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EDUCATION

King Abdullah University of Science and Technology (KAUST)   Dec 2021 - Present
Ph.D. Student supervised by Prof. Peter Richtárik
Research Interests: Machine Learning, Optimization

King Abdullah University of Science and Technology (KAUST)   Sep 2020 - Dec 2021
M.S. of Vision-CAIR, supervised by Prof. Mohamed Elhoseiny
Research Interests: Zero-Shot Learning, Vision and Language
Thesis: Domain-Aware Continual Zero-Shot learning

Xi'an Jiaotong University (XJTU), Xi'an, China   Aug 2015 - Jun 2019
B.S. of Software Engineering, Overall GPA: 85.49/100
Thesis: Accurate Object Detection and Weakly-Supervised Perception in Complex Scenes,
          supervised by Prof. Nanning Zheng and rated as A+ (Top 1%)

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Tencent AI Lab   Dec 2020 - Apr 2021
Research Intern, supervised by Dr. Jiaxiang Wu   Shenzhen, China
- Develop machine learning algorithms for bioinformatic data.

Carnegie Mellon University   Feb 2020 - Dec 2020
Research Intern, supervised by Prof. Min Xu   Remote
- Interpret and analyze Cryo-ET data by using machine learning.

National University of Singapore   Apr 2019 - Sep 2019
Research Intern, advised by Prof. Angela Yao   Singapore
- Develop sequential methods for single RGB image based 3D pose estimation in videos.

Sensetime Group Limited   Mar 2019 - Jun 2019
Research Intern with Dr. Wentao Liu   Beijing, China
- Develop accurate & fast object detection methods for commercial embedded chips.

Institute of Artificial Intelligence and Robotics   July 2017 - Feb 2019
Research and Engineering Intern with Prof. Nanning Zheng   Xi'an, China
- Cognition-based accurate small object detection for autonomous driving.

PUBLICATIONS

[1] Domain-Aware Continual Zero-Shot Learning. **Kai Yi**, Mohamed Elhoseiny. *Under Review*, 2022.

[2] VisualGPT: Data-efficient Adaptation of Pretrained Language Models for Image Captioning. Jun Chen, Han Hao, **Kai Yi**, Boyang Li, Mohamed Elhoseiny. *Under Review*, 2022.

[3] Imaginative Walks: Generative Random Walk Deviation Loss for Improved Unseen Learning Representation. Divyansh Jha*, **Kai Yi***, Ivan Skorokhodov, Mohamed Elhoseiny. arXiv, 2021.

[4] Learning To Disentangle Semantic Features From cryo-ET with 3D Spatial Generative Network. **Kai Yi**, Yungeng Zhang, Jianye Pang, Xiangrui Zeng, Min Xu. *Under Submission*, 2021.

[5] Unsupervised Domain Alignment based Open Set Structural Recognition of Macromolecules Captured by Cryo-Electron Tomography. Yuchen Zeng, Xiangrui Zeng, **Kai Yi**, Jie Jin, Jing Zhang, Yi-Wei Chang, Yang Ge, Min Xu. *ICIP*, 2021.

[6] CIZSL++: Creativity Inspired Generative Zero-Shot Learning. Mohamed Elhoseiny, **Kai Yi**, Mohamed Elfeki. *Submitted to T-PAMI*, arXiv.

[7] Experimental Analysis of Legendre Decomposition in Machine Learning. Jianye Pang, **Kai Yi**, Wanguang Yin, Min Xu. *Technical Report*, 2020.

[8] Feature Selective Small Object Detection via Knowledge-based Recurrent Attentive Network. **Kai Yi**, Zhiqiang Jian, Shitao Chen, Nanning Zheng. *Technical Report*, 2019.

[9] Affine LBG for Codebook Training of Univariate Linear Representation. Tiannan Dong, Jianji Wang, Meng Yang, **Kai Yi**, Nanning Zheng. *IEEE Global Conference on Signal and Information Processing (GlobalSIP)*, 2018.

[10] Cognition-based Deep Learning: Progresses and Perspectives. **Kai Yi**, Shitao Chen, Yu Chen, Chao Xia, Nanning Zheng. *Artificial Intelligence Applications and Innovations (AIAI)*, 2018 (Oral).

PROJECTS

[1] Continual Zero-Shot Learning with Neural-Augmented Variational AutoEncoder. **Kai Yi**. ECE354: Introduction to Computer Vision, Final Project, 2021.

[2] Learning Unseen Classes with Deviation Losses. **Kai Yi**. CS394D: Comteporary Topics in Machine Learning, Final Project, 2020.

[3] Hierarchical Conceptual Rotation of Mental Knowledge Representation. **Kai Yi**, Feng Yu, Liang Zhao, Tingting Han. *Project: Final-term Paper of Social Psychology*, 2018.

[4] Personalized Speech Synthesis System for Alleviating Loneliness of Old People (CN). **Kai Yi**, Xinyu Jiang, Shuanghe Yu, Jianye Pang. *Project: National Undergraduates Innovation Project, rated as 'Excellent'*, 2018

TEACHING & SERVICES

Reviewer:	CVPR22, WACV22-21, BMVC21-20, ITSC21-18, IV21,18, TNNLS
Teaching Assistant:	Introduction to Machine Learning (XJTU Undergraduate Course)
	Computer Architecture (XJTU Undergraduate Course)

AWARDS & HONORS

- KAUST Graduate Scholarship	2020-
- Outstanding Graduates of XJTU (top 5%)	2019
- Zeng Xianzi Scholarship (37/4100, top 0.9%)	2016-2018
- Candidate of 6th Excellent Student Model of XJTU (6/37)	2018
- Outstanding Leader of the Students' Union (top 2%)	2016
- Excellent Student Award (top 5%) of XJTU	2016-2018

ACTIVITIES

- KAUST CEMSE Student Ambassador	Sep 2021 - Now
- Volunteer of ICML 2021; NeurIPS 2020, 2021.	

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Skills: Proficient in Python, Pytorch, TensorFlow, and Android Developments, Master C++
Hobbies: Fond of long-distance running and reading classical German philosophy works