

SERGIO TASCON MORALES

Ph.D. Candidate



PROFILE

I am a highly motivated close-to-thesis-defense Ph.D. student at the University of Bern, specializing in Language Processing and Computer Vision. Known for my structured approach and attention to detail, I consistently deliver results within specified timelines. Additionally, I possess excellent teamwork skills, appreciating and valuing diverse perspectives, personalities, and cultural backgrounds.



EDUCATION






11.2020 - 05.2024
Bern, CH

Ph.D. in Biomedical Engineering
University of Bern

- › Developing solutions in the topic of Visual Question Answering (VQA).
- › Thesis title: Spatial Awareness and Logic for Robust Visual Question Answering.

09.2018 - 09.2020
Le Creusot, FR
Cassino, IT
Girona, ES
Heidelberg, DE

Erasmus+ Joint Master in Medical Imaging and Applications (MAIA)
University of Burgundy, University of Cassino, University of Girona

- › Thesis title: Multiple Sclerosis Lesion Segmentation Using Longitudinal Normalization and Convolutional Recurrent Neural Networks.
- › Major academic projects include:
 - Left ventricle segmentation using K-Means and Active Contours 
 - Classification of Chest X-Ray images using Deep Learning 
 - Segmentation and classification of breast mass lesions using grayscale morphological operations and decision trees 
 - Classification of skin lesions using classical machine learning and deep learning 
 - 3D Harris corner detector 

10.2015 - 03.2016
Ilmenau, DE

Exchange Semester
Ilmenau University of Technology

- › Exchange semester during Young Engineers program of the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD).

02.2011 - 12.2017
Cali, CO

Electronic Engineering
Universidad del Valle


- › Main focus on machine learning and computer vision.



WORK EXPERIENCE

02.2020 - 10.2020
Heidelberg, DE

Research Intern
Mediri GmbH

- › Developing my master thesis on segmentation of multiple sclerosis lesions using a combination of CNNs and RNNs. 
- › Leveraging temporal information in longitudinal MRI data to improve segmentation quality.

INFO





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Nationality

Colombian



Marital status

Single



Residence permit

Type B

You are allowed to hire me 

KEY COMPUTER SKILLS

Programming Languages

Python
C/C++
Matlab

Libraries / Frameworks

PyTorch
PyTorch Lightning
Tensorflow + Keras
HuggingFace
LangChain
OpenCV
NLTK
NumPy
SpaCy
Scikit Learn
Pandas

Tools / Platforms

Git
Azure
SLURM
VSCode
ITK-Snap
LaTeX

COMPETENCES

AI Skills

General machine learning
Convolutional neural networks (CNN)
Transformers
Vision transformers (ViT)
Large language models (LLM)
Retrieval-augmented Generation (RAG)
Multimodal LLMs
Parameter efficient finetuning (PEFT)
Recurrent neural networks (RNN)
Dataset creation
Automatic report generation
Computer aided diagnosis (CAD)
Image segmentation
Image registration

General

Time management
Problem solving
Teamwork
Adaptability
Creativity
Independent work
Critical thinking
Attention to detail

LANGUAGES

Spanish	Native
English	Advanced (C1)
German	Advanced (C1)
Swiss German	Intermediate (B1)
Italian	Intermediate (B1)
French	Basic (A1)
Turkish	Basic (A1)
Russian	Basic (A1)

03.2016 - 07.2016
Maulburg, DE

Research Intern
Endress & Hauser

- › Evaluating Python as an alternative for future use in the company.
- › Analyzing models for pressure sensor linearization.



PUBLICATIONS

2024

Targeted Visual Prompting for Medical Visual Question Answering

International Conference on Medical Image Computing and Computer-Assisted Intervention (MICCAI). Co-authors: P. Márquez-Neila, R. Sznitman [submitted].

2023

Logical Implications for Visual Question Answering Consistency

IEEE/CVF Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR). Co-authors: P. Márquez-Neila, R. Sznitman.

2022

Consistency-Preserving Visual Question Answering in Medical Imaging

International Conference on Medical Image Computing and Computer-Assisted Intervention (MICCAI). Co-authors: P. Márquez-Neila, R. Sznitman.

2020

Multiple Sclerosis Lesion Segmentation Using Longitudinal Normalization and Convolutional Recurrent Neural Networks

Workshop on Machine Learning In Clinical Neuroimaging at the International Conference on Medical Image Computing and Computer-Assisted Intervention (MICCAI). Co-authors: S. Hoffmann, M. Treiber, D. Mensing, A. Oliver, M. Günther, J. Gregori.



HONORS & AWARDS

2020

Le Creusot, FR

Best master thesis award

University of Burgundy, University of Cassino, University of Girona

2020

Le Creusot, FR

Best student award

University of Burgundy, University of Cassino, University of Girona

2018

Girona, ES

Erasmus+ grant

European Union

2017

Cali, CO

Bachelor final project with distinction

Universidad del Valle

2015

Cali, CO

Scholarship Young Engineers

German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD)

2009

Ginebra, CO

Best middle school graduate

Institución Educativa Inmaculada Concepción



HOBBIES & INTERESTS



Violin



Hiking



Drawing



Reading



Football