Chaoning Zhang - Curriculum Vitae

Basic Information

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Short profile

I am currently an assistant professor at Kyung Hee University. Prior to that, I worked under the supervision of Professor In So Kweon at KAIST. My research interest lies in the intersection between machine learning (ML) and computer vision (CV). With CV as a testbed, I have investigated various ML topics for data-efficient yet robust AI. By focusing on the fundamental generalization problem in ML, my ultimate goal is to bridge the gap between real-world problems in industry and AI solutions in academia. My research domain includes (but is not limited to) the following topics: (1) mode robustness (adversarial attack/defense), (2) data efficiency (self-supervised learning), (3) generative AI (AIGC). I obtained **Qualcomm Innovation Felowship** (Korea) in 2020. In the past three years, I have published around **30 first or co-first author** papers, including CVPR, ICCV, ECCV (Oral), NeurIPS, ICLR, AAAI, IJCAI, ACM MM, etc.

Education and Work

2022.9 - Now	Assistant professor, - Kyung Hee Univeristy (QS 2022 world ranking: 264)
2021.9 - 2022.8	Post-doctoral Researcher, - KAIST
2018.2 - 2021.8	PhD, Electrical Engineering - KAIST (QS 2022 world ranking: 42)
2015.8 - 2018.2	Engineer (Seoul) - LS Electric (previously known as LG Industrial System), Korea
2012.8 - 2015.7	Ms, Engineering & Policy Analysis, TU Delft (Netherlands) Ms, Electrical Engineering, Harbin Institute of Technology (HIT), China
2008.8 - 2012.7	Bs, Electrical Engineering - Harbin Institute of Technology (HIT), China

Two Ms degrees: I attended a dual master degree program between HIT (China) and TU Delft (Netherlands).

Honors and Awards

- Outstanding paper award at CVPR2021 workshop on AML-CV
- CVPR2021 Security AI Challenger VI Competition (Unrestricted Adversarial Attacks on ImageNet) Our team was ranked **4th in more than 1500 teams** (Organized by Alibaba and Tsinghua University)
- Qualcomm Innovation Fellowship (Korea), 2020
- Korean Speech Competition Award (ranking 2nd), KAIST, 2018
- Excellent Master Graduate (top 5%), Harbin Institute of Technology, 2015

Language skills

- Chinese, native
- English (IELTS 8/9), work language
- Korean, TOPIK 6 (highest level), advanced level
- Japanese, JLPT N1 (highest level), advanced level

Recent publication († indicates co-first authorship)

Selected 10 recent papers (from 2020 to 2022)

- Chaoning Zhang[†], Kang Zhang[†], Chenshuang Zhang, Axi Niu, Jiu Feng, Chang D. Yoo, In-So Kweon, "Decoupled Adversarial Contrastive Learning for Self-supervised Adversarial Robustness", ECCV 2022. Oral (2.7% acceptance rate)
- 2. **Chaoning Zhang**, Philipp Benz, Adil Karjauv, Jae Won Cho, Kang Zhang, In-So Kweon, "Investigating Top-k White-Box and Transferable Black-box Attack", **CVPR 2022**.
- 3. **Chaoning Zhang**[†], Kang Zhang[†], Trung X. Pham[†], Axi Niu, Zhinan Qiao, Changdong Yoo, In-So Kweon, "Dual Temperature Helps Contrastive Learning Without Many Negative Samples: Towards Understanding and Simplifying MoCo", **CVPR 2022**.
- 4. **Chaoning Zhang**[†], Kang Zhang[†], Chenshuang Zhang, Trung X. Pham, Changdong Yoo, In-So Kweon, "How Does SimSiam Avoid Collapse Without Negative Samples? A Unified Understanding with Self-supervised Contrastive Learning", **ICLR 2022**.
- 5. **Chaoning Zhang**[†], Philipp Benz[†], Adil Karjauv[†], In-So Kweon, "Data-Free Universal Adversarial Perturbation and No-Box Attack", **ICCV 2021**.
- 6. **Chaoning Zhang**[†], Philipp Benz[†], Adil Karjauv, In-So Kweon, "Universal Adversarial Perturbations Through the Lens of Deep Steganography: Towards a Fourier Perspective", **AAAI 2021**.
- 7. **Chaoning Zhang**[†], Philipp Benz[†], Chenguo Lin[†], Adil Karjauv, Jing Wu, In-So Kweon, "A Survey on Universal Adversarial Attack", **IJCAI 2021**.
- 8. **Chaoning Zhang**[†], Philipp Benz[†], Tooba Imtiaz, In So Kweon, "Understanding Adversarial Examples from the Mutual Influence of Images and Perturbations", **CVPR 2020**.
- 9. **Chaoning Zhang**[†], Philipp Benz[†], Adil Karjauv[†], Geng Sun, In-So Kweon, "UDH: Universal Deep Hiding for Steganography, Watermarking, and Light Field Messaging", **NeurIPS 2020**.
- 10. **Chaoning Zhang**[†], Philipp Benz[†], Tooba Imtiaz, In-So Kweon, "CD-UAP: Class Discriminative Universal Adversarial Perturbations", **AAAI 2020**.

