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## Education

- 2009–2014 **Ph.D. in Computer Science**, *School of Electrical and Computer Engineering*, National Technical University of Athens, Greece.  
Ph.D. Thesis: Clustering and nearest neighbor methods for visual search
- 2002–2009 **Diploma/M.Eng. in Electrical and Computer Engineering**, *School of Electrical and Computer Engineering*, National Technical University of Athens, Athens, Greece.  
Diploma Thesis: Content- and geometry-based image retrieval

## Working experience

- Feb 2017 – Present **Research Scientist**, *Facebook Research*, Menlo Park, CA,  
Research and development on video understanding, representations, temporal segmentation, web-scale learning, visual relationship detection, multi-modal learning.
- Jan 2015 – Dec 2016 **Postdoctoral Researcher & Research Scientist (2016)**, *Yahoo Research*, San Francisco, CA,  
(2 years) Research and development on web-scale visual search, image & video representation, multi-modal classification, personal media search, vision and language.
- 2009–2014 **Image Video and Multimedia Laboratory, School of Electrical and Computer Engineering, National Technical University of Athens**, *Research and Development in FP7 European Projects*, Notably:  
(5 years) 2009: Imagination (under ICCS/NTUA)  
2009-2011: WEKNOWIT (under CERTH/ITI) .

## Scientific Publication, Patent & Citation Records

- Publications Papers published in CVPR, NeurIPS, ICCV, ECCV, TPAMI, IJCV, CVIU, WSDM, CHI and other.
- Citations Google Scholar citations: **1466 citations, h-index: 14, i10-index: 16** (March 2019)
- Patents 2 US Patents, 4 US Patent Applications & 2 Defensive Publications.

## Teaching experience

- Fall 2016 **Guest lecturer at CS131 - Computer Vision: Foundations and Applications**, *Computer Science Department*, Stanford University, Course taught by Prof. Fei-Fei Li and Juan Carlos Niebles.  
I was invited to give three lectures on basic computer vision principles (motion, gestalt and segmentation).
- 2009–2014 **Image and Video Analysis, Lab assistant/lecturer**, *School of Electrical and Computer Engineering*, National Technical University of Athens, Greece.
- 2010–2014 **Programming Techniques, Teaching Assistant**, *School of Electrical and Computer Engineering*, National Technical University of Athens, Greece.
- 2009–2010 **Introduction to Programming, Teaching Assistant**, *School of Electrical and Computer Engineering*, National Technical University of Athens, Greece.
- Summer 2019 **Tutorial on Visual Search and Question Answerin**, *International Conference on Multimedia Expo (ICME)*, 2019, Together with Lu Jiang (Google AI) and Liangliang Cao (UMass).  
(accepted)

## Recommendation Letters

The following scientists would be willing to provide strong recommendation letters.  
*Please contact them in the following order.*

**Yannis Avrithis**, *Senior Researcher, Inria Rennes*, (PhD Supervisor).

**Simon Osindero**, *Senior Researcher, Deepmind*, (Close collaborator at Yahoo Research).

**Marcus Rohrbach**, *Senior Researcher, Facebook AI Research*, (Close collaborator at Facebook).

**David A. Shamma**, *Senior Researcher, FXPAL*, (Postdoc Supervisor).

**Laura Sevilla-Lara**, *Lecturer, University of Edinburgh*, (Collaborator, Co-author).

**Ricardo Baeza-Yates**, *Professor, Universitat Pompeu Fabra, Universidad de Chile & CTO at NTENT*, (Director at Yahoo Research).

**Stefanos Kollias**, *Professor, National Technical University of Athens*, (PhD Supervisor).

**Ioannis Emiris**, *Professor, University of Athens*, (Co-author).

**Petros Maragos**, *Professor, National Technical University of Athens*, (PhD Committee).

**Giorgos Tolias**, *Researcher, CMP, University of Prague*, (Co-author).

**Lyndon Kennedy**, *Senior Researcher, FXPAL*, (Internship Supervisor).

**Li-Jia Li**, *Associate Professor, Stanford*, (Co-author, Internship Mentor).

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## Awards & Scholarships

- 2017 **Outstanding Reviewer Award**, *International Conference on Computer Vision*, (ICCV).
- 2016 **Best Paper Award**, *NIPS Large-Scale Computer Vision Systems Workshop*.
- 2015 **Outstanding Reviewer Award**, *International Conference on Computer Vision*, (ICCV).
- 2013 **Thomaidion Award for Scientific Publication**, *Getting the Look: Clothing Recognition and Segmentation for Automatic Clothing Suggestions in Everyday Photos*, National Technical University of Athens.
- 2012 **Thomaidion Award for Scientific Publication**, *VIRaL: Visual Image Retrieval and Localization*, National Technical University of Athens.
- 2011 **Thomaidion Award for Scientific Publication**, *Retrieving landmark and non-landmark images from community photo collections*, National Technical University of Athens.
- 2005 **Erasmus Scholarship**, *Exchange Studies at Lund Univesity*, Lund, Sweden.

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## Invited Talks

**Computer Vision Center (CVC)**, *Learning Spatiotemporal Video Representations*, Invited talk, September 18th 2018, Barcelona, Spain.

**University of California Berkeley**, *Learning Video Representations*, Guest Lecturer at CS 189, August 8th 2018, Berkeley, CA.

**University of San Francisco**, *Pushing the Frontiers of Video Understanding*, Seminar Series in Data Science, April 20th 2018, San Francisco, CA.

**Universita Politecnica Catalunya**, *Computer Vision at Facebook research*, Deep Learning Open Lecture, November 20th 2017, Barcelona, Spain.

**Columbia University**, Digital Video and Multimedia Laboratory, invited by Prof. Shih-Fu Chang, August 19th 2014, New York, NY.

**Stanford University**, Image, Video and Multimedia Systems Group, invited by Prof. Bernd Girod, August 1st 2014, Stanford, CA.

**FXPAL**, *Nearest Neighbor Search and Clustering for Large Scale Visual Search*, Fuji-Xerox Palo Alto Laboratory, July 29th 2014, Palo Alto, CA.

**Stanford University**, Stanford Vision Lab, invited by Prof. Fei-Fei Li, July 28th 2014, Stanford, CA.

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## Reviewer in journals

- 2016–today **Transactions on Pattern Analysis and Machine Intelligence**, [PAMI], IEEE.
- 2016–today **Computer Vision and Image Understanding**, [CVIU], Elsevier.
- 2015–today **Signal Processing Letters**, [SPL], IEEE.
- 2015–today **Transactions on Knowledge and Data Engineering**, [TKDE], IEEE.
- 2015–today **The VLDB Journal**, [VLDBJ], Springer.
- 2015–today **Transactions on Image Processing**, [TIP], IEEE.
- 2010–2016 **Multimedia Tools and Applications**, [MTAP], Springer.
- 2012–2016 **Signal Processing: Image Communication**, [SPIC], Elsevier.

- 2014–2016 **Transactions on Circuits and Systems for Video Technology**, [CSVT], IEEE.
- 2015–2016 **Transactions on Intelligent Systems and Technology**, [TIST], ACM.
- 2014–today **Transactions on Multimedia**, [TMM], IEEE.

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## Organizer/Committee member in conferences & workshops

- 2019 **Workshop on Computer Vision for Global Challenges, CVPR 2019**, *Lead Organizer*.
- 2016–today **IEEE Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition**, *Technical Program Committee Member*, [CVPR].
- 2016–today **IEEE European Conference on Computer Vision**, *Technical Program Committee Member*, [ECCV].
- 2015–today **IEEE International Conference on Computer Vision**, *Technical Program Committee Member*, [ICCV], (**Outstanding Reviewer Award** in 2015 and 2017).
- 2013–today **ACM Multimedia Conference**, *Technical Program Committee Member*, [ACM-MM].
  - 2011 **IEEE Workshop on Content-based Multimedia Indexing**, *Technical Program Committee Member*, [CBMI].
  - 2009 **IEEE Workshop on Content-based Multimedia Indexing**, *Local Chair Member*, [CBMI].

