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EDUCATION	◇ **University of North Carolina**, Chapel Hill, USA	Aug 02 – Aug 08

Ph.D. in Computer Science, August 2009

· Thesis: Silhouettes for calibration and reconstruction from multiple views
· Advisor: Prof. Marc Pollefeys

M.S. in Computer Science, May 2005

◇ **Indian Institute of Technology**, Kanpur, India — Jul 96 – May 00

Bachelor of Technology in Computer Science and Engineering, May 2000.

EXPERIENCE ◇ **Researcher**, Microsoft Research, Redmond — Nov 09 – present
Working on computer vision – visual correspondence estimation, structure from motion, stereo, visual odometry, image-based localization, image-based modeling and rendering; Advising product teams on 3D Vision technologies; Developed and implemented algorithms for Microsoft Photosynth 2 and Microsoft Hyperlapse Pro.

◇ **Postdoctoral Researcher**, Microsoft Research, Redmond — Oct 08 – Nov 09
Developed new stereo matching and 3d computer vision techniques.

◇ **Visiting Scholar**, Institute for Visual Computing, ETH Zurich — May 08 – Jun 08

◇ **Research Assistant**, Computer Science Dept., UNC Chapel Hill — Aug 02 – Aug 08
Worked on camera network calibration and synchronization, active pan-tilt zoom cameras, dense 3D scene reconstruction and real-time computer vision on GPUs.

◇ **Research intern**, Microsoft Live Labs, Redmond — Jun 07 – Aug 07
Developed an interactive system for sketch-based 3D modeling from images.

◇ **Research intern**, Siemens Corporate Research, Princeton — Jun 05 – Aug 05
Implemented a new method for efficient SIFT feature extraction on GPUs.

◇ **Research intern**, Siemens Corporate Research, Princeton — May 04 – Jul 04
Investigated active Pan-Tilt-Zoom camera calibration and image stitching.

◇ **Systems Analyst**, Deloitte Consulting, New York — Oct 00 – Apr 02
Wrote middleware software for financial trading systems.

◇ **Intern**, Institute for Informatik, Univerity of Zurich, — Jul 00 – Sep 00
Developed a web-based distance learning software platform.

◇ **Intern**, Computer Graphics Lab, EPFL, Lausanne, — May 99 – Jul 99
Developed a networking library for distributed virtual environments.

TEACHING ◇ **Instructor**, Introduction to Scientific Programming (Comp116) — Aug 06 – Dec 06
Taught a full semester undergraduate class of 32 students.

HONORS ◇ Outstanding Reviewer, Asian Conference on Computer Vision (ACCV), 2014.

◇ Outstanding Reviewer, IEEE Conf. on Computer Vision & Pattern Recognition (CVPR) 2013.

⋄ Outstanding Reviewer, Asian Conference on Computer Vision (ACCV), 2010.

⋄ Best Demo Award, IEEE Conf. on Computer Vision & Pattern Recognition (CVPR) 2007, member of the *Urbanscape* team from UNC Chapel Hill.

⋄ Recipient of the National Talent Scholarship, India, 1994 – 2000.

JOURNAL PAPERS

⋄ S. You, Y. Matsushita, S. N. Sinha, Y. Bou, K. Ikeuchi, "Multiview Rectification of Folded Documents", IEEE Transactions on Pattern Analysis and Machine Intelligence, (**TPAMI**), [submitted May 2016].

⋄ J. Park, S. N. Sinha, Y. Matsushita, Y. W. Tai, I. S. Kweon, "Robust Multiview Photometric Stereo using Planar Mesh Parameterization", IEEE Transactions on Pattern Analysis and Machine Intelligence, (**TPAMI**), [accepted August 2016].

⋄ H. Lim, S. N. Sinha, M.F. Cohen, M. Uyttendaele and H. Jin Kim, "Real-time monocular image-based 6-DoF localization", International Journal of Robotics Research, (**IJRR**), 34(4-5): pp. 476–492 (2015).

⋄ S. N. Sinha, J.-M.Frahm, M. Pollefeys and Y. Genc, "Feature Tracking and Matching in Video Using Programmable Graphics Hardware", Machine Vision and Applications, (**MVA**), 22(1): pp. 207–217 (2011).

