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#### **EDUCATION**

# • Tongji University, Shanghai, China

2015.9 - 2020.6(expected)

B.Eng. in Mechanical Engineering

- GPA Overall: 3.77/4.0 (equivalent to 90/100)
- GPA Major: 3.91/4.0 (equivalent to 92/100)
- Supervisor: Prof. Changhong Fu (Director of Vision4Robotics Group)
- Scholarship: National Scholarship (top 1%), Shanghai Scholarship (top 1%), National Endeavor Scholarship, Excellent Student Scholarship, School Practice Scholarship.

# • Tsinghua University, Beijing, China

2019.9 - 2019.10

Visiting Student in Department of Automation

- Supervisor: Prof. Geng Lu (Director of UAV Lab)

#### RESEARCH INTERESTS

- Robot Vision and Learning, Aerial Robotics, Visual Tracking, Pose Estimation
- Semantic Analytics, 3D and 4D Vision, Multi-Robot System, Multi-Model Perception

# RESEARCH EXPERIENCES

# Developing Robust and Real-Time Aerial Tracking Algorithms on CPU 2018.7 - present

- Proposed a general automatic spatio-temporal regularization method. (submitted to CVPR 2020)
- Incorporated memory augmentation to tackle filter corruption issues. (submitted to ICRA 2020)
- Proposed to repress the aberrance in correlation filter framework. (published in ICCV 2019)
- Exploited the part-based method to deal with partial appearance variation. (under revision)
- Fused multiple features to construct robust representation. (published in Remote Sensing)

# Investigating Deep Learning-based Visual Tracking for UAV

2019.3 - present

- Exploited the keyframe technique and proposed a keyfilter-aware tracker for mitigating filter corruptions and lowering the redundancy of context learning. Utilized lightweight convolution features to efficiently and effectively raise the tracking robustness. (submitted to ICRA 2020)
- Explored the multi-frame strategy and developed the multi-frame consensus verification for achieving long-term tracking. Fused features form different layers of CNN including both spatial and semantic information to achieve accurate tracking. (published in IROS 2019)
- Designed a collaborative multi-recommender scheme to unlock CNN's potential. (under revision)

- Developed fast trackers on C++ platform to track the markers observed by a moving camera.
- Developed a monocular pose estimation system with high versatility and accuracy.
- Tested the monocular localization system in ROS Gazebo and validated it on quanser platform.

#### SELECTED PROJECTS

# UAV-loaded Serpentine Manipulator for Search and Rescue

2018.5 - 2018.7

- Designed the overall structure of separable UAV-loaded Serpentine Manipulator.
- Finished writing the specification and submitted the National Patent for Invention application.

#### Structure Design for Drone's Wireless Charging

2018.5 - 2018.7

- Conducted the overall structure design of a 3-DOF wireless charging facility for drones.
- Enhanced the accuracy when the drone approached the ground with imprecise poses.

# **ZEAL Eco-Power Racing Vehicle Team**

2016.10 - 2019.10

- Committed to designing and manufacturing Eco-Power car, specifically the control system.
- Designed velocity sensor, SD data logger and automatic throttle controller using ARM Cortex-M.

## Design of a Hiking Assistance Device

2016.7 - 2017.7

- Completed the overall structure design of the light-weight hiking assistance foldable drone.
- Applied the finite element analysis (FEA) methods to check the strength of all stressed parts.

#### **PUBLICATIONS**

(\* highlights my supervisor. My contributions in the third author-papers are proposing ideas, conducting experiments as well as revising papers, and in the fourth author-papers are revising papers.)

## Journals:

- Changhong Fu\*, Fuling Lin, **Yiming Li**, Guang Chen. Correlation Filter-Based Visual Tracking for UAV with Online Multi-Feature Learning, Remote Sensing, 11.5 (2019): 549.
- Yiming Li, Changhong Fu\*, Ziyuan Huang, Yinqiang Zhang, Jia Pan. Intermittent Contextual Learning for Keyfilter-Aware UAV Object Tracking Using Deep Convolutional Feature, IEEE Transactions on Multimedia, 2019. Under revision<sup>1</sup>.
- Changhong Fu\*, Ziyuan Huang, **Yiming Li**, Ran Duan, Peng Lu. Online Enhanced Background Learning for Boundary Effect-Aware Visual Tracking for UAV with Consensus Verification, IEEE Transactions on Knowledge and Data Engineering, 2019. Under preparation.

#### Conferences:

• Ziyuan Huang, Changhong Fu\*, **Yiming Li**, Fulin Lin, Peng Lu. *Learning Aberrance Repressed Correlation Filters for Real-Time UAV Tracking*, in IEEE International Conference on Computer Vision (**ICCV'19**), Seoul, Korea, Oct. 2019.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Evaluations from three reviewers: novel enough for publication, technically sound and significant contribution.

- Changhong Fu\*, Ziyuan Huang, Yiming Li, Ran Duan, Peng Lu. Boundary Effect-Aware Visual Tracking for UAV with Online Enhanced Background Learning and Multi-Frame Consensus Verification, in IEEE/RSJ International Conference on Intelligent Robots and Systems (IROS'19), Macau, China, Nov. 2019.
- Yiming Li, etal. Automatic Spatio-Temporal Regularization: A General Approach in Correlation Filters for Fast UAV Tracking, in IEEE Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR'20). Under review.
- Yiming Li, Changhong Fu\*, Fangqiang Ding, Ziyuan Huang, Jia Pan. Augmented Memory for Correlation Filters in Real-time UAV Tracking, in IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA'20). Under review.
- Yiming Li, Changhong Fu\*, Ziyuan Huang, Yinqiang Zhang, Jia Pan. Keyfilter-Aware Real-Time UAV Object Tracking, in IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA'20). Under review.
- Yujie He, Changhong Fu\*, Fuling Lin, **Yiming Li**, Peng Lu. *Tri-Attention Correlation Filter for Effective UAV Object Tracking*, in IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation (**ICRA'20**). Under review.
- Fan Li, Changhong Fu\*, Fuling Lin, **Yiming Li**, Peng Lu. *Training-set Distillation for Real-Time UAV Object Tracking*, in IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation (**ICRA'20**). Under review.

#### AWARDS

• Top 10 Undergraduate Researchers in Tongji University <sup>2</sup>	2019.12
$\bullet$ Model of Outstanding Students in Tongji University (0.15 $\%)$	2019.1
• Second Prize of National Undergraduate Innovation and Entrepreneurship Competition	2018.11
• First Prize of the 3rd Shanghai Mechanics Competition	2018.6
• First Prize of the 8th Shanghai Innovation Design Competition	2018.5
• Meritorious Winner in 2018 Mathematics Contest in Modeling	2018.3
• Champion of 2017 Honda Eco Mileage Challenge (GS Group)	2017.10
• Third Prize of China Undergraduate Mathematical Competition in Modeling	2017.10
• Second Prize of Tongji Undergