Ange Lou

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EDUCATION

Vanderbilt University

Doctor of Philosophy in Electrical Engineering

The George Washington University

Master of Science in Electrical Engineering

Wuhan University of Technology

Bachelor of Engineering in Energy and Power Systems

Nashville, TN.

August 2021 – Present

Washington, D.C.

August 2017 – May 2019

Wuhan, Hubei, China

September 2013 – June 2017

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Biomedical Image Analysis for Image Guided Interventions Laboratory—Vanderbilt University

Nashville, TN

August 2021 - Present

3D Surgical Scene Understanding

- Contrastive Semi-supervised surgical instrument segmentation from surgical video.
- Unsupervised 3D surgical tools reconstructions from single frame.
- Weakly supervised surgical tools localization. (MICCAI 2022 EndoVis Challenge)
- Self-supervised monocular depth, ego-motion estimation and camera parameters estimation.
- Dynamic surgical scene reconstruction by segment anything model (SAM) and neural radiance field (NeRF).
- Zero-shot depth estimation for surgical scene.

Medical Imaging & Image Analysis Laboratory – The George Washington University

Washington, DC

Research Scientist

Research Assistant

September 2018 – August 2021

Efficient Biomedical Image Segmentation

Efficient neural network design for medical image segmentation.

INDUSTRY EXPERIENCE

United Imaging Intelligence

Cambridge, Massachusetts, USA

Research Intern

May 2023 - August 2023

Efficient Dynamic Neural Radiance Field

Proposed sparse directional-aware representation based neural radiance field (NeRF) to improve the quality of both static and dynamic scene reconstruction.

Human Body Reconstruction

Recover body part mesh from partially visible human images.

Video Phase Recognition

Neural finite-state machine for surgical and non-surgical video phase recognition

SKILLS

Programming Languages: Python, MATLAB, C++

Packages and Frameworks: PyTorch, Tensorflow, Keras, OpenCV, scikit-learn

Research Area: Geometric Computer Vision (SfM, pose estimation, NeRF and 3D Reconstruction), Image Segmentation,

Deep Learning, Semi/Self-supervised learning, Time-Series Analysis, Self-Supervised Learning (SSL)

PUBLICATIONS

- [C1] Ange Lou, Benjamin Planche, Zhongpai Gao, Yamin Li, Tianyu Luan, Hao Ding, Terrence Chen, Jack Noble, Ziyan Wu, "DaReNeRF: Direction-aware Representation for Dynamic Scenes". Accepted by CVPR 2024
- [C2] Tianyu Luan, Zhongpai Gao, Abhishek Sharma, Hao Ding, Benjamin Planche, Ange Lou, Terrence Chen, Junsong Yuan, Ziyan Wu, "Divide and Fuse: Body Part Mesh Recovery from Partially Visible Human Images". Submitted to ECCV 2024