⋄ S. N. Sinha and M. Pollefeys, "Camera Network Calibration and Synchronization from Silhouettes in Archived Video", International Journal of Computer Vision, (**IJCV**), 87(3): pp. 266–283 (2010)

⋄ M. Pollefeys, D. Nister, J.-M. Frahm, A. Akbarzadeh, P. Mordohai, B. Clipp, C. Engels, D. Gallup, S.-J. Kim, P. Merrell, C. Salmi, S. N. Sinha, B. Talton, L. Wang, Q. Yang, H. Stewnius, R. Yang, G. Welch, H. Towles, "Detailed Real-Time Urban 3D Reconstruction from Video", International Journal of Computer Vision, (**IJCV**), 78(2-3): pp. 143–167 (2008).

⋄ S. N. Sinha and M. Pollefeys, "Pan-Tilt-Zoom Camera Calibration and High-Resolution Mosaic Generation", Computer Vision and Image Understanding, (**CVIU**), Special issue on Omnidirectional Vision and Camera Networks, 103(3): pp. 170–183, (2006).

CONFERENCE PAPERS

⋄ J. Park, Y. W. Tai, S. N. Sinha and I. S. Kweon, "Efficient and Robust Color Consistency for Community Photo Collections", *IEEE Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition* (**CVPR**), 2016.

⋄ T. Taniai, S. N. Sinha and Y. Sato, "Joint Recovery of Dense Correspondence and Cosegmentation in Two Images", *IEEE Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition* (**CVPR**), 2016.

⋄ H. Lim and S. N. Sinha, "Monocular Localization of a Moving Person Onboard a Quadrotor MAV", *IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation* (**ICRA**), 2015.

⋄ J. Park, S. N. Sinha, Y. Matsushita, Y. W. Tai, I. S. Kweon, "Calibrating a non-isotropic near point light source using a plane", *IEEE Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition* (**CVPR**), 2014.

⋄ S. N. Sinha, D. Scharstein and R. Szeliski, "Efficient High-Resolution Stereo Matching using Local Plane Sweeps", *IEEE Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition* (**CVPR**), 2014.

⋄ K. Ramnath, S. Baker, L. Vanderwende, M. El-Saban, S. N. Sinha, A. Kannan, N. Hassan, M. Galley, Y. Yang, D. Ramanan, A. Bergamo and L. Torresani, "AutoCaption: Automatic Caption Generation for Personal Photos", *IEEE Winter Conference on Applications of Computer Vision* (**WACV**), 2014.

⋄ K. Ramnath, S. N. Sinha, R. Szeliski and E. Hsiao, "Car make and model recognition using 3d curve alignment", *IEEE Winter Conference on Applications of Computer Vision* (**WACV**), 2014.

⋄ J. Park, S. N. Sinha, Y. Matsushita, Y.W. Tai, I.S. Kweon, "Multiview Photometric Stereo using Planar Mesh Parameterization", *IEEE International Conference on Computer Vision* (**ICCV**), 2013.

⋄ A. Bergamo, S. N. Sinha and L. Torresani, "Leveraging Structure from Motion to Learn Discriminative Codebooks for Scalable Landmark Classification", *IEEE Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition* (**CVPR**), 2013.

⋄ A. Kowdle, S. N. Sinha and R. Szeliski, "Multiple View Object Cosegmentation using Appearance and Stereo Cues", *European Conference on Computer Vision* (**ECCV**), 2012.

⋄ S. N. Sinha, K. Ramnath and R. Szeliski, "Detecting and Reconstructing 3D Mirror Symmetric Objects", *European Conference on Computer Vision* (**ECCV**), 2012.

⋄ S. N. Sinha, J. Kopf, M. Goesele, D. Scharstein and R. Szeliski, "Image-Based Rendering for Scenes with Reflections", *ACM Transactions on Graphics* (**SIGGRAPH**), 31(4), 2012.

⋄ H. Lim, S. N. Sinha, M. Cohen and M. Uyttendaele, "Real-time Image-based 6-DOF Localization in Large-Scale Environments", *IEEE Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition* (**CVPR**), 2012.

⋄ A. Cohen, C. Zach, S. N. Sinha and M. Pollefeys, "Discovering and exploiting 3D symmetries in structure from motion", *IEEE Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition* (**CVPR**), 2012.

⋄ R. Roberts, S. N. Sinha, R. Szeliski and D. Steedly, "Structure from motion for scenes with large duplicate structures", *IEEE Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition* (**CVPR**), 2011.

