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Current Position	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Harvard Medical School, Athinoula A. Martinos Center for Biomedical Imaging, USA Aug. 2023 - Present <i>Postdoctoral Research Fellow</i> - Hosted by Prof. Juan Eugenio Iglesias and Prof. Bruce Fischl
Research Interests	<p>My research interest is Biomedical AI, and I am focusing on developing core AI/ML algorithms applied to medical imaging problems. In particular, I am interested in:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Topology-Driven Deep Image Analysis• Uncertainty Estimation and Its Applications• Learning with Imperfect Data
Education	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Stony Brook University, Department of CS, USA Jan. 2018 - June 2023 <i>Doctor of Philosophy</i> - Advisor: Chao Chen - Thesis: Learning Topological Representations for Deep Image Understanding - Committee: Chao Chen, Dimitris Samaras, Haibin Ling, Li Fuxin• Tsinghua University, Department of EE, China Sep. 2014 - June 2017 <i>Master of Science</i>• Huazhong University of Science and Technology, Department of EE, China Sep. 2010 - June 2014 <i>Bachelor of Science</i>
Selected Honors and Awards	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Caticosinos Fellowship (2 out of 200+ PhD students in SBU CS Department), 2023• NeurIPS travel award, 2019• First-class Scholarship, Tsinghua University, 2016 (5%)
Selected Publications	<p>(* indicates equal contribution, [†] denotes students working closely with me)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">[1] Anomaly-Guided Weakly Supervised Lesion Segmentation on Retinal OCT Images Jiaqi Yang[†], Nitish Mehta, Gozde Merve Demirci[†], <u>Xiaoling Hu</u>, Meera Ramakrishnan, Mina Naguib, Chao Chen, Chialing Tsai <i>Medical Image Analysis (MedIA)</i>, 2024[2] Topology-Aware Uncertainty for Image Segmentation Saumya Gupta[†], Yikai Zhang, <u>Xiaoling Hu</u>, Prateek Prasanna, Chao Chen <i>Thirty-seventh Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS)</i>, 2023[3] Calibrating Uncertainty for Semi-Supervised Crowd Counting Chen Li[†], <u>Xiaoling Hu</u>, Shahira Abousamra, Chao Chen <i>International Conference on Computer Vision (ICCV)</i>, 2023

- [4] **Enhancing Modality-Agnostic Representations via Meta-Learning for Brain Tumor Segmentation**
Aishik Konwer[†], Xiaoling Hu, Xuan Xu, Joseph Bae, Chao Chen, Prateek Prasanna
International Conference on Computer Vision (ICCV), 2023
- [5] **Learning Probabilistic Topological Representations Using Discrete Morse Theory**
Xiaoling Hu, Dimitris Samaras, Chao Chen
International Conference on Learning Representations (ICLR), 2023 (**Spotlight, notable-top-25%**)
- [6] **Confidence Estimation Using Unlabeled Data**
Chen Li[†], Xiaoling Hu, Chao Chen
International Conference on Learning Representations (ICLR), 2023
- [7] **Structure-Aware Image Segmentation with Homotopy Warping**
Xiaoling Hu
Thirty-sixth Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS), 2022
- [8] **Learning Topological Interactions for Multi-Class Medical Image Segmentation**
Saumya Gupta^{*†}, Xiaoling Hu^{*}, James Kaan, Michael Jin, Mutshipay Mpoy, Katherine Chung, Gagandeep Singh, Mary Saltz, Tahsin Kurc, Joel Saltz, Apostolos Tassiopoulos, Prateek Prasanna, Chao Chen
European Conference on Computer Vision (ECCV), 2022 (**Oral, 2.7%**)
- [9] **Trigger Hunting with a Topological Prior for Trojan Detection**
Xiaoling Hu, Xiao Lin, Michael Cogswell, Yi Yao, Susmit Jha, Chao Chen
International Conference on Learning Representations (ICLR), 2022
- [10] **A Manifold View of Adversarial Risk**
Wenjia Zhang, Yikai Zhang, Xiaoling Hu, Mayank Goswami, Chao Chen, Dimitris Metaxas
International Conference on Artificial Intelligence and Statistics (AISTATS), 2022
- [11] **Topology-Attention ConvLSTM Network for 3D Image Segmentation**
Jiaqi Yang^{*†}, Xiaoling Hu^{*}, Chao Chen, Chialing Tsai
International Conference on Medical Image Computing and Computer Assisted Intervention (MICCAI), 2021
- [12] **Topology-Aware Segmentation Using Discrete Morse Theory**
Xiaoling Hu, Yusu Wang, Li Fuxin, Dimitris Samaras, Chao Chen
International Conference on Learning Representations (ICLR), 2021 (**Spotlight, 5.6%**)
- [13] **3D Topology-Preserving Segmentation with Compound Multi-Slice Representation**
Jiaqi Yang^{*†}, Xiaoling Hu^{*}, Chao Chen, Chialing Tsai
IEEE International Symposium on Biomedical Imaging (ISBI), 2021
- [14] **Topology-Preserving Deep Image Segmentation**
Xiaoling Hu, Li Fuxin, Dimitris Samaras, Chao Chen
Thirty-third Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS), 2019
- [15] **Saliency Detection based on Integration of Central Bias, Reweighting and Multi-Scale for Superpixels**
Xiaoling Hu, Wenming Yang, Fei Zhou, Qingmin Liao
IEEE International Conference on Acoustics, Speech and Signal Processing (ICASSP), 2016

Preprints

(* indicates equal contribution, [†] denotes students working closely with me)

- [1] **Semi-Supervised Contrastive VAE for Disentanglement of Digital Pathology Images**
Mahmudul Hasan[†], [Xiaoling Hu](#), Shahira Abousamra, Prateek Prasanna, Joel Saltz, Chao Chen
Tech Report
- [2] **Hard Negative Sample Mining for Whole Slide Image Classification**
Wentao Huang[†], [Xiaoling Hu](#), Shahira Abousamra, Prateek Prasanna, Chao Chen
Tech Report
- [3] **Registration by Regression (RbR): a framework for interpretable and flexible atlas registration**
Karthik Gopinath*, [Xiaoling Hu](#)*, Malte Hoffmann, Oula Puonti, Juan Eugenio Iglesias
Tech Report
- [4] **P-Count: Persistence-based Counting of White Matter Hyperintensities in Brain MRI**
[Xiaoling Hu](#), Annabel Sorby-Adams, Frederik Barkhof, William Kimberly, Oula Puonti, Juan Eugenio Iglesias
Tech Report
- [5] **Spatial Diffusion for Cell Layout Generation**
Chen Li[†], [Xiaoling Hu](#), Shahira Abousamra, Meilong Xu, Chao Chen
Tech Report
- [6] **TopoSemiSeg: Enforcing Topological Consistency for Semi-Supervised Segmentation of Histopathology Images**
Meilong Xu[†], [Xiaoling Hu](#), Saumya Gupta, Shahira Abousamra, Chao Chen
Tech Report
- [7] **Brain-ID: Learning Robust Feature Representations for Brain Imaging**
Peirong Liu, Oula Puonti, [Xiaoling Hu](#), Daniel C. Alexander, Juan Eugenio Iglesias
Tech Report
- [8] **Deep Statistic Shape Model for Myocardium Segmentation**
[Xiaoling Hu](#), Xiao Chen, Terrence Chen, Shanhui Sun
Tech Report

Experiences

Stony Brook University, Department of CS, USA

Sep. 2018 - June 2023

Research Assistant

Advisor: *Prof.* Chao Chen

- Topological Data Analysis
- Computer Vision, Medical Imaging
- Robust Machine Learning

Allen Institute, USA

May 2022 - Aug. 2022

Research Intern

Mentor: *Dr.* Matheus Viana

- Topology-Aware Image Segmentation

United Imaging Intelligence (UII), USA

May 2021 - Aug. 2021

Research Intern

Mentor: *Dr. Shanhui Sun*

- Deep Shape Model Based Network

Tencent Youtu Lab, China

Jun. 2017 - Jan. 2018

Research Intern

Mentor: *Dr. Yuwing Tai*

- Clothes Detection, Attribute Prediction

Skills

- **Languages:** C/C++, Matlab, Python, Lua, Java
- **OS:** Linux, Mac OS, Windows
- **Tools:** Caffe, Torch, Tensorflow, PyTorch, OpenCV

Mentoring

- Jiaqi Yang (Spring 2020 – Now, **MICCAI’21, ISBI’21, MedIA’24**), Ph.D Student at Department of CS, CUNY
- Chen Li (Fall 2021 – Now, **ICLR’23, ICCV’23**), Ph.D Student at Department of BMI, Stony Brook University
- Saumya Gupta (Fall 2021 – Summer 2023, **ECCV’22, NeurIPS’23**), Ph.D Student at Department of CS, Stony Brook University
- Meilong Xu (Summer 2023 – Now), Ph.D Student at Department of CS, Stony Brook University
- Wentao Huang (Summer 2023 – Now), Ph.D Student at Department of CS, Stony Brook University
- John Xie (Summer 2021), High School Student → University of Michigan

Service

- Organizer, MICCAI’23 tutorial on *Topology-Driven Image Analysis*
- Organizer, MICCAI’24 workshop on *The First Workshop on Topology-Driven Image Analysis and Beyond*
- Reviewer, International Conference on Machine Learning (ICML)
- Reviewer, International Conference on Learning Representations (ICLR)
- Reviewer, Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS)
- Reviewer, Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR)
- Reviewer, European Conference on Computer Vision (ICCV)
- Reviewer, European Conference on Computer Vision (ECCV)
- Reviewer, Winter Conference on Applications of Computer Vision (WACV)
- Reviewer, Artificial Intelligence and Statistics (AISTATS)
- Reviewer, International Conference on Medical Image Computing and Computer Assisted Intervention (MICCAI)
- Reviewer, Learning on Graphs Conference (LoG)
- Reviewer, Medical Imaging with Deep Learning (MIDL)
- Program Committee, AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence (AAAI)
- Reviewer, Pattern Recognition (PR)
- Reviewer, IEEE Transactions on Medical Imaging (TMI)

Talks

Topology-Aware Deep Image Segmentation

- MICCAI'23 tutorial on *Topology-Driven Image Analysis*, Vancouver, Oct. 2023

Learning Topological Representations for Deep Image Understanding

- Department of CS, Florida State University, Apr. 2023
- Department of BMI, Ohio State University, Mar. 2023
- Department of CS, Rochester Institute of Technology, Feb. 2023
- Department of ECE, University of California, Riverside, Feb. 2023
- Athinoula A. Martinos Center for Biomedical Imaging, MGH/Harvard Medical School, Nov. 2022

Learning Probabilistic Topological Representations Using Discrete Morse Theory

- Medical Imaging meets NeurIPS Workshop, New Orleans, Dec. 2022

Topology-Informed Image Analysis

- Center for Computational Neuroscience, Flatiron Institute, Oct. 2022

Topology-Aware Deep Image Segmentation

- Geometry and Topology meet Data Analysis and Machine Learning (GTDAML), Online, Aug. 2021

Topology-aware Segmentation Using Discrete Morse Theory

- International Conference on Learning Representations (ICLR), Online, May 2021

References

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