Other recent papers

- 1. Philipp Benz[†], **Chaoning Zhang**[†], Adil Karjauv, In-So Kweon, "Batch Normalization Increases Adversarial Vulnerability and Decreases Adversarial Transferability: A feature perspective", **ICCV 2021**.
- 2. **Chaoning Zhang**[†], Adil Karjauv[†], Philipp Benz[†], In-So Kweon, "Towards Robust Deep Hiding Under Non-Differentiable Distortions for Practical Blind Watermarking", **ACM Multimedia 2021**.
- 3. **Chaoning Zhang**[†], Philipp Benz[†], Dawit Mureja Argaw, Seokju Lee, Junsik Kim, Francois Rameau, Jean-Charles Bazin, In So Kweon, ResNet or DenseNet: Introducing Dense Shortcuts to ResNet, **WACV 2021**.
- 4. **Chaoning Zhang**, Francois Rameau, Junsik Kim, Dawit Mureja Argaw, Jean-Charles Bazin, and In So Kweon, "DeepPTZ: Deep Self-Calibration for PTZ Cameras", **WACV 2020**.
- 5. **Chaoning Zhang**, Francois Rameau, Seokju Lee, Junsik Kim, Philipp Benz, Dawit Mureja Argaw, Jean-Charles Bazin, In So Kweon, "Revisiting Residual Networks with Nonlinear Shortcuts", **BMVC 2019**, **spotlight (8.6%)**.
- 6. Philipp Benz[†], **Chaoning Zhang**[†], Adil Karjauv, In-So Kweon, "Revisiting Batch Normalization for Improving Corruption Robustness", **WACV 2021**.
- 7. Philipp Benz[†], **Chaoning Zhang**[†], Adil Karjauv, In-So Kweon, "Universal Adversarial Training with Class-Wise Perturbations", **ICME 2021**.
- 8. Philipp $Benz^{\dagger}$, Soomin Ham^{\dagger} , **Chaoning Zhang** † , Adil Karjau, In So Kweon, "Adversarial robustness comparison of vision transformer and MLP-Mixer to CNNs", **BMVC 2021**.

- 9. Adil Karjauv, Sanzhar Bakhtiyarov, **Chaoning Zhang**, Jean-Charles Bazin, In-So Kweon, "MotionSnap: A Motion Sensor-Based Approach for Automatic Capture and Editing of Photos and Videos on Smartphones", **ICME 2021**.
- 10. Philipp Benz[†], **Chaoning Zhang**[†], Tooba Imtiaz, In-So Kweon, "Double Targeted Universal Adversarial Perturbations", **ACCV 2020**.

