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EDUCATION

University of Texas at Austin (UT Austin)

Ph.D. in Biomedical Engineering, Department of Biomedical Engineering

• Current cumulative GPA: 4.00/4.00

Shanghai Jiao Tong University (SJTU)

B.E. in Biomedical Engineering, School of Biomedical Engineering

• Major Rank: 2/53 GPA: 3.84/4.30 (89.17/100)

Selected Awards:

2016-2017 Academic Excellence Scholarship (second-class) by SJTU

2016-2017 Biomedical Engineering Alumni Scholarship and Student Aid by SJTU

2017-2018 National Scholarship by Ministry of Education of the People's Republic of China

2018 International Genetically Engineered Machine Competition: Gold medal & Best Diagnostics Project Nominee

2019 Second-class Award in National English Competition for College Students

2019 Graduate with Distinction in Shanghai

PUBLICATION/PRESENTATION

• Yang, Yang*, **Qingwei Fang***, and Hong-Bin Shen. "Predicting gene regulatory interactions based on spatial gene expression data and deep learning." *PLoS computational biology* 15, no. 9 (2019): e1007324. (*co-first authors)

• Hsiao, Chiayi*, **Qingwei Fang***, Shuyu Zheng*, Peixiang He*, Kairan Zhang*, Yirui Hong, Yuncong Ran et al. "Combinatorial cell surface display system in Escherichia coli for noninvasive colorectal cancer detection." *Journal of Bio-X Research* 2, no. 4 (2019): 185-196. (*equal contribution)

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Reconstruction of Gene Regulatory Network (GRN) through Gene Expression Image Analysis

Dec. 2016 – June. 2018 Supervisor: Yang Yang (Associate Prof., Department of Computer Science and Engineering, SEIEE, SJTU)

- Constructed the local database of *Drosophila*'s *in situ* hybridization (ISH) images containing > 120,000 images of over 8,000 genes from *Berkeley Drosophila Genome Project* (BDGP) public database.
- Proposed the idea of GripDL, gene regulatory interaction prediction via deep learning, based on an existing large-scale GRN. Designed deep model with and conducted the experiments under the guidance of Prof. Yang Yang.
- Improved both accuracy and F1 score over 14% compared with the state-of-art staNMF method.
- Identified important regulators in *Drosophila* eye development and the close relationship between eye development and nerve system development in *Drosophila*.

Early and Noninvasive Diagnosis of Colorectal Cancer using Ultrasound Imaging and Genetically Engineered *E.coli*Feb. 2018 – Nov. 2018 Supervisor: Lin He* (Fellow of Chinese Academy of Sciences), Gang Ma* (Associate Prof.), Yushu Wang* (Assistant Prof.)

* School of Life Sciences and Technology, SJTU

- Designed ultrasound experiments and performed ultrasound image analysis.
- Measured ultrasound signal of gas vesicles in the engineered *E.coli*, about 6 times higher than that in control group.
- Performed gas vesicle collapse by increasing acoustic pressure, showing a promising future of our method in medical applications to promote non-invasive screening and early diagnosis of colorectal cancer.
- Consolidating T2 relaxation difference between the engineered *E.coli* and normal *E.coli* in magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) with p-value < 0.005.
- Established team website (http://2018.igem.org/Team:SJTU-BioX-Shanghai).

Electromyogram System for Detecting the Neuro-modulation Effect of Ultrasound Stimulation

Mar. 2018 – Sep. 2018 Supervisor: Junfeng Sun (Associate Prof., School of Biomedical Engineering, SJTU)

- Designed the software to drive MSP430 G2553 chip to collect myoelectric signal, perform A/D conversion and transmit data to upper PC end.
- Developed the software to control upper PC end to receive data, plot the real-time waveform of collected myoelectric signal and detect the motor evoked potential (MEP) through Teager-Kaiser energy (TKE) operator.
- Successful demonstration of signal collection, conversion, transmission, and MEP detection from human forearm muscle group.

PROJECT EXPERIENCE

Three-dimension Segmentation and Reconstruction of Lung CT Images

Dec. 2017 – Jan. 2018

Austin, TX, U.S.A.

Sept. 2019 – present

Sept. 2015 – June 2019

Shanghai, China

 Combined Otsu optimum global thresholding method, erosion morphological processing on 2-D level and region growing method on 3-D level to perform segmentation of lung CT images.

Achieved more smooth and refined segmentation of lung compared with simple Otsu or region growing method.

$\textbf{Implementation of Filtered Back Projection (FBP) Algorithm for CT Image Reconstruction $$Mar. 2018-May 2018$$

- Implemented radon transformation function to simulate data acquisition of parallel beam CT.
- Designed a web page for interaction with users using JavaScript/HTML/CSS.
- Achieved online CT image reconstruction with FBP algorithm.

Gmap: Automatic Visualization Tool for Human Population Genetic Structure Analysis

Nov. 2017 - Dec 2017

- Reduced HLA-A gene frequency matrix feature dimension from 10 to 3 with 0.99 cumulative explained variance ratio using principal component analysis.
- Constructed the minimum spanning tree (MST) of human population structure using Prim algorithm.
- Enabled automatic segmentation of MST with k-means algorithm.

TECHNICAL SKILLS

- **Programming Languages:** C/C++, Python, MATLAB, Assembly, R, JavaScript, CSS, HTML
- Language Skills: TOEFL (R30 + L26 + S23 + W26, total 105) ^{fi}, GRE (V160 + Q170 + AW4.0) ^{fi}

^{fi} showing the best score on each section