Dr. Baiqiang XIA - Curriculum Vitae

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Highlights Face Recognition, Large Scale (Un-)supervised Visual Recognition

Search Engine, Visual Search, Multi-Modal Search, Content Generation

Riemannian Geometry, Computer Vision, Human-Machine Interaction, Deep Learning

Industrial Work Experiences

10/2019 - Now From 10/2021 Lead AI Scientist (3 Months, Ongoing)

From 02/2021 Senior AI Scientist (8 Months, Promoted ↑)

From 10/2019 AI Scientist @ Silo AI, Helsinki, Finland (16 Months, Promoted ↑)

Role (Now): AI R&D Team Lead (Tech Planning, Projects Mgmt, Patents&Publications, Recruitment)

Highlights: **Case1:** Leading Industrial AI R&D team composed of Phds and Engineers, covering face recognition/generation, large scale (un-)supervised visual recognition and visual search, video understanding, multi-modal learning, cloud/edge AI deployment, AR/VR usecases, for a world-leading ICT company. With 15+ products released online serving millions of

users, billions of requests & multiple international patents filed *(From Mid-2020, Ongoing)*. **Case2:** Devised a state-of-the-art deep learning based medical image analysis solution

for a world-leading healthcare company located in Helsinki (Early-2020).

Case3: Developed a comprehensive Deep Face Analysis solution for a Major Broadcasting Company in Finland for media content and user experience understanding, covering face detection/tracking/recognition, facial gender/age/expression/pose recognition, and gaze

estimation (Late-2019).

03/2019-09/2019 Senior Data Scientist @ Top Data Science Oy, Helsinki, Finland (7 Months, Left)

Role: Leading Deep Learning Based Visual Recognition Projects and Competitions

Highlights: Won an Industrial Computer Vision Competition with 20k Euros Award (1st Place)

Delivered 3 Computer Vision PoC Solutions (YOLO-based Object Recognition in Retail, Visual Crowd Counting - In Press of Finnish National Broadcasting Company (click2view),

Human Pose Estimation in Paper Making Industry).

 $\textbf{Gained}\ 3\ compensation\ promotions\ within\ 7\ months\ employment,\ plus\ 1\ special\ bonus$

Worked on 2 other AI projects, concerning Time Series Prediction/Literature Survey.

Academic Work Experiences

09/2018-02/2019 Oulu University, Finland

Postdoc Researcher, Faculty of Information Technology and Electrical Engineering (ITEE)

Topic: Deep Learning Powered Face Analysis for Healthcare

08/2016-08/2018 Lancaster University, United Kingdom

Research Associate, School of Computing and Communications (25 Months)

Project: Monitoring Of Dementia using Eye Movements (MODEM)[Link]

Topic: Statistics and Machine Learning for Neuro-Degenerative Diseases

(Dementia, Autism, Epilepsy, ADHD, Dyslexia)

Collaborators: Prof. Hans Gellersen (Supervisor), and Dr. Trevor Crawford,

and Dr. Thomas Wilcockson, and Dr. Diako Mardanbegi

11/2014-07/2016 Trinity College Dublin, the University of Dublin, Ireland

Research Fellow, School of Computer Science and Statistics (21 Months)

Project: Embedded Vision Exemplar Systems (EVES) [Link]

Topic: RGB-D hand hygiene gestures recognition

Supervisors: A. Prof. Rozenn Dahyot, and A. Prof. Gerard Lacey

Education

12/2011-11/2014 University Lille 1 - Sciences et Technologies, Lille, France

Ph.D., Computer Science (3 Years) Project: 3D Face Analyzer[Link]

Topic: 3D face-based recognition of facial attributes(age, gender)

Supervisors: Prof. Mohamed Daoudi (IAPR Fellow), and Prof. Boulbaba Ben Amor

12/2012-01/2013 Beihang University, Beijing, China

Visiting researcher (1.5 Months) Project: 3D Face Analyzer[Link]

Topic: Combining 2D and 3D modalities for face gender recognition

Collaborators: A. Prof. Di HUANG, and Prof. Yunhong Wang

09/2005-07/2011 Beihang University, Beijing, China

BS and MS, Control Science and Engineering

2nd highest score in 'Gaokao', among 15,000+ students in Chengde city (2005)

Honors & Awards

05/2019 - *Winner* of an intensive AI competition with 20k euros monetary award, organized by an international company (anonymous for confidentiality) with billions dollars revenue.

01/2014 - Best Paper Award in the 9th International Joint Conference on Computer Vision, Imaging and Computer Graphics Theory and Applications (VISAPP)

10/2007 - Awarded National Encouragement Scholarship (NES) by Beijing University of Aeronautics and Astronautics (aka BUAA or Beihang University)

07/2005 - 2nd Highest score in the National College Entrance Examination (NCEE, aka 'Gaokao'), among 15,000+ students in the City of Chengde, Hebei Province, China (2005)

Internships

10/2011-11/2011 Beijing Rainfe Technology Co., Ltd

Role: Software engineer for browser based information system (2 Months)

08/2010-11/2010 Spirent Communications Ltd

Role: Automated software test intern on linux and solaris systems (tcl, perl based) (4 Months)

08/2009-09/2009 Digital China Holdings Ltd

Role: Functional software test intern (1 Month)

Fundamental Skills

- Programming:
 - Python (main focus), Matlab, C/C++
- Working Languages:
 - Chinese (Native), English (IELTS-7.0, 2016), French (TEF-426, 2011)