Recent workshop papers

- 1. **Chaoning Zhang**[†], Philipp Benz[†], Gyusang Cho[†], Adil Karjauv, Soomin Ham, Chan-Hyun Youn, In So Kweon, "Backpropagating Smoothly Improves Transferability of Adversarial Examples" **CVPR2021** workshop.
- 2. **Chaoning Zhang**[†], Philipp Benz[†], Soomin Ham[†], Adil Karjauv, In So Kweon, "Is FGSM Optimal or Necessary for $L\infty$ Adversarial Attack?" **CVPR2021 workshop**,
- 3. **Chaoning Zhang**[†], Philipp Benz[†], Adil Karjauv, In So Kweon, "Stochastic Depth Boosts Transferability of Non-Targeted and Targeted Adversarial Attacks" **ICLR2021 workshop** on RobustML.
- 4. **Chaoning Zhang**[†], Philipp Benz[†], Adil Karjauv, In So Kweon, "On Strength and Transferability of Adversarial Examples: Stronger Attack Transfers Better" **ICLR2021 workshop** on RobustML.
- 5. **Chaoning Zhang**[†], Philipp Benz[†], Adil Karjauv[†], In So Kweon, "Towards Data-free Universal Adversarial Perturbations with Artificial Jigsaw Images" **ICLR2021 workshop** on RobustML.
- 6. Philipp Benz[†], **Chaoning Zhang**[†], Soomin Ham[†], Adil Karjauv, In So Kweon, "Robustness Comparison of Vision Transformer and MLP-Mixer to CNNs" **CVPR2021 workshop**. (**Outstanding paper award**).
- 7. Philipp Benz[†], **Chaoning Zhang**[†], Soomin Ham, Adil Karjauv, Gyusang Cho, In So Kweon, "The Triangular Trade-off Between Accuracy, Robustness, and Fairness" **CVPR2021 workshop**.
- 8. Philipp Benz[†], **Chaoning Zhang**[†], Adil Karjauv, In So Kweon, "Batch Normalization Increases Adversarial Vulnerability and Decreases Adversarial Transferability: A feature perspective" **ICLR2021 workshop** on RobustML.
- 9. Philipp Benz[†], **Chaoning Zhang**[†], Adil Karjauv, In So Kweon, "Towards Simple Yet Effective Transferable Targeted Adversarial Attacks" **ICLR2021 workshop** on RobustML.
- 10. Philipp Benz[†], **Chaoning Zhang**[†], Adil Karjauv, In So Kweon, "Robustness May Be at Odds with Fairness: An Empirical Study on Class-wise Accuracy" **NeurIPS2020 pre-registration workshop**.
- 11. Philipp Benz[†], **Chaoning Zhang**[†], Tooba Imtiaz, In So Kweon, "Data from Model", **CVPR 2020 workshop** on Adversarial Machine Learning in Computer Vision.
- 12. Philipp Benz[†], **Chaoning Zhang**[†], Tooba Imtiaz, In So Kweon, "Universal Adversarial Perturbations are Not Bugs, They are Features", **CVPR 2020 workshop** on Adversarial Machine Learning in Computer Vision.
- 13. Dawit Mureja Argaw, Junsik Kim, Francois Rameau, **Chaoning Zhang**, In So Kweon, "Restoration of Video Frames from a Single Blurred Image with Motion Understanding", **CVPR workshop 2021**.

Recent Journal papers

- 1. Axi Niu, Yu Zhu, Chaoning Zhang, Jinqiu Sun, Pei Wang, In So Kweon, Yanning Zhang, "MS2Net: Multi-Scale and Multi-Stage Feature Fusion for Blurred Image Super-Resolution", **IEEE Transactions on Circuits and Systems for Video Technology**
- 2. Jiawen Liao, Chun Qi, Jianzhong Cao, Xiaofang Wang, Long Ren, Chaoning Zhang, "Rotation-aware correlation filters for robust visual tracking", **Journal of Visual Communication and Image Representation**

Publication in the old days (before PhD study)

