014 *Software Engineering Intern (Steve Seitz)* **Google** Seattle WA
Understanding what's in photographs by combining structure from motion and classification.
- Summer 2013 *Software Engineering Intern (Streetview)* **Google** Mountainview CA
Visually ranking geotagged panoramas using object recognition for Google Maps.
- Summer 2012 *Serverside Quality Assurance Engineering* **Palantir** Palo Alto CA
Created a distributed scripting framework for automation of multi-user testing.
- Summer 2010 *Engineering Intern (Data Center Build Team)* **Cisco Systems** San Jose, CA
Significantly reduced build time for a large non-recursive make system through caching.
Added support for static analysis of disjoint makefile parts.

Technical Skills

- Proficient: Python, PyTorch
Experience: TensorFlow, Matlab, C++, Java,

Leadership and Service

- 2017 **Illinois Admission Committee. Student Member**
- 2015-2017 **Computer Science Graduate Academic Council, Member**
- 2016 **Qualifying Exam Mentor:** Artificial Intelligence
- 2014, 2016 **Illinois Mathematics and Science Academy** Admissions Review Committee
- 2013-2015 **Computer Science Graduate Student Organization, Secretary:** Organize events and perks for graduate students in the department.
- 2012-2016 **PhD Ambassador and Mentor:** Recruit and mentor new graduate students within the department.
- 2011-2012 **RPI Upsilon Pi Epsilon Public Relations Chair:** Ran outreach to industry connections for the RPI UPE chapter.