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## Development projects

- VIRaL Principal developer in the Visual Image Retrieval and Localization tool (On-line demo: <http://viral.image.ntua.gr>).
- LOPQ Principal developer in the open source code for Locally Optimized Product Quantization (Available on Yahoo's github: <https://github.com/yahoo/lopq>).
- Crow Principal developer in the open source code for Cross-dimensional feature Weighting for convolutional features (Available on Yahoo's github: <https://github.com/yahoo/crow>).

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## Patents & Defensive Publications

- US Patent **Visual Clothing Retrieval**, *Lyndon Kennedy, Li-Jia Li, Ioannis Kalantidis*, US Patent 9,460,518, Pub. Date: 4 October 2016.
- US Patent **Locally optimized feature space encoding of digital data and retrieval using such encoding**, *Lyndon Kennedy, Ioannis Kalantidis, David Shamma*, US Patent 9,659,214, Pub. Date: 2017/5/23.
- US Patent Application **Method and system for selecting supplemental content using visual appearance**, *Ioannis Kalantidis, Lyndon Kennedy, Ayman Farahat, Ricardo Baeza-Yates, Simon Osindero and David A. Shamma*, US Patent App. 15/097,658, 2017/10/19.
- US Patent Application **Content sharing recommendations**, *Bart Thomee, Andrew Stadlen, Austin Shoemaker, Ioannis Kalantidis, Dan Tasse and David A. Shamma*, US Patent App. 15/134,633, 2017/10/26.
- US Patent Application **Computerized system and method for modifying a media file by automatically applying security features to select portions of media file content**, *Bart Thomee, Ioannis Kalantidis, Lyndon Kennedy*, US Patent App. 15/190,315, 2017/12/28.
- US Patent Application **Selective content insertion into areas of media objects**, *Bart Thom  le, Ioannis Kalantidis, Clayton Ellis Mellina, Simon Osindero*, US Patent App. 15/204,450, 2018/1/11.
- Defensive Publication **Scalable Triangulation-based Logo Recognition**, *Yannis Kalantidis, Michele Trevisiol, Llu  s Garcia Pueyo and Roelof van Zwol*, Defensive Publication, Docket No.: ID11-7243, Pub. Date: April 29 2011.
- Defensive Publication **Cross-dimensional Weighting for Aggregated Deep Convolutional Features**, *Yannis Kalantidis, Clayton Mellina, Simon Osindero, David A. Shamma and Gerry Pesavento*, Defensive Publication, Docket No.: ID15-11464, Pub. Date: TBD.

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## Programming skills

- Programming Python, C/C++, Matlab, PIG.  
Familiar with Java, HIVE.
- Other Caffe, Tensorflow, Hadoop, Spark, OpenCV, L  T  X, Pgfplots

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## Professional Memberships

2009–today **Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers, [IEEE].**

2009–today **Technical Chamber of Greece, [GTC].**

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## Languages

Greek Native  
English Fluent  
German Basic

*Certificate of Proficiency in English*  
*Zertificat Deutsch als Fremdsprache, Test DaF (grade 3)*

