

# Dr. Mennatullah Siam

Curriculum Vitae

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*Research* Computer Vision, Deep Learning, Few-shot Learning,  
Video Segmentation, Video Understanding.  
*Status* Canadian Citizen  
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## ACADEMIC POSITIONS

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**Assistant Professor** 7/2023  
*Ontario Tech University, Engineering and Applied Sciences, Full time.*  
Image and Video Understanding (IVU) Lab

**Affiliate Professor** 3/2024  
*University of British Columbia, Computer Science.*

**Assistant Professor-Term** 2/22-7/22  
*Nile University, Information Technology and Computer Science, Part time.*  
Teaching Computer Vision CIT-690 Course

## EDUCATION

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**PhD in Computing Science** 2015-2021  
*University of Alberta*  
Under supervision of Professor Martin Jagersand.  
Thesis Title: learning video object segmentation from limited labeled data.  
Thesis Nominated for Department Award.

**MSc. in Communication and Information Technology** 2010-2013  
*Nile University*  
Under supervision of Dr. Mohamed ElHelw.  
Thesis Title: Robust Target Detection and Tracking.

**BSc. in Computer Science** 2006-2010  
*Ainshams University*

## PUBLICATIONS

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- [1] Mennatullah Siam, "Learning video object segmentation from limited labelled data," *PhD thesis, University of Alberta*, 2021.
- [2] Rayat Mir Hossain, Mennatullah Siam, Leonid Sigal, and Jim Little, "Visual prompting for generalized few-shot segmentation: A multi-scale approach," in *Proceedings of the IEEE/CVF Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition*, 2024.
- [3] Mai Gamal, Mohamed Rashad, Eman Ehab, Seif Eldawlatly, and Mennatullah Siam, "System identification of neural systems: Going beyond images to modelling dynamics," *arXiv preprint arXiv:2402.12519*, 2024.

- [4] Rezaul Karim, He Zhao, Richard P. Wildes, and Mennatullah Siam, “MED-VT: Multiscale encoder-decoder video transformer with application to object segmentation,” in *Proceedings of the IEEE/CVF Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition*, 2023.
- [5] Raghav Goyal, Wan-Cyuan Fan, Mennatullah Siam, and Leonid Sigal, “M3t: Multi-scale memory matching for video object segmentation and tracking,” *arXiv preprint arXiv:2312.08514*, 2023.
- [6] Rezaul Karim, He Zhao, Richard P. Wildes, and Mennatullah Siam, “A unified multiscale encoder-decoder transformer for video segmentation,” in *IEEE Transactions on Pattern Analysis and Machine Intelligence (under review)*, 2024.
- [7] Matthew Kowal, Mennatullah Siam, Md Amirul Islam, Neil D.B. Bruce, Richard P. Wildes, and Konstantinos G. Derpanis, “A deeper dive into what deep spatiotemporal networks encode: Quantifying static vs. dynamic information,” in *Proceedings of the IEEE/CVF Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition*, 2022, pp. 13999–14009.
- [8] Mennatullah Siam\*, Naren Doraiswamy\*, Boris N. Oreshkin\*, Hengshuai Yao, and Martin Jägersand (\* equally contributing), “Weakly supervised few-shot object segmentation using co-attention with visual and semantic embeddings,” in *Proceedings of the Twenty-Ninth International Joint Conference on Artificial Intelligence*, 2020, pp. 860–867.
- [9] Mennatullah Siam, Boris N. Oreshkin, and Martin Jagersand, “AMP: Adaptive masked proxies for few-shot segmentation,” in *Proceedings of the IEEE International Conference on Computer Vision*, 2019, pp. 5249–5258.
- [10] Mennatullah Siam, Chen Jiang, Steven Lu, Laura Petrich, Mahmoud Gamal, Mohamed Elhoseiny, and Martin Jagersand, “Video object segmentation using teacher-student adaptation in a human robot interaction (HRI) setting,” in *Proceedings of the International Conference on Robotics and Automation*, 2019, pp. 50–56.
- [11] Masood Dehghan\*, Zichen Zhang\*, Mennatullah Siam\*, Jun Jin, Laura Petrich, and Martin Jagersand (\* equally contributing), “Online object and task learning via human robot interaction,” in *Proceedings of the International Conference on Robotics and Automation*, 2019, pp. 2132–2138.
- [12] Mennatullah Siam, Sara Elkerdawy, Mostafa Gamal, Moemen Abdel-Razek, Martin Jagersand, and Hong Zhang, “Real-time segmentation with appearance, motion and geometry,” in *Proceedings of the IEEE/RSJ International Conference on Intelligent Robots and Systems*, 2018, pp. 5793–5800.
- [13] Mennatullah Siam\*, Mostafa Gamal\*, Moemen Abdel-Razek\*, Martin Jagersand, and Senthil Yogamani (\* equally contributing), “RTSeg: Real-time semantic segmentation comparative study,” *Proceedings of the IEEE International Conference on Image Processing*, 2018.
- [14] Mennatullah Siam, Heba Mahgoub, Mohamed Zahran, Senthil Yogamani, Martin Jagersand, and Ahmad El-Sallab, “MODNet: Moving object detection network with motion and appearance for autonomous driving,” *Proceedings of the IEEE International Conference on Intelligent Transportation Systems*, 2018.

