# Yun Chen

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#### EDUCATION

#### The University of Texas at Austin

PhD, Electrical and Computer Engineering (GPA: 3.95/4.0)

May. 2023

 Core Courses: Large Scale Optimization, Wireless Communications Lab, Digital Image Processing, Game Theory, Block-chain Technologies, Graph Theory, Reinforcement Learning, Data Mining, Digital Video.

#### **PUBLICATIONS**

- Y. Chen, N. Gonzalez-Prelcic, RW. Heath, "Collision-free UAV Navigation With a Monocular Camera Using Deep Reinforcement Learning", in 2020 IEEE International Workshop on Machine Learning for Signal Processing, Espoo, Finland, Sep. 2020.
- [Best Paper Award] Y. Chen, X. Lin, T. Khan, M. Mozaffari, "Efficient Drone Mobility Support Using Reinforcement Learning", in 2020 IEEE Wireless Communications and Networking Conference (IEEE WCNC 2020), Seoul, South Korea, May. 2020.
- Y. Chen, W. Yan, C. Li, Y. Huang, and L. Yang, "Personalized Optimal Bicycle Trip Planning Based on Q-learning Algorithm", in 2018 IEEE Wireless Communications and Networking Conference (IEEE WCNC 2018), Barcelona, Spain, Apr. 2018.
- Y. Wang, Y. Chen, H. Dai, Y. Huang, and L. Yang, "A Learning-Based Approach for Proactive Caching in Wireless Communication Networks", in *The Ninth International Conference on Wireless Communications and Signal Processing*, Nanjing, China, Oct. 2017.

### ACADEMIC RESEARCH AND PROJECTS

# Video Assisted UAV Ego-movement Tracking

Austin, TX

Advisor - Prof. Alan Bovik

Feb. 2020 - May. 2020

- o Address the self localization problem of UAVs using video inputs.
- Estimate movements of other objects that present in the video in scenarios like automated driving and flying.

#### Smooth UAV Navigation without Collision

Austin, TX

Advisor - Prof. Robert Heath

Feb. 2019 - Feb. 2020

- Make a drone fly smoothly without collisions using object detection and Reinforcement Learning.
- Realize drone navigation in both simulations and real-world tests based on ROS platform.

#### Monocular Camera Based Fitness Motion Correction

Austin, TX

Advisor - Prof. Alan Bovik

Oct. 2018 - Dec. 2018

- Bone recognition based on OpenPose framework.
- o Performed 2D to 3D image transformation to get joint angles of human bodies.
- Realized correction of fitness motions (plank, squats, etc.) by analysing skeleton positions and joint angles.

# Personalized Bicycle Trip Planning Based on Q-learning Algorithm

Nanjing, China

Excellent (Top 10) Graduation Project in SEU, Advisor - Prof. Luxi Yang

Mar. 2017 - Jun. 2017

- Evaluated user preferences by predicting popularity of point of interest using Echo State Network.
- $\circ~$  Generated overall optimal bicycle trips with the Q-learning algorithm.
- Proposed a novel algorithm for route augmentation while maintaining overall optimality.

#### WORK EXPERIENCE

# Research Intern for A2G Communication Optimization Ericsson Inc.

Austin, TX

Graduate Research Assistant

 $Jun.\ 2020$  - present

WNCG, ECE, UT Austin

Austin, TX
Sep. 2019 - May. 2020

Research Intern for Drone Mobility Support

Santa Clara, CA

Ericsson Inc.

Jun. 2019 - Aug. 2019

Teaching Assistant of Probability and Random Process

Austin, TX

ECE, UT Austin

Jan. 2019 - May. 2019

Image Processing Intern
China Network Valley (CNV)

Nanjing, China
Apr. 2016 - Jul. 2016

# Professional Skills

# • Computer Skills:

- o Language: Python, Matlab, C++, HTML
- o Framework: Tensorflow, Pytorch
- o Platform: ROS
- Language: English (fluent), Mandarin (native)