- [C3] Hao Ding, Zhongpai Gao, Tianyu Luan, Benjamin Planche, Abhishek Sharma, **Ange Lou**, Terrence Chen, Mathias Unberath, Ziyan Wu, "Neural Finite-State Machines for Video Phase Recognition". Submitted to ECCV 2024
- [C4] **Ange Lou,** Yamin Li, Xing Yao, Yike Zhang, Jack Noble, "SAMSNeRF: Segment Anything Model (SAM) Guides Dynamic Surgical Scene Reconstruction by Neural Radiance Field (NeRF)". *Accepted by SPIE Medical Imaging* 2024
- [C5] Xing Yao, Han Liu, Dewei Hu, Daiwei Lu, **Ange Lou**, Hao Li, Ruining Deng, Gabriel Arenas, Baris Oguz, Nadav Schwartz, Brett C Byram, Ipek Oguz, "False Negative/Positive Control for SAM on Noisy Medical Image". *Accepted by* SPIE Medical Imaging 2024
- [C6] Yamin Li, **Ange Lou**, Catie Chang, "Leveraging sinusoidal representation networks to predict fMRI signals from EEG". *Accepted by SPIE Medical Imaging* 2024
- [C7] Yike Zhang, Eduardo Davalos, **Ange Lou**, Jack Noble, "Monocular Microscope to CT Registration using Pose Estimation of the Incus for Augmented Reality Cochlear Implant Surgery". *Accepted by SPIE Medical Imaging* 2024
- [C8] **Ange Lou**, Jack Noble, "WS-SfMLearner: Self-supervised Monocular Depth and Ego-motion Estimation on Surgical Videos with Unknown Camera Parameters". *Accepted by SPIE Medical Imaging* 2024
- [C9] Ziteng Liu, Yubo Fan, **Ange Lou**, Jack Noble, "SRSegN: Super-resolution Segmentation network for inner-ear tissue segmentation". In *International Workshop on Simulation and Synthesis in Medical Imaging* (pp. 11-20).
- [C10] **Ange Lou**, Xing Yao, Ziteng Liu, Jintong Han, Jack Noble, "Self-Supervised Surgical Instrument 3D Reconstruction from a Single Camera Image". *Medical Imaging 2023: Image-Guided Procedures, Robotic Interventions, and Modeling*. Vol. 12466. SPIE, 2023 (**Oral**)
- [C11] Xing Yao, Ange Lou, Hao Li, Dewei Hu, Han Liu, Jiacheng Wang, Zachary Stoebner, Hans Johnson, Jeff D. Long, Jane S. Paulsen, Ipek Oguz, "Novel application of the attention mechanism on medical image harmonization". *Medical Imaging 2023: Imaging Processing*. Vol. 12464. SPIE, 2023 (Oral)
- [C12] **Ange Lou**, Shuyue Guan, Hanseok Ko, Murray Loew, "CaraNet: Context Axial Reverse Attention Network for Segmentation of Small Medical Objects". SPIE Medical Imaging 2022: Image Processing. (Oral)
- [C13] **Ange Lou**, Shuyue Guan, Murray Loew, "CFPNet: Channel-wise Feature Pyramid Network for Real-Time Semantic Segmentation". *International Conference on Image Processing (ICIP)* 2021
- [C14] **Ange Lou**, Shuyue Guan, Murray Loew, "DC-UNet: Rethinking the U-Net Architecture with Dual Channel Efficient CNN for Multimodal Biomedical Image Segmentation". *SPIE Medical Imaging 2021: Image Processing*.
- [C15] **Ange Lou**, Shuyue Guan, Nada Kamona, Murray Loew, "Segmentation of Infrared Images Using MultiResUnet Neural Networks", *IEEE Applied Imagery Pattern Recognition Workshop (AIPR)*, Washington, D.C, USA, 2019. (Oral)
- [J1] **Ange Lou**, Kareem Tawfik, Xing Yao, Ziteng Liu, Jack Noble, "Min-Max Similarity: A Contrastive Semi-Supervised Deep Learning Network for Surgical Tools Segmentation". *IEEE Transactions on Medical Imaging* (2023) (*IF=11.037*)
- [J2] **Ange Lou**, Shuyue Guan, Murray Loew, "CFPNet-M: A Light-weight Encoder-Decoder Based Network for Multimodal Biomedical Image Segmentation". *Computers in Biology and Medicine* (2023): 106579 (*IF=7.7*)
- [J3] **Ange Lou**, Shuyue Guan, Murray Loew, "CaraNet: context axial reverse attention network for segmentation of small medical objects". *Journal of Medical Imaging*, 10(1), 014005. (*IF=2.4*)

ACADEMIC SERVICE

Reviewer for Journals Reviews: 8

- iScience, Cell Press
- Journal of Medical Imaging (JMI)
- Imaging Science Journal
- Neural Regeneration Research (NRR)
- IEEE Journal of Biomedical and Health Informatics (JBHI)
- Image and Vision Computing
- Automatika

Reviewer for Conferences Reviews: 10

- 2023 International Conference on Medical Image Computing and Computer Assisted Intervention (MICCAI)

EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES

- **Guest lecturer** for the course "Intelligent Systems and Robotics" at *Vanderbilt University Department of Electrical Engineering* (Spring)
- **Invited Speaker** for *George Washington University* and *Children's National Hospital* Joint Informatics Seminar, "CFPNet-M: A Lightweight Encoder-Decoder Based Network for Multimodal Biomedical Image Real-Time Segmentation"
- **Guest lecturer** for the course "Special Topics Engineering for Surgery" at *Vanderbilt University Department of Electrical Engineering* (Fall)