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#### EDUCATION

# · Zhiyuan College, Shanghai Jiao Tong University

Shanghai, China

Bachelor of Computer Science

Sept 2021 - Present

- ▶ Member of John Hopcroft Honors Class, which is an elite CS program for top 5% talented students.
- Overall GPA: 86.39/100, Major GPA: 89.47/100.
- ▶ Selected Courses:
  - \* Computer Science: Programming and data structure II (A+), Programming and data structure III (A+), Efficient Tools and Effective Operations in Computer Systems (A+), Data Mining (A+), Computer System Design and Implementation (A+), Cryptography in Blockchain (A+), Operating System (A)
  - \* Mathematics: Optimization Methods (A+), Computational Complexity (A+), Information Theory (A), Topics in Modern Algorithms (A)

# Paper

# • LayerT2V: Customize Object Trajectory via Transparent Video Layering

(To be submitted)

Kangrui Cen, Kelvin C.K. Chan, Xiaohong Liu, Ming-Hsuan Yang 🖺 Paper

 $VL ext{-}Lab,\ UC\ Merced$ 

# RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

#### • Basic-Lab, SJTU

Shanghai, China

■ Optimization for Parallel Graph Algorithm based on Hierarchical Architecture

June 2023 - Jan 2024

- o Research Intern, supervised by Prof. Qiang Yin.
- Performing hierarchical decomposition of a large-scale image followed by precomputation to enhance the overall performance of dynamic graph analysis.
- o Optimizing the graph partitioning algorithm to minimize the frequency of loading subgraphs onto the GPU, thereby achieving GPU acceleration.
- o Theoretical proof of the correctness of the hierarchical graph algorithm for the Single-Source Shortest Path problem.

#### • MultiMedia-Lab, SJTU

Shanghai, China

**■** Advanced Deep Learning Approaches for Image Quality Analysis and Enhancement

Feb 2024 - Present

- $_{\odot}\;$  Research Intern, supervised by Prof. Xiaohong Liu.
- Local quality reduction of high-quality images from AIGI using a diffusion model with masks to construct the corresponding dataset.
- Regression prediction of the argument of the diffusion model and the degree of localized quality reduction using neural network.
- $_{\odot}\,$  Design a CNN-based network that can predict the localized quality scores of AIGI.

#### Vision and Learning Lab, University of California Merced

Merced, America

**■** LayerT2V: Customize Object Trajectory via Transparent Video Layering

June 2024 - Present

- Exchange Scholar, supervised by Prof. Ming-Hsuan Yang, advised by Dr. Kelvin C.K. Chan in Google DeepMind.
- Put forward a novel pipeline that generates videos step-by-step by layering backgrounds and foreground objects separately.
- o These transparent video layers allow for the flexible compositing of multiple independent elements within a video, with each element positioned on a distinct *layer*, enabling complex visual effects and greater control over the generation process.
- $\circ$  Layer T2V is capable of handling complex scenarios with multiple moving objects, and demonstrates the best results compared to state-of-the-art methods.

## Course Project

## • Bootstrapping Diffusion Model

Shanghai, China

CS3964 Image Processing and Computer Vision Course Project

Dec 2023

- o Leverage synthetic data generated by the model training and train Diffusion/GAN model in a bootstrap manner.
- o Give an affirmative conclusion that generative model can boot-strap itself to deepen its understanding.
- ⊙ By recycling samples over successive generations, we continually expand the breadth and variety of our training data.
   ♠ GitHub ♠ Project Paper

· Using information theoretic metrics to study the importance of individual neurons

ICE2601 Information Theory Course Project

Shanghai, China May 2023

- Use information theoretic metrics for node pruning to learn the importance of individual neurons at different levels in the whole deep neural network.
- $\circ$  Entropy, Mutual information and KL-Selectivity are used to determine the order of ablation.
- o Figure it out that it is reasonable to use mutual information and KL-Selectivity as indicators of node pruning, indicating that they are strongly correlated with the classification results. 
  O GitHub Project Paper Slides

### Honors and Awards

• Undergraduate Class B Scholarship

2022,2023

• Zhiyuan Honors Scholarship

2021,2022,2023

• Meritorious Winner of Mathematical Contest In Modeling

2022

# OTHER EXPERIENCE

• Teaching Assistant

 $2023\ Summer\ Semester$ 

Programming and data structure III

• Proficient with: C/C++/C#, Python (PyTorch, NumPy, etc.), Rust, Linux, LATEX