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## List of Publications

### Selected publications

- Y. Chen, M. Rohrbach, Z. Yan, Y. Shuicheng, J. Feng, **Y. Kalantidis**. Graph-Based Global Reasoning Networks. In *Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR)*, 2019.
- L. Zhou, **Y. Kalantidis**, X. Chen, J. Corso, M. Rohrbach. Grounded Video Description. In *Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR)*, 2019.
- B. Xiong, **Y. Kalantidis**, D. Ghadiyaram, K. Grauman. Less is More: Learning Highlight Detection from Video Duration. In *Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR)*, 2019.
- Z. Shou, Z. Yan, **Y. Kalantidis**, L. Sevilla-Lara, M. Rohrbach, X. Lin, S.-F. Chang. DMC-Net: Generating Discriminative Motion Cues for Fast Compressed Video Action Recognition. In *Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR)*, 2019.
- J. Liang, L. Jiang, L. Cao, **Y. Kalantidis**, L.J. Li and A. Hauptmann. Focal Visual-Text Attention for Memex Question Answering In *IEEE Transactions on Pattern Analysis and Machine Intelligence (TPAMI)*, 2019.
- J. Zhang, **Y. Kalantidis**, M. Rohrbach, M. Paluri A. Elgammal, M. Elhoseiny. Large-Scale Visual Relationship Understanding. In *AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence (AAAI)*, 2019.
- Y. Chen, **Y. Kalantidis**, J. Li, Y. Shuicheng, J. Feng. Double Attention Networks. In *Neural Information Processing (NeurIPS)*, 2018.
- Y. Chen, **Y. Kalantidis**, J. Li, Y. Shuicheng, J. Feng. Multi-Fiber Networks. In *European Conference on Computer Vision (ECCV)*, 2018.
- R. Krishna, Y. Zhu, O. Groth, J. Johnson, K. Hata, J. Kravitz, S. Chen, **Y. Kalantidis**, L.-J. Li, D.A. Shamma, M. Bernstein and L. Fei-Fei. Visual Genome: Connecting Language and Vision Using Crowdsourced Dense Image Annotations. In *International Journal of Computer Vision (IJCV)*, 2017.
- S. Chancellor, **Y. Kalantidis**, J.A. Pater, M. De Choudhury, D.A. Shamma Multimodal Classification of Moderated Online Pro-Eating Disorder Content. In *Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems (CHI)*, 2017.
- L. Jiang, **Y. Kalantidis**, L. Cao, S. Farfadi, J. Tang and A. Hauptmann. Delving Deep into Personal Photo and Video Search. In *Web Search and Data Mining (WSDM)*, 2017.
- P. Garrigues, S. Farfadi, H. Izadinia, K. Boakye and **Y. Kalantidis**. Tag Prediction at Flickr: a View from the Darkroom. In *Large Scale Computer Vision Systems Workshop, NeurIPS, 2016, Best Paper Award Winner*.
- Y. Kalantidis**, C. Mellina and S. Osindero. Cross-dimensional Weighting for Aggregated Deep Convolutional Features. In *Web-scale Vision and Social Media (VSM) Workshop, ECCV*, 2016.
- Y. Kalantidis**, A. Farahat, L. Kennedy, R. Baeza-Yates and D.A. Shamma. Visual Congruent Ads for Image Search. In *International Conference on Pattern Recognition (ICPR)*, 2016.
- Y. Kalantidis**, L. Kennedy, H. Nguyen, C. Mellina and D.A. Shamma. LOH and behold: Web-scale visual search, recommendation and clustering using Locally Optimized Hashing. In *Web-scale Vision and Social Media (VSM) Workshop, ECCV*, 2016.
- Y. Avrithis, **Y. Kalantidis**, E. Anagnostopoulos and I. Z. Emiris. Web-scale image clustering revisited. In *International Conference on Computer Vision (oral) (ICCV)*, Santiago, Chile, December 2015.
- Y. Kalantidis** and Y. Avrithis. Locally Optimized Product Quantization for Approximate Nearest Neighbor Search. In *Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR)*, Columbus, OH, June 2014.
- G. Toliás, **Y. Kalantidis**, and Y. Avrithis. Towards large-scale geometry indexing by feature selection. *Computer Vision and Image Understanding (CVIU)*, March 2014.
- Y. Kalantidis**, L. Kennedy and L.-J. Li. Getting the Look: Clothing Recognition and Segmentation for Automatic Clothing Suggestions in Everyday Photos. In *International Conference on Multimedia Retrieval (Oral paper) (ICMR)*, Dallas, TX, April 2013.