⋄ M. Bleyer, C. Rother, P. Kohli, D. Scharstein and S. N. Sinha, "Object Stereo - Joint Stereo Matching and Object Segmentation", *IEEE Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition* (**CVPR**), 2011.

⋄ K. Srijan, S. Ahsan, S. N. Sinha and C.V. Jawahar, "Image-based walkthroughs from incremental and partial scene reconstructions", *British Machine Vision Conference* (**BMVC**), 2010.

⋄ S. N. Sinha, D. Steedly and R. Szeliski, "Piecewise Planar Stereo for Image-based Rendering", *IEEE International Conference on Computer Vision* (**ICCV**), 2009.

⋄ S. N. Sinha, D. Steedly, R. Szeliskli, M. Agarwala and M. Pollefeys, "Interactive 3D Architectural Modeling from Unordered Photo Collections", *ACM Transactions on Graphics*, (**SIGGRAPH Asia**), 27(5), 2008.

⋄ S. N. Sinha, P. Mordohai and M. Pollefeys, "Multi-View Stereo via Graph Cuts on the Dual of an Adaptive Tetrahedral Mesh", *IEEE International Conference on Computer Vision* (**ICCV**), 2007.

⋄ L. Guan, S. N. Sinha, J. S. Franco and M. Pollefeys, "Visual Hull Construction in the Presence of Partial Occlusion", *International Symposium on 3D Data Processing, Visualization and Transmission* (**3DPVT**), 2006.

⋄ A. Akbarzadeh, J.-M. Frahm, P. Mordohai, B. Clipp, C. Engels, D. Gallup, P. Merrell, M. Phelps, S. N. Sinha, B. Talton, L. Wang, Q. Yang, H. Stewenius, R. Yang, G. Welch, H. Towles, D. Nister and M. Pollefeys, "Towards Urban 3D Reconstruction From Video", *International Symposium on 3D Data Processing, Visualization and Transmission* (**3DPVT**), 2006.

⋄ S. N. Sinha and M. Pollefeys, "Multi-view Reconstruction using Photo-consistency and Exact Silhouette Constraints: A Maximum-Flow Formulation", *IEEE International Conference on Computer Vision* (**ICCV**), 2005.

⋄ S. N. Sinha M. Pollefeys and S.J. Kim, "High Resolution Multiscale Panoramic Mosaics from Pan-Tilt-Zoom Cameras", *Indian Conf. on Vision, Graphics & Image Processing* (**ICVGIP**), 2004.

⋄ S. N. Sinha and M. Pollefeys, "Visual-Hull Reconstruction from Uncalibrated and Unsynchronized Video Streams", *International Symposium on 3D Data Processing, Visualization and Transmission* (**3DPVT**), 2004.

⋄ S. N. Sinha and M. Pollefeys, "Calibrating a network of cameras from live or archived video", *Advanced Concepts for Intelligent Systems* (**ACIVS**), 2004.

⋄ S. N. Sinha and M. Pollefeys, "Synchronization and Calibration of Camera Networks from Silhouettes", *International Conference on Pattern Recognition* (**ICPR**), 2004.

⋄ M. Pollefeys and S. N. Sinha, "Iso-disparity surfaces for general stereo configurations", *European Conference on Computer Vision* (**ECCV**), 2004.

⋄ S. N. Sinha, M. Pollefeys and L. McMillan, "Camera Network Calibration from Dynamic Silhouettes", *IEEE Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition* (**CVPR**), 2004.

⋄ N. Kelshikar, X. Zabulis, K. Daniilidis, V. Sawant, S. N. Sinha, T. Sparks, S. Larsen, H. Towles, K. M.-Patel, H. Fuchs, J. Urbanic, K. Benninger, R. Reddy, and G. Huntoon, "Real-time Terascale Impementation of Tele-immersion," *International Conference on Computational Science* (**ICCS**), 2003.

⋄ S. Paul, S. N. Sinha and A. Mukerjee, "Virtual Kathakali: Gesture Driven Metamorphosis", *International Conference on Knowledge Based Computer Systems* (**KBCS**), 1998.

WORKSHOP PAPERS

⋄ V. Hedau, S. N. Sinha, C. L. Zitnick and R. Szeliski, "A Memory Efficient Discriminative approach for Location aided Recognition", *Workshop on Visual Analysis and Geo-Localization of Large-Scale Imagery*, (ECCV Workshop), 2012.

