

# Bowei Chen

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## EDUCATION

**Carnegie Mellon University,** Pittsburgh, USA  
*Master of Science in Robotics (thesis)* 2020-2022

- GPA: 4.0/4.3
- Advised by Prof. [Srinivasa Narasimhan](#).
- Also work with Prof. [Martial Hebert](#), Dr. [Sing Bing Kang](#), and Dr. [Tiancheng Zhi](#).

**University of Wisconsin-Madison,** Madison, USA  
*Visiting Student in Computer Science* 2019

- GPA: 3.75/4.0

**Northeastern University,** Shenyang, China  
*Bachelor in Software Engineering* 2016-2020

- GPA: 92/100; Ranking: 1/43
- Advised by Prof. [Guibing Guo](#)

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

**Carnegie Mellon University** Pittsburgh, USA  
*Research Assistant, Supervisor: Prof. [Srinivasa Narasimhan](#)* 08/2020-Present

Project: Learning Continuous Implicit Representation for Near-Periodic Patterns.

- Presented a single image based framework to learn Near-Periodic Patterns (NPP) representation, which was adapted to various applications including completion, resolution-enhanced remapping, and segmentation.
- Enabled NPP interpolation and extrapolation with various shapes and sizes of unknown masks. Enabled blurry regions recovery and segmentation of non-periodic regions in NPP.

Project: Diffuse-Specular Separation, Sun Direction Estimation, and Direct Sunlight Removal for Realistic Object Insertion.

- Assisted in building an appearance decomposition method for floor diffuse-specular separation and direct sunlight estimation on the planar floor and wall regions from a panoramic image.
- Working on designing the furniture removal pipeline.

Project: Normal Estimation for Specular Objects from a Single Image.

- Rendered a dataset containing different kinds of specular objects under different environment maps.
- Presented a distortion-aware normal estimation framework for specular objects from a single image.
- Achieved mean angle error of around 4 degrees for the estimated object normal.

**Université Laval** Québec City, Canada  
*Research Assistant, Supervisor: Prof. [Jean-François Lalonde](#)* 06/2019-09/2019

Project: Learning High Dynamic Range from Indoor Panoramas

- Proposed an algorithm to learn High Dynamic Range (HDR) Panorama from Indoor Low Dynamic Range (LDR) panorama.
- Faithfully reconstructed saturated regions for LDR images in the Laval HDR databases. This work will be submitted to ECCV 2022.

**Northeastern University** Shenyang, China  
*Research Assistant, Supervisor: Prof. [Guibing Guo](#)* 10/2017-01/2020

Project: Learning-based Recommendation Systems.

- Built and published several learning-based recommendation models, including hierarchical attentive sequential networks and GAN-based models. Managed three undergraduate research assistants.

*Tencent*

Shenzhen, China

*Research Intern, Supervisor: Dr. [Fajie Yuan](#)*

10/2019-01/2020

Project: Sequential Recommendation Algorithm for Tencent Kandian.

- Proposed a non-autoregressive generative method and a mask refinement strategy for sequential recommendation. It performed better than the state-of-the-art methods on the Kandian Dataset.

## PUBLICATIONS

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- [1] **Bowei Chen**, Tiancheng Zhi, Martial Hebert, Srinivasa Narasimhan. Neural Repeated Texture Field (NeRTF): Learning Continuous Implicit Representation for Near-Periodic Patterns. In CVPR 2022 (Under Review).
- [2] Guibing Guo, **Bowei Chen (Only Student Researcher)**, Xiaoyan Zhang, Zhirong Liu, Zhenhua Dong, Xiuqiang He. Leveraging Title-Abstract Attentive Semantics for Paper Recommendation. In AAAI 2020.
- [3] Guibing Guo, Huan Zhou, **Bowei Chen**, Zhirong Liu, Xiao Xu, Xu Chen, Zhenhua Dong. IPGAN: Generating Informative Item Pairs by Adversarial Sampling. In TNNLS.
- [4] Rui Ding, Guibing Guo, Xiaochun Yang, **Bowei Chen**, Zhirong Liu, Xiuqiang He. BiGAN: Collaborative Filtering with Bidirectional Generative Adversarial Networks. In SDM 2020.
- [5] Rui Ding, **Bowei Chen**, Guibing Guo, Xiaochun Yang. path2vec: Adversarial Path Sampling for Recommender Systems. In IEEE Intelligent Systems.
- [6] Haihua Luo, Xiaoyan Zhang, **Bowei Chen**, Guibing Guo. Multi-view Visual Bayesian Personalized Ranking from Implicit Feedback. In UMAP 2018.

## EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITY

**Shenyang Licheng Community**

Shenyang, China

*Volunteer*

2017/9-2018/1

- Taught middle school students computer courses.

**Social Practice to Explore the Culture of Internet Companies**

Shenzhen, China

*Team leader*

2018/7

- Led a 7-person team to visit Tencent and discussed the prospect of AI and deep learning with senior scientists.

## HONORS & AWARDS

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| • National Scholarship   | 2017 |
| • Excellent Individuals of Social Practice Activities of Northeastern University | 2018 |
| • Outstanding Volunteer in Licheng Community                                     | 2018 |
| • Outstanding Graduates of Northeastern University                               | 2019 |

## SKILLS & INTERESTS

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- Language Skills: Chinese (Native), English (Fluent), Cantonese (Conversational)
  - Professional Skills: Python, Java, C++, C, Pytorch, Tensorflow, JavaScript