- [15] Mennatullah Siam, Sara Elkerdawy, Martin Jagersand, and Senthil Yogamani, “Deep semantic segmentation for automated driving: Taxonomy, roadmap and challenges,” in *Proceedings of the IEEE International Conference on Intelligent Transportation Systems*, 2017, pp. 1–8.
- [16] Mennatullah Siam, Konstantinos G. Derpanis, and Richard P. Wildes, “Multiscale memory comparator transformer for few-shot video segmentation,” in *arXiv preprint arXiv:2307.07812*, 2023.
- [17] Mennatullah Siam, Konstantinos G Derpanis, and Richard P Wildes, “Temporal transductive inference for few-shot video object segmentation,” *arXiv preprint arXiv:2203.14308*, 2022.
- [18] Matthew Kowal, Mennatullah Siam, Md Amirul Islam, Neil D.B. Bruce, Richard P. Wildes, and Konstantinos G. Derpanis, “Quantifying and learning static vs. dynamic information in deep spatiotemporal networks,” *IEEE Transactions on Pattern Analysis and Machine Intelligence (under review)*, 2022.
- [19] Hesham Ali, Idriss Tondji, and Mennatullah Siam, “Two-stage joint transductive and inductive learning for nuclei segmentation,” *Machine Learning for Health Symposium, Findings Track (Non Archival)*, 2023.
- [20] Abdul-Hakeem Omotayo, Mai Gamal, Eman Ehab, Gbetondji Dovonon, Zainab Akinjobi, Ismaila Lukman, Houcemeddine Turki, Mahmud Abdien, Idriss Tondji, Abigail Oppong, Yvan Pimi, Karim Gamal, and Mennatullah Siam, “Towards a better understanding of the computer vision research community in africa,” in *Equity and Access in Algorithms, Mechanisms, and Optimization*, 2023.
- [21] Abdul-Hakeem Omotayo, Ashery Mbilinyi, Lukman Ismaila, Houcemeddine Turki, Mahmoud Abdien, Karim Gamal, Idriss Tondji, Yvan Pimi, Naome A Etori, Marwa M Matar, others, and Mennatullah S, “A survey on african computer vision datasets, topics and researchers,” *Journal of AI Research (acceptance notification)*, 2024.
- [22] Mennatullah Siam, Konstantinos G. Derpanis, and Richard P. Wildes, “Temporal transductive inference for few-shot video object segmentation,” in *Machine Learning for Autonomous Driving Workshop in Neurips*, 2021.
- [23] Mennatullah Siam, Alex Kendall, and Martin Jagersand, “Video class agnostic segmentation benchmark for autonomous driving,” in *Proceedings of the IEEE/CVF Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition Workshops*, June 2021, pp. 2825–2834.
- [24] Mennatullah Siam, Boris Oreshkin, and Martin Jagersand, “Adaptive masked weight imprinting for few-shot segmentation,” *Learning from Limited Labelled Data ICLR Workshop*, 2019.
- [25] Mennatullah Siam, Heba Mahgoub, Mohamed Zahran, Senthil Yogamani, Martin Jagersand, and Ahmad El-Sallab, “Motion and appearance based multi-task learning network for autonomous driving,” *Machine Learning for Intelligent Transportation Neurips Workshops*, 2017.
- [26] Eslam Mohamed, Mahmoud Ewaisha, Mennatullah Siam, Hazem Rashed, Senthil Kumar Yogamani, Waleed Hamdy, Mohamed El-Dakdouky, and Ahmad El Sallab, “Monocular instance motion segmentation for autonomous driving: Kitti instancemot-seg dataset and multi-task baseline,” in *Proceedings of the IEEE Intelligent Vehicles Symposium*, 2021, pp. 114–121.

