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EDUCATION

South China University of Technology

Bachelor of Electrical Engineering and Automation

Overall GPA: 3.86/4.00

University of Science and Technology of China

School of Information Science and Technology

Master of Electronic Information

Project 985 & 211, Guangdong, China

2017.9 - 2021.6

Project 985 & 211, Anhui, China

2021.9 - Present

HONORS

• National Scholarship (top1%, highest scholarship from Ministry of Education of China)	2018
• National Scholarship (top1%, highest scholarship from Ministry of Education of China)	2019
• National Scholarship (top1%, highest scholarship from Ministry of Education of China)	2020
• Top Undergraduate Student Award (highest honor of undergraduates, only 10 winners)	2021
• First Prize in The Chinese Mathematics Competitions	2021

RESEARCH INTEREST

Video restoration (deblurring and super-resolution) and bio-inspired Intelligence

PUBLICATIONS

[1] Event-guided Person Re-Identification via Sparse-Dense Complementary Learning

Chenzhi Cao, Xueyang Fu*, Hongjian Liu, Yukun Huang, Kunyu Wang, Jiebo Luo, Zheng-jun Zha

IEEE Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR Accept). Mar. 2023 [Paper] [Code]

[2] Event-driven Video Deblurring via Spatio-Temporal Relation-Aware Network

Chenzhi Cao, Xueyang Fu*, Yurui Zhu, Gege Shi, Zheng-jun Zha

IJCAI (Long Oral Accept, Acceptance Rate<3.75%). Apr. 2022 [Paper] [Code]

[3] Generalized UAV Object Detection via Frequency Domain Disentanglement

Kunyu Wang, Xueyang Fu*, Hongjian Liu, Yukun Huang, Chengzhi Cao, Gege Shi, Zheng-jun Zha IEEE Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR Accept). Mar. 2023

[4] Single Image Shadow Detection via Complementary Mechanism

Yurui Zhu, Xueyang Fu*, Chengzhi Cao, Xi Wang, Qibin Sun, Zheng-jun Zha

Proceedings of the ACM International Conference on Multimedia (ACM MM Accept). Jun. 2022 [Paper][Code]

[5] Discovering Intrinsic Spatial-Temporal Logic Rules to Explain Human Actions

Chengzhi Cao, Chao Yang, Shuang Li*

Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS Under Review), May. 2023.

[6] Event-guided Video Restoration with Spiking-Convolutional Architecture

Chenzhi Cao, Xueyang Fu*, Yurui Zhu, Zhijing Sun, Zheng-jun Zha

IEEE Transactions on Neural Networks and Learning Systems (TNNLS Under Review), Sep. 2022

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Bio-inspired Video Processing with Guidance of Events

University of Science and Technology of China

Advisors: Prof. Xueyang Fu and Zhengjun Zha

Video Deblurring

- Propose a spatio-temporal relation-aware network for event-driven video deblurring, and achieve better performance through fusing features of frames and events properly.
- Propose a spiking neural temporal memory module by capturing long-term relations of event sequences.
- Extract the spatial correlation between frames and events to exploit the complementary information from them.
- Extensive experiments show that our method achieves the SOTA performance on banchmark of video deblurring dataset, including GoPro and HQF.

Video Person Identification

• The first eventguided solution to tackle the video-based Re-ID task.

- Propose a sparse-dense complementary learning network to fully utilize the sparse events and dense frames simultaneously to enhance identity representation learning in degraded conditions.
- Design a deformable spiking neural network to suit the sparse characteristics of event streams, which greatly utilizes the spatial consistency of events to provide motion information for dense RGB frames.

Spatial-Temporal Logic Learning to Explain Human Actions

Chinese University of Hong Kong

- Advisors: Prof.Shuang Li
 - Propose a tractable and differentiable algorithm that can jointly learn the rule content and model parameters from observational data.
 - The overall procedure is an expectation-maximization algorithm, where we treat the rule set as latent variables.
 - In the E-step, the posterior distribution over the latent rule set is evaluated. In the M-step, the model parameters are optimized by maximizing the expected log-likelihood with respect to the current posterior.
 - We demonstrated the promising performance of our model in terms of human action prediction and explanation on two interesting real datasets.

Low-quality Video Detection and Filtering

Tencent, Shenzhen

Advisors: Prof.Kwok Wai Hung and Simon Lui

- Design a multi-scale structure to take advantage of inter-scale correlation for video super-resolution in QQ Music, optimize it by removing unnecessary modules to simplify the network architecture.
- Smoke Detection. Identify the key points of multiple faces, and use them to locate the user's mouth; calculate the matching parameters between the cigarette and mouth. This project is now under implementation.
- Patent Application Number: 2021111598150, 2021109153727, 2021107976749

COMPETITIONS

Third Prize: CVPR Workshop MIPI-challenge - RGBW Joint Fusion and Denoising

Third Prize: CVPR Workshop NTIRE 2023 - HR Depth from Images of Transparent Surfaces

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

University of Science and Technology of China

Artificial Intelligence Theory (210707.01)

Autumn 2022 with Zheng-jun Zha, Zhiwei Xiong and Zilei Wang

SERVICES

Program Committee/External Reviewer: ICCV 2023, ACM MM 2023

SKILLS

Interests: behavior modeling, logic learning and low-level vision (deblurring, super-resolution and deraining)

Programming: Python (Pytorch, Opency), LATEX, Matlab, Microsoft Office

Mathematics: Linear Algebra, Vector Calculus, Probability and Statistic

English: GRE (V158+Q170+AW3.5)