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"Let us solve problems larger than ourselves!"

## **Research Interests**

Deep Learning | Transfer Learning | Computer Vision | Unsupervised Learning | Applications

## **Education**

#### University of Electronic Science and Technology of China (UESTC)

Chengdu, P.R.China

Mathematics and Physics Basic Science (Experimental Class, Honors College)

Sept 2016 - Present

GPA: 3.98/4.00 Avg. score: 90.31/100 Core course grades (as follows)

**Mathematics**: probability and statistics:94, stochastic processes:95, linear algebra:89, advanced algebra and geometry:90, calculus i:89, advanced calculus ii:91, advanced calculus iii:95, functions of complex variables: 91, mathmatical modeling:90.

**Computer Science**: data structure:92, algorithm analysis and design:90, database fundamental:90, foundations of circuits and electronics illustrated:89, basic academic training i:98, advanced programming (C languages):86, engineering practice innovation project:98.

**Physics**: quantum machanics:99, theoretical machanics:98, electrodynamical mechanics:90, thermodynamics and statistic physics:97, atomic physics:92.

#### **Skills**

Programming: C, C++, Python, Matlab, SQL, Shell

Languages: Chinese (native), English IELTS: 7.5 (R:8.5 L:8.5 W:6.5 S:6.0)

Tools: Mathcad, Multisim, Jupyter, SPSS, Latex

## Research Experience

#### Learning Categorical-Invariant Features for Domain Adaptation

Chengdu, P.R.China

Research Assistant with Prof. Lixin Duan, at Data Intelligence Group

Nov. 2018 - Mar. 2019

- Proposed a novel method for unsupervised domain adaptation by injecting target categorical knowledge directly into the model in an adversarial fashion.
- o Provided theoretical insights about why the proposed model enables fine-grained domain invariance within each category based on the relations between decision boundaries of classifiers and objective functions.
- o Implemented all the experiments in the proposed method and obtained improved performance against state-of-the-art transfer learning methods.

## **Exploiting Mutual Relation for Visual Relationship Detection**

Chengdu, P.R.China

Research Assistant with Prof. Yang Yang, at Center for Future Media

Feb. 2018 - Oct. 2018

- o Co-proposed an intuitive algorithm for visual relationship detection by exploiting mutual relation in a siamese network and incorporating semantic information in the model .
- o Formulated objective functions and conducted part of experiments (preprocessing, object detection et al).
- o Visualized our comparable results and writed part of the paper.

Multi-Clue based Representation Learning for Doctors Clustering

Chengdu, P.R.China

Research Assistant with Prof. Yang Yang, at Center for Future Media

Sept. 2017 - Jan. 2018

- Proposed a method to mitigate the problem of data sparsity for doctors clustering by utilizing various types of clue (e.g. rating number and comment text) .
- o Crawled various types of data and built an auto-encoder for discriminative representation learning.

## **Publications**

- Chaofan Tao, Fengmao Lv, Lixin Duan and Min Wu. "Minimax Entropy Network: Learning Categorical-Invariant Features for Domain Adaptation" (under review), IJCAI-19 (CCF A tier).
- o Yi Bin, **Chaofan Tao**, Yang Yang, Zi Huang, Jingjing Li and Heng Tao Shen. "MR-NET: Exploiting Mutual Relation for Visual Relationship Detection", AAAI-19 (CCF A tier).

## **Awards and Honors**

- o Outstanding Student Scholarship, Year 2018
- o 2nd Prize in Mathematical Contest and Interdisciplinary Contest in Modeling, Year 2018
- o Recommendation Letter of Management Programme, National University of Singapore, Year 2018
- Outstanding Student Scholarship, Year 2017
- o Prize for finishing National University Student Marathon League, Year 2017
- o 2nd Prize in the Undergraduate Physics Knowledge Competition in Sichuan Province, Year 2017

## **Extracurricular Activities**

- o Assistant of the director of student affairs office, Yingcai Honors College
- o Commissioner of student administration committee, Yingcai Honors College
- Debater of Debate Team, College of Life and Science and Technology
- o Player of Basketball Team, Yingcai Honors College