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CONTACT 1600 Amphitheatre Pkwy Tel: (+1) 443-240-5261 Mountain View, CA 94043 Email: mikumkf@gmail.com **United States CURRENT** • Google Research Mountain View, CA 94043 Research Scientist 2024 - current Work responsibilities: 1. develop large-scale text2image model. 2. design high-quality multimodal conditioned image & video generation 3. efficient diffusion sampling **INTERESTS** • Image & Video Generation with Diffusion Models • Multimodal Large Language Vision Models and Applications **EXPERIENCE** • Google Research Mountain View, CA 05/2023 - 2024 Student Researcher • Adobe Research, Research Engineering and Design Lab (RED) San Jose, CA Research Intern 05/2022 - 11/2022 • Alibaba-Group, DAMO Academy Shenzhen, China Research Intern 06/2020 - 11/2020 Beijing, China Kwai Technology **Imaging Algorithm Engineer Intern** 07/2018 - 05/2019 **EDUCATION** • Johns Hopkins University Baltimore, MD Ph.D. Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering 09/2021 - 01/2025 • The Chinese University of Hong Kong Shenzhen, China M.Phil. School of Science and Engineering 09/2019 - 06/2021 Jiangxi Normal University Nanchang, China B.Eng. School of Computer Science and Engineering 09/2015 - 06/2019 **PUBLICATIONS** Google Scholar Profile: https://scholar.google.com/citations?user= (Jan 2025) Citations: 1803 H-Index: 14 e_nu_TIAAAAJ&hl=en CONFERENCE PAPERS: (1 ICLR, 2 CVPR, 2 ECCV, 2 AAAI, 2 WACV, 1 ACCV) [PDF] [C01] Kangfu Mei, Hossein Talebi, Mojtaba Ardakani, Vishal M. Patel, Peyman Milanfar, Mauricio Delbracio. "The Power of Context: How Multimodality Improves Image Super-Resolution" IEEE/CVF Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR), 2025. [C02] Kangfu Mei, Mo Zhou, Vishal M. Patel. "Field-DiT: Diffusion Transformer on [arXiv] Unified Video, 3D, and Game Field Generation" International Conference on Learning Representations (ICLR), 2025.

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ACTIVITIES

• Reviewer of International Conferences

0	IEEE Conf. on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR)	2020 - 2024
0	International Conf. on Computer Vision (ICCV)	2021 - 2023
0	European Conf. on Computer Vision (ECCV)	2020 - 2024
0	AAAI Conf. on Artificial Intelligence (AAAI)	2021 - 2022
0	Winter Conf. on Applications of Computer Vision (WACV)	2021 - 2024
0	Asian Conf. on Computer vision (ACCV)	2018 - 2024

· Reviewer of International Journals

0	IEEE Trans. on Neural Networks and Learning Systems (TNNLS)	2022
0	IEEE Trans. on Circuits and Systems for Video Technology (TCSV)	Γ) 2022
0	IEEE Trans. on Image Processing (TIP)	2022
0	IEEE Trans. on Multimedia (TMM)	2023
0	International Journal of Computer Vision (IJCV)	2023 - 2024
0	Computer Vision and Image Understanding (CVEU)	2021 - 2022

PRESENTATIONS

Deep Generative Models and Computational Photography, Luma Seminar, Google. (Jun 2023)

Conditional Diffusion Distillation for Higher-Fidelity and Faster Image Generation, CCI CVPR Share-a-thon, Google. (Dec 2023)

Video Implicit Diffusion Models, AAAI23 Pre-presentation, AI TIME. (Jan 2023)

Honors

- First place, Advances in Image Manipulation Challenges (RAW2RGB) in ICCV 2019
- 6-th, New Trends in Image Restoration and Enhancement (Dehazing) in CVPR 2018