⋄ H. Lim and S. N. Sinha, "Towards Real-Time Semantic Localization", *Workshop on Semantic Perception and Mapping*, (ICRA Workshop), 2012.

⋄ S. N. Sinha, D. Steedly and R. Szeliski, "A multi-stage linear approach to structure from motion", *Workshop on Reconstruction and Modeling of Large-Scale 3D Virtual Environments*, (ECCV Workshop), 2010.

⋄ S. N. Sinha, J.-M. Frahm, M. Pollefeys and Y. Genc, "GPU-based Video Feature Tracking and Matching", *Workshop on Edge Computing using New Commodity Architectures*, (EDGE), Chapel Hill, 2006.

⋄ S. N. Sinha and M. Pollefeys, "Towards Calibrating a Pan-Tilt-Zoom Camera Network", *Workshop on Omnidirectional Vision and Camera Networks*, (OMNIVIS), 2004.

⋄ H. Towles, S.U. Kum, T. Sparks, S. N. Sinha, S. Larsen and N. Beddes, "Transport and Rendering Challenges of Multi-Stream 3D Tele-Immersion Data", *Workshop on Collaborative Virtual Reality and Visualization* (CVRV), 2003.

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⋄ S. N. Sinha, V. Hedau, C. L. Zitnick and R. Szeliski, "A Memory Efficient Discriminative Approach for Location-Aided Recognition", *Visual Analysis and Geo-Localization of Large Scale Imagery*, Springer, 2016 (expected).

⋄ S. N. Sinha, "Multiview stereo", *Encyclopedia of Computer Vision*, K. Ikeuchi, M. Hebert and L. Quan (Eds.), Springer, 2014.

⋄ S. N. Sinha, "Pan/Tilt/Zoom (PTZ) camera setup", *Encyclopedia of Computer Vision*, K. Ikeuchi, M. Hebert and L. Quan (Eds.), Springer, 2014.

⋄ M. Pollefeys, S. N. Sinha, L. Guan, J.-S. Franco, "Multiview Calibration Synchronization and Dynamic Scene Reconstruction", *Multi-Camera Networks: Principles and Applications*, H. Aghajan and A. Cavallaro (Eds.), ELSEVIER, May 2009, ISBN-13: 978-0-12-374633-7.

⋄ M. Pollefeys, S. N. Sinha and J. Yan, "Calibration and Shape Recovery from Videos of Dynamic Scenes", *Computational Vision in Neural and Machine Systems,* L. Harris and M. Jenkins (Eds.), Cambridge University Press, 2007.

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⋄ "Image capture and ordering", with B. Arcas, M. Unger and others, *Patent App. 13/826091.*

⋄ "Synth Packet For Interactive View Navigation Of A Scene", with M. Unger, B. Arcas, R. Szeliski and M. Uyttendaele, *Patent App. 13/826423.*

⋄ "Translated View Navigation For Visualizations", with M. Unger, B. Arcas, D. Barnett, C. Messer, E. Stollnitz, T. Pylvaenaeinen, *Patent App. 13/804543.*

⋄ "Object identification using 3-d curve matching", with E. Hsiao, K. Ramnath, S. Baker, C. L. Zitnick and R. Szeliski, *US Patent 9111349 B2, August 2015.*

⋄ "Location-aided Recognition", with V. Hedau, C. L. Zitnick and R. Szeliski, *US Patent 9152882 B2, October 2015.*

⋄ "Three Dimensional Object Browsing in Documents", with J. Kopf, E. Stollnitz, G. Zweig and R. Szeliski, *US Patent 9025860 B2, February 2015.*

⋄ "Navigation Model To Render Centered Objects Using Images", with J. Kopf, E. Stollnitz and R. Szeliski, *US Patent 8675049, March 2014.*

⋄ "Image Based Localization", with H. Lim, M. Cohen and M. Uyttendaele, *US Patent 8798357 B2, August, 2014.*

⋄ "Performing Structure from Motion for Unordered Images Of a Scene With Multiple Object Instances", with R. Roberts, R. Szeliski and D. Steedly, *US Patent 8620095, December 2013.*

⋄ "Multi-stage Linear Structure from Motion", with D. Steedly and R. Szeliski, *US Patent 8837811, September 2014.*

⋄ "Piecewise Planar Rendering Of Three-Dimensional Scenes", with D. Steedly and R. Szeliskli, *US Patent 8933925, January 2015.*

⋄ "Using Photo Collections for Three Dimensional Modeling", with D. Steedly, R. Szeliski and M. Agarwala, *US Patent 9001120, April 2015.*

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⋄ S. N. Sinha, "Calibration of a heterogeneous network of color and depth cameras", *Canesta Design Contest (Phase I)* winner, January 2005.

