# TIANAO LI

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#### **EDUCATION**

**Tsinghua University** 

Beijing, P.R.China

B.E. in Electronic Engineering

Sept. 2019 - Jun. 2023

Curricular Certificate Program in Astronomy

GPA: 3.84/4.0 (top 20%)

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** 

High School Diploma

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)
- First Prize in National College Students' Physics Competition (top 1%, 2020)
- Tsinghua University Scholarship of Social Work (2020)
- Third Prize in Tsinghua Hardware Design Competition (top 5%, 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 in imaging, physics-informed deep learning, and astronomical imaging. I'm also open to bio-inspired vision, NeRF, and HDR imaging.

# **PUBLICATIONS**

[1] Tianao Li, Emma Alexander. Galaxy Image Deconvolution for Weak Gravitational Lensing with Physics-informed Deep Learning, in submission, 2022.

### RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Northwestern University, Bio-Inspired Vision Lab

Evaston, IL, USA

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

Apr. 2022 - Present

- 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 Astronomical Society (MNRAS), currently under review.

**Tsinghua University**, *Tsinghua Visual Intelligence and Computational Imaging Lab* 

Beijing, P.R.China

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

Sept. 2021 - Feb. 2022

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

#### **SKILLS**

- Coding: Python, PyTorch, TensorFlow, Matlab, C/C++, Git, LATEX

- Language: English (TOEFL:111, S:26), Mandarin (Native)

Fire Detection [Github] Jun. 2022

- A Python implemention 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**

- 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.