Conference papers

- 1. **Chaoning Zhang**, He Zhang, Baoquan Kou, "The Comparison Study of two Servo Dynamic Stiffness Definitions for Linear Motor Servo Systems", 18th International Conference on Electrical Machines and Systems (ICEMS), 2015.
- 2. **Chaoning Zhang**, Caiyan Qin, "Exploration of the Growing Trend of Electric Vehicles in Beijing with System Dynamics method and Vensim model", Proceedings of the 32nd International of the System Dynamics Society, 2014.
- 3. He Zhang, Baoquan Kou, **Chaoning Zhang**, "A New Position Loop Servo Stiffness Testing Method for Linear Motor Servo System", 18th International Conference on Electrical Machines and Systems (ICEMS), 2015.
- 4. Baoquan Kou, Feng Xing, **Chaoning Zhang**, "Synchronous control of dual linear motors based on advanced space voltage vector switch table", The 17th International Symposium on Electromagnetic Launch Technology, 2014.
- 5. Baoquan Kou, Feng Xing, **Chaoning Zhang** et al., "Control strategy for nine phase maglev permanent magnet synchronous planar motors driven by composite current", 17th International Conference on Electrical Machines and Systems (ICEMS), 2014.
- 6. Feng Xing, Baoquan Kou, **Chaoning Zhang** et al., "Levitation force control of maglev permanent synchronous planar motor based on multivariable feedback linearization method", 17th International Conference on Electrical Machines and Systems (ICEMS), 2014.
- 7. Haitao Zheng, Caiyan Qin, **Chaoning Zhang**, Qihui Yang, "Applying policy network theory to the decision making process of the Three Gorges Dam project", International Conference on Construction and Real Estate Management, 2015.

Journal papers

- 1. Caiyan Qin, **Chaoning Zhang***, Haiyan Lu, "H-Shaped multiple linear motor drive platform control system design based on an inverse system method", Energies 10(12), 199001-17, 2017. (*Corresponding author)
- 2. Martin De Jong, Yawei Chen, Simon Joss, Haiyan Lu, Miaoxi Zhao, Qihui Yang, **Chaoning Zhang**, "Explaining city branding practices in China's three mega-city regions: The role of ecological modernization", Journal of Cleaner Production 179, 527-543, 2018.
- 3. Feng Xing, Baoquan Kou, Lu Zhang, Tiecheng Wang, **Chaoning Zhang**, "Analysis and Design of a Maglev Permanent Magnet Synchronous Linear Motor to Reduce Additional Torque in dq Current Control", Energies 11(3), 556, 2018.
- 4. Baoquan Kou, Feng Xing, Lu Zhang, **Chaoning Zhang**, "A Real-Time Computation Model of the Electromagnetic Force and Torque for a Maglev Planar Motor with the Concentric Winding", Applied Science 7(1), 98, 2017.
- 5. Baoquan Kou, Feng Xing, **Chaoning Zhang**, "Improved ADRC for a Maglev Planar Motor with a Concentric Winding Structure", Applied Science 6(12), 419, 2016.
- 6. Baoquan Kou, Feng Xing, **Chaoning Zhang**, "Optimal Time Control for a Magnetic Levitation Linear Servo System", Applied Mechanics and Materials, 416, 670-675, 2013.
- 7. Baoquan Kou, Lu Zhang, Binchao Zhang, **Chaoning Zhang**, "Analysis and Optimization of a Linear Synchronous Motor with Novel Halbach Magnet Array", Applied Mechanics and Materials 416, 104-108, 2013.
- 8. Hailin Zhang, Baoquan Kou, Shouming Zhou, Lily Li, **Chaoning Zhang**, "The Highest Efficiency Control of the Stirling Linear Generator", Applied Mechanics and Materials 416, 503-508, 2013.

- 9. He Zhang, Baoquan Kou, Hailin Zhang, Yinxi Jin, **Chaoning Zhang**, "Structural Optimization of an Integrated Winding Structure Short-stroke Planar Motor Driven by Square DC Coils and Permanent Magnets", Applied Mechanics and Materials 416, 221-226, 2013.
- 10. He Zhang, Bao Quan Kou, Shou Lun Guo, Hai Lin Zhang, Yin Xi Jin, **Chaoning Zhang**, Li Yi Li, "Research on the End Effect Detent Force Reduction of Permanent Magnet Linear Synchronous Motor with Auxiliary Poles One-piece Structure", Applied Mechanics and Materials 416, 27-32, 2013.