- Y. Avrithis and Y. **Kalantidis**. Approximate gaussian mixtures for large scale vocabularies. In *European Conference on Computer Vision (ECCV)*, Florence, Italy, October 2012.
- G. Toliás, Y. **Kalantidis**, and Y. Avrithis. Symcity: Feature selection by symmetry for large scale image retrieval. In *ACM Multimedia (Oral paper) (MM 2012)*, Nara, Japan, October 2012. ACM.
- Y. Avrithis, Y. **Kalantidis**, G. Toliás, and E. Spyrou. Retrieving landmark and non-landmark images from community photo collections. In *ACM Multimedia (Oral paper) (ACM MM 2010)*, Firenze, Italy, October 2010.
- Y. Avrithis, G. Toliás, and Y. **Kalantidis**. Feature map hashing: Sub-linear indexing of appearance and global geometry. In *ACM Multimedia (Oral paper) (ACM MM 2010)*, Firenze, Italy, October 2010.
- Y. **Kalantidis**, LG. Pueyo, M. Trevisiol, R. van Zwol, and Y. Avrithis. Scalable triangulation-based logo recognition. In *International Conference on Multimedia Retrieval*, Trento, Italy, April 2011.
- Y. **Kalantidis**, G. Toliás, Y. Avrithis, M. Phinikettos, E. Spyrou, P. Mylonas, and S. Kollias. Viral: Visual image retrieval and localization. *Multimedia Tools and Applications (MTAP)*, 2011.

### Other publications

- L Jiang, LL Cao, Y Kalantidis, S Farfade, AG Hauptmann. Visual Memory QA: Your Personal Photo and Video Search Agent In *AAAI*, demo presentation, 2017.
- Y Kalantidis, C Xu, C Mellina Do Silhouettes Dream? *Creativity & Cognition*, Art Track, 2017.
- I. Kollia, Y. Kalantidis, K. Rapantzikos, and A. Stafylopatis. Improving semantic search in digital libraries using multimedia analysis. In *Journal of Multimedia*, vol. 7, no 2, pp. 193-204, 2012.
- I. Kollia, Y. Kalantidis, K. Rapantzikos, and S. Kollias. Visual analysis for semantic search in digital libraries. In *Constantinides International Workshop on Signal Processing (CIWSP 2013)*, London, 2013.
- E. Spyrou, Y. Kalantidis, G. Toliás, Ph. Mylonas, and S. Kollias. Intelligent content retrieval using a visual vocabulary and geometric constraints. In *FUZZ-IEEE 2010, in conjunction with The 2010 IEEE World Congress on Computational Intelligence (WCCI 2010)*, July 2010.
- S. Papadopoulos, C. Zigkolis, G. Toliás, Y. Kalantidis, P. Mylonas, Y. Kompatsiaris, and A. Vakali. Image clustering through community detection on hybrid image similarity graphs. In *International Conference on Image Processing (ICIP 2010)*, Hong Kong, September 2010.
- E. Spyrou, Y. Kalantidis, and Ph. Mylonas. Exploiting a region-based visual vocabulary towards efficient concept retrieval. In *in Proceedings of Recognising and tracking events on the Web and in real life, in conjunction with SETN 2010 (EVENTS 2010)*, May 2010.
- Y. Kalantidis, E. Spyrou, Ph. Mylonas, and S. Kollias. Using a region and visual word approach towards semantic image retrieval. In *Workshop on Semantic Media Adaptation and Personalization (SMAP 2010)*, Limassol, Cyprus, December 2010.
- Y. Kalantidis, G. Toliás, E. Spyrou, Ph. Mylonas, Y. Avrithis, and S. Kollias. Visual image retrieval and localization. In *Greek Electrical and Computer Engineering Student Conference*, Thessaloniki, Greece, April 2009.
- Y. Kalantidis, G. Toliás, E. Spyrou, Ph. Mylonas, and Y. Avrithis. Visual image retrieval and localization. In *International Workshop on Content-Based Multimedia Indexing (CBMI 2009)*, Chania, Greece, June 2009.
- Y. Kalantidis. Content- and geometry-based image search. *Diploma Thesis (National Technical University of Athens)*, Athens, Greece, February 2009.