Academic Services

- Academic Reviewer:
 - Elsevier Journal of Computer Vision and Image Understanding (CVIU) 2021
 - IEEE Transactions on Circuits and Systems for Video Technology (TCSVT) 2019,2020
 - IEEE Transactions on Multimedia (ToM) 2018
 - Elsevier Journal of Image and Vision Computing (IVC) 2018
 - ACM Transactions on Multimedia Computing, Communications, Applications (TOMM) 2017
 - ACM Symposium on eye tracking research & applications (ETRA) 2018
 - Representation, analysis and recognition of shape and motion FroM Image data, 2015,2016
 - Irish Machine Vision and Image Processing Conference (IMVIP) 2015
 - International Joint Conference on Biometrics (IJCB) 2014

Invited Talks

- -BUPT information technology international forum for young scholars, 12/2017
- -NPU 3rd Aoxiang Forum for Distinguished Young Scholars, 11/2017
- -Xidian University International Forum for HUASHAN Scholars, 11/2017

University Teaching

- -Introduction to Computing, 2015-2016, Trinity College Dublin, Ireland (Assembly, 1 Term)
- -Algorithms and Data Structure, 2015-2016, Trinity College Dublin, Ireland (Java, 1 Term)
- -Data structure, 2013-2014, Institut Mines-Telecom, France (C, 1 Term)
- -Software quality management, 2012&2013, Beihang University, China (C, 2 Terms)

Publications

- 1. Liao X., Shi J., Li Z., Zhang L., <u>XIA, B.</u>. A Model-driven Deep Reinforcement Learning Heuristic Algorithm for Resource Allocation in Ultra-dense Cellular Networks [J]. IEEE Transactions on Vehicular Technology, 2020.
- 2. Mardanbegi D., Wilcockson T., Killick R., XIA, B., Wilcockson T., Gellersen H., Sawyer P., Crawford T.J. A comparison of post-saccadic oscillation between Caucasians and Chinese [J]. PloS one, 2020.
- 3. Wilcockson, T., Mardanbegi, D., XIA, B., Taylor, S., Sawyer, P., Gellersen, H. W., Crawford, T. J. Abnormalities of saccadic eye movements in dementia due to Alzheimer's disease and mild cognitive impairment [J]. Aging, 2019
- 4. Baiqiang XIA. Which Facial Expressions Can Reveal Your Gender? A Study on 3D Faces, Arxiv, 2018. [Link]
- 5. Wilcockson T., Mardanbegi D., Sawyer P., Gellersen H., XIA, B., Crawford T.J. Oculomotor and inhibitory control in dyslexia [J]. Frontiers in Systems Neuroscience, 2018. (Accepted)
- 6. Mardanbegi D., Killick R., XIA, B., Wilcockson T., Gellersen H., Sawyer P., Crawford T.J. Effect of Aging on Post-Saccadic Oscillations [J]. Journal of Vision Research, 2018. [Link]
- 7. XIA, B., Amor B.B., Mohamed D. Joint Gender, Ethnicity and Age Estimation from 3D Faces-An Experimental Illustration of their Mutual Correlations[J]. Journal of Image and Vision Computing, 2017, 64: 90-102, ISSN 0262-8856.[Link]
- 8. Mardanbegi D., Wilcockson T., XIA, B., Gellersen H., Sawyer P., Crawford T.J. PSOVIS: An interactive tool for extracting post-saccadic oscillations from eye movement data [C]. COGAIN 2017. [Link]
- 9. <u>XIA, B.</u> 3D Nasal Shape: A New Basis for Soft-Biometrics Recognition [C]. Representations, Analysis and Recognition of Shape and Motion from Imaging Data: 6th International Workshop, RFMI 2016. [Link]
- 10. XIA, B., Dahyot, R., Ruttle, J. et al. Hand Hygiene Poses Recognition with RGB-D Videos [C]. Irish Machine Vision and Image Processing conference (IMVIP), ISBN 978-0-9934207-0-2, August 2015. [Link]
- 11. XIA, B., Amor B.B., Mohamed D., et al. Combining Face Averageness and Symmetry for 3D-based Gender Classification[J]. Pattern Recognition, 2015, 48(3): 746-758. [Link]
- 12. XIA, B. Learning 3D geometric features for soft-biometrics recognition. PHD Thesis, 2014. [Link]
- 13. XIA, B., Amor B.B., Mohamed D.. Exploring the magnitude of sexual dimorphism in 3D face based gender classification[C]. Computer Vision-ECCV 2014 Workshops. 2014. [Link]
- 14. XIA, B., Amor B B, Daoudi M. Age Estimation Using 3D Shape of the Face [C]. International Joint Conference on Computer Vision, Imaging and Computer Graphics. Springer, Cham, 2014: 175-190. [Link]
- XIA, B., Amor B.B., Mohamed D., et al. Can 3D Shape of the Face Reveal your Age ?[C]. The 9th International Joint Conference on Computer Vision, Imaging and Computer Graphics Theory and Applications (VISAPP) 2014. *Best Paper Award in VISAPP 2014* in the Area of Image and Video Understanding.[Link]
- 16. XIA, B., Amor B. B., Di H., et al. Enhancing Gender Classification by Combining 3D and 2D Face Modalities[C]. Proceeding of European Signal Processing Conference (EUSIPCO). 2013: 1-6. [Link]
- 17. XIA, B., Amor B. B., Hassen D., et al. Gender and 3D Facial Symmetry: What's the Relationship?[C]. Proceeding of the IEEE Conference on Automatic Face and Gesture Recognition (FG) 2013. 2013: 1-8.[Link]
- 18. XIA, B., and Zhong D.. Engineering safety information in software intensive systems [C]. Reliability, Maintainability and Safety (ICRMS), 2011 9th International Conference on. IEEE, 2011. [Link]