⋄ S. N. Sinha, "Graph Cut Algorithms in Vision, Graphics and Machine Learning", *Research survey paper*, UNC Chapel Hill, December, 2004.

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

⋄ **Organizing Committee:**

Area Chair, 3DV 2016.

Industry and Demo Chair, 3rd Joint 3DIM/3DPVT Conference (3DV 2013).

⋄ **Conference Program Committee Member:**

ACM Multimedia Conference 2016.

IEEE Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR) 2009–2016.

3D Processing, Visualization and Transmission (3DPVT 2012, 3DV 2013, 2014, 2015).

Asian Conference on Computer Vision (ACCV) 2009, 2010, 2012, 2014, 2016.

European Conference on Computer Vision (ECCV) 2008, 2010, 2012, 2014, 2016.

IEEE International Conference on Computer Vision (ICCV) 2009, 2011, 2013, 2015.

Indian Conference on Vision, Graphics and Image Processing (ICVGIP) 2010, 2012, 2014, 2016.

Conf. on Computer Vision, Pattern Recognition, Image Proc.& Graphics(NCVPRIPG 2011).

⋄ **Workshop Program Committee Member:**

Workshop on Performance Metrics for Correspondence Problems (CVPR 2015).

Ground Truth - What is a good dataset ? (CVPR 2013 Workshop).

Workshop on Unsolved Problems in Optic Flow and Stereo Estimation (ECCV 2012).

Consumer Depth Cameras for Computer Vision (ECCV 2012 Workshop).

Vision and Graphics Computing for Multimedia Communications (ICME 2011 Workshop).

Reconstruction and Modeling of Large-Scale 3D Virtual Environments (ECCV 2010 Workshop).

Computer Vision on GPUs (CV-GPU) (ECCV 2010 Workshop).

Dynamic 3D Imaging (DAGM 2009 Workshop).

Time of Flight Camera based Computer Vision (TOF–CV), (CVPR 2008 Workshop).

⋄ **Conference Reviewer:**

CVPR 2006–2008, ICCV 2007, ECCV 2006, WACV 2008, SIGGRAPH 2008–2014, SIGGRAPH Asia 2009–2012, 2016, EuroGraphics 2012, 2014, 2015, 2016, ICRA 2015, 2016, IROS 2016.

⋄ **Journal Reviewer**

ACM Transaction on Graphics (ToG),

International Journal of Computer Vision (IJCV),

IEEE Transactions on Pattern Analysis and Machine Intelligence (PAMI),

IEEE Transactions on Visualization and Computer Graphics (TVCG),

IEEE Transactions of Computational Imaging (TCI),

Computer Vision and Image Understanding (CVIU),

Journal of Visual Communication and Image Representation (JVCI),

Machine Vision and Applications (MVA),

Image and Visual Computing (IVC).

Optics Express.

INVITED TALKS

⋄ *Correspondence Estimation in Images: New Techniques and Applications*, GRAIL seminar, University of Washington, Seattle, April 2016.

⋄ *Efficient high-resolution stereo matching using local plane sweeps*, CVPR Workshop on Registration of Very Large Images, June 2014.

⋄ *Recent work in image-based rendering from unstructured image collections and remaining challenges*, Dynamic Maps Dagstuhl Seminar, September 2010.

⋄ *Parallel Computer Vision Algorithms*, (with Rick Szeliski and Sameer Agarwal), UPCRC Multicore Applications Workshop, Microsoft Research, May 2009.

⋄ *Multi-view approaches for camera calibration and image-based modeling*, Candidate Talk, Microsoft Research, April 2008.

⋄ *Silhouettes for calibration and reconstruction from multiple views*, Indian Institute of Information Technology, (IIIT) Hyderabad, April 2007.

⋄ *Computer Vision using GPUs*, Guest lecture, UNC Chapel Hill, February 2007.

⋄ *Feature tracking and matching*, Guest lecture, UNC Chapel Hill, August 2006.

⋄ *Graph Cuts for Discrete Optimization*, Guest lecture, UNC Chapel Hill, April 2005.

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