- [27] Sepehr Valipour, Mennatullah Siam, Martin Jagersand, and Nilanjan Ray, “Recurrent fully convolutional networks for video segmentation,” in *Proceedings of the IEEE Winter Conference on Applications of Computer Vision*, 2017.
- [28] Abhineet Singh, Mennatullah Siam, and Martin Jagersand, “Unifying registration based tracking: A case study with structural similarity,” in *Proceedings of the IEEE Winter Conference on Applications of Computer Vision*, 2017.
- [29] Bjarne Großmann, Mennatullah Siam, and Volker Krüger, “Comparative evaluation of 3d pose estimation of industrial objects in rgb pointclouds,” in *Proceedings of the International Conference on Computer Vision Systems*, 2015, pp. 329–342.
- [30] Mennatullah Siam and Mohammed Elhelw, “Enhanced target tracking in uav imagery with pn learning and structural constraints,” in *Proceedings of the IEEE International Conference on Computer Vision Workshops*, 2013, pp. 586–593.
- [31] Menna Siam, Ramy ElSayed, and Mohamed ElHelw, “On-board multiple target detection and tracking on camera-equipped aerial vehicles,” in *Proceedings of the IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Biomimetics*, 2012, pp. 2399–2405.

## **PATENTS**

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- Mennatullah Siam, Senthil Yogamani, Ahmad ElSallab, and Heba Mahgoub. ”Motion and Appearance Based Multi-Task Learning of Motion Segmentation and Vehicle Detection”, [https://worldwide.espacenet.com/publicationDetails/biblio?CC=DE&NR=102018114229&KC=&FT=E&locale=en\\_EP#](https://worldwide.espacenet.com/publicationDetails/biblio?CC=DE&NR=102018114229&KC=&FT=E&locale=en_EP#). (pending)

## **RESEARCH GRANTS**

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Total Funds: \$250,714 (CAD)

- NSERC Discovery Grant. \$120,000 (CAD)
- NSERC Discovery Grant Launch Supplements. \$12,500 (CAD)
- NSERC Alliance International. \$25,000 (CAD)
- Digital Research Alliance of Canada, Resources for Research Group. \$33,214 (CAD)
- Startup Funds, Ontario Tech University. \$60,000 (CAD)

## **SUPERVISION**

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### **PhD Students**

- Narges Fatemi, Ontario Tech University (Supervision, start Fall’24)

### **MSc Students**

- Yousef Hesham, Nile University (Co-supervision, start Summer’23)
- AlAmir Hassan, Nile University (Co-supervision, start Summer’24)

### **Interns**

- Mai Gamal, German University in Cairo, Egypt (PhD Student) (Summer’23, Summer’24)

## AWARDS

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- KUKA Innovation Award Finalist team. 2018.

## INVITED TALKS

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- (Keynote) “Learning Scene and Video Understanding with Limited Labelled Data”. Black in AI workshop, co-located with Neurips, 2022.
- “Image and Video Class Agnostic Segmentation”. Huawei, Canada, 2021.
- “Image and Video Class Agnostic Segmentation”. York University, Canada, 2021.
- “On the Intersection of Few-shot and Video Object Segmentation.” Doctoral Consortium, CVPR. Online, 2021.
- “Few-shot Learning Tutorial.” Samsung AI, Canada, 2022.

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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**Instructor SOFE4620U**

*Ontario Tech University*

Machine Learning and Data Mining.

Winter 2024

**Instructor SOFE2715U**

*Ontario Tech University*

Data Structures.

Winter 2024

**Instructor ELEE2110**

*Ontario Tech University*

Discrete Mathematics for Engineers.

Fall 2023

**Instructor CIT 690**

*Nile University*

Computer Vision for Master students in ITCS School, Course Material Preparation, Instruction, and guiding the TA.

