

# TIANAO LI

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## EDUCATION

**Tsinghua University**, Beijing, P.R.China

*Sept. 2019 - Jun. 2023*

*B.E. in Electronic Engineering*

*Curricular Certificate Program in Astronomy*

*GPA: 3.84/4.0 (overall)*

*Relevant Coursework:* Digital Image Processing (A-), Introduction to Fourier Optics (A), Probability and Stochastic Processes (A), Introduction to Auditory-Visual Information System (A-), Advanced Matlab Programming (A+), Data and Algorithm (A-), Signals and Systems (A-), Digital Signal Processing (A-), Linear Algebra(A-)

**Beijing No.4 High School**, Beijing, P.R.China

*Sept. 2016 - Jun. 2019*

## HONORS & AWARDS

- **Tsinghua University Scholarship of Comprehensive Excellence (top 10%, 2022)**
- **Tsinghua University Scholarship of Comprehensive Excellence (top 10%, 2021)**
- National College Students' Physics Competition: First Award (2020)
- Tsinghua University Scholarship of Social Work (2020)
- Tsinghua Hardware Design Competition: Third Award (2020)

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

My research interest lies at the intersection of computational imaging, computer vision, signal processing, optimization, and machine learning. I'm especially interested in inverse problems, physics-informed deep learning in imaging, and astronomical imaging. I'm also open to bio-inspired vision, HDR imaging, biomedical imaging, and NeRf.

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

**Northwestern University**, Evanston, IL, USA

*Apr. 2022 - Oct. 2022*

*Bio-Inspired Vision Lab*

Research Intern (Remote), Advisor: **Prof. Emma Alexander**

- Applied algorithm unrolling to the PSF deconvolution problem in galaxy images, significantly reducing systematic error in weak gravitational lensing shear measurements. Adopted a more appropriate Poisson noise model and used a neural network to learn the priors with Plug-and-Play ADMM.
- The proposed method outperforms previous algorithms in shape error of recovered galaxies.
- Paper submitted to Monthly Notices of the Royal Astronomy Society (MNRAS), currently under review.

**Tsinghua University**, Beijing, P.R. China

*Sept. 2021 - Feb. 2022*

*Tsinghua Visual Intelligence and Computational Imaging Lab*

Research Assistant, Advisor: **Prof. Lu Fang**

- Collaborated with a Ph.D. student on an Diffractive Neural Network (DNN) implementation of NeRf.
- Implemented a Point Cloud classification network with DNN.

## SKILLS

- **Coding:** Python, PyTorch, TensorFlow, Matlab, C/C++, Git,  $\text{\LaTeX}$
- **Language:** English (TOEFL:111, S:26), Mandarin (Native)

## SELECTED PROJECTS

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### **Fire Detection** [Github]

Jun. 2022

- A Python implementation of a non-deep learning fire detection pipeline.
- Pipeline comprises of three parts: color space classifier, color component classifier and texture classifier.
- The model was trained and tested on the BoWFire Dataset and is able to detect fire from static images with an accuracy of 80%.

### **Video-Audio Signal Processing** [Github]

Dec. 2021

- Developed joint video-audio processing algorithms in Python.
- The algorithm is capable of recognizing faces from videos clips, recognizing voices from audios and separating speeches from videos with given visual and audio information of the speakers.

### **Video Editing Based on Rhythm Matching** [Github] [Video]

Jul. 2021

- Developed a video-editing algorithm in Matlab.
- Our algorithm was designed to create a video from a given set of video clips and a piece of background music to best match the clips' audio rhythm with the background music.

## EXTRA-CURRICULARS

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- **Vice president of Tsinghua Astronomy Society (2021-22).**
- Head of school observatory (2021-22).
- Organized astronomical popularization summer camp for junior high students in Guizhou and Xizang, China in 2021.
- Volunteer at Tsinghua Q&A Workshop with a total service hour of 147.5h.