Spring 2022

**Co-Instructor MM 805**

*University of Alberta*

Computer Vision and 3DTV for Master students in Multimedia Program, Course Material Preparation and Instruction

Winter 2021

## ACADEMIC SERVICE

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- Organizer of African Computer Vision Summer School, Nairobi, Kenya <sup>1</sup>.
- Organizer of 3<sup>rd</sup> Workshop on Learning with Limited Labelled Data for Image and Video Understanding (L3D-IVU) in CVPR 2024 <sup>2</sup>.
- Organizer of 2<sup>nd</sup> Workshop on Learning with Limited Labelled Data for Image and Video Understanding (L3D-IVU) in CVPR 2023 <sup>3</sup>.

<sup>1</sup><https://sites.google.com/view/acvss/>

<sup>2</sup><https://sites.google.com/view/l3divu2024>

<sup>3</sup><https://sites.google.com/view/l3d-ivu-2023>

- Organizer of Learning with Limited Labelled Data for Image and Video Understanding (L3D-IVU) Workshop in CVPR 2022, <sup>4</sup>.
- Technical committee member in Medical Image Learning with Limited and Noisy Data (MILLand) Workshop in MICCAI 2022, 2023 <sup>5</sup>.
- Organizer CV4Africa workshop, Deep Learning Indaba, Accra, Ghana, 2023.
- Organizer and mentor in Black in AI social, CVPR, Vancouver, Canada, 2023.
- Guest Editor of special issue in Remote Sensing Journal on Autonomous Driving <sup>6</sup>, 2022.
- Outstanding Reviewer in ICCV 2023 <sup>7</sup>.
- Reviewer in ICRA, IROS, ECCV2020, WACV2020, CVPR 2021, ICCV 2021, WACV 2022, CVPR 2022, CVPR 2023, ICCV 2023.
- Program Committee Member in Machine Learning for Autonomous Driving Workshop - Neurips 2020, 2021.
- Reviewer in IJCV, TPAMI, Pattern Recognition Letters, IEEE Intelligent Systems, IEEE Transactions on Robotics.
- Area chair in IEEE CVF Winter Conference on Applications of Computer Vision (WACV), 2024, 2025.

## RESEARCH AND INDUSTRIAL EXPERIENCE

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| <b>Postdoctoral Fellow</b><br>York University, Lassonde School of Engineering, Full time.<br>CVIL York Lab. Supervised by Professor Richard Wildes | 7/21-7/23 |
| <b>Postdoc Researcher</b><br>Vector Institute, Full time.  | 3/22-2/23 |
| <b>Research Assistant</b><br>University of Alberta, CS Dept, Full time.<br>Computer Vision and Robotics Lab.                                       | 2015-2021 |
| <b>Machine Learning Engineer Intern</b><br>Wayve Ltd, London, UK.<br>Supervised by Corina Gurau  | 6-12/2020 |
| <b>Research Intern</b><br>Huawei Research, Edmonton, Canada.<br>Supervised by Henghsuai Yao  | 8/19-4/20 |
| <b>Software Engineering Intern</b><br>Autonomous Driving Team, Nvidia Corporation, Santa Clara, US.<br>Supervised by John Zedlewski                | 6-9/2018  |
| <b>Software Engineering Intern</b><br>Valeo Vision Systems, Ireland and Deep Learning Research Team in Egypt.                                      | 5-7/2017  |

<sup>4</sup><https://sites.google.com/view/l3d-ivu/>

<sup>5</sup><https://zghada90.wixsite.com/milland/committee>

<sup>6</sup>[https://www.mdpi.com/journal/remotesensing/special\\_issues/75B73YS791](https://www.mdpi.com/journal/remotesensing/special_issues/75B73YS791)

<sup>7</sup><https://iccv2023.thecvf.com/outstanding.reviewers-118.php>

Supervised by Senthil Yogamani

**Research Assistant**

2013-2014

*Nile University, Full time*

Ubiquitous Computing and Vision Lab.

**Software Engineering Intern**

2012-2013

*Sony Stuttgart Technology Center, Germany*

Supervised by Franck Giron

## **VOLUNTEERING EXPERIENCE**

**Super Volunteer**

2021, 2022

*WiML Neurips 2021, 2022*

Volunteering in helping out workshop organizers in different tasks.

**Mentor**

2019-2020

*Black in AI*

Helped as a mentor in the mentoring program within BAI to guide a student in his application towards graduate school.

**Co-Founder**

2022

*Ro'ya CV4Africa Initiative*

Volunteered to start a computer vision for Africa community as part of the Deep Learning Indaba. <sup>8</sup>

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<sup>8</sup><https://ro-ya-cv4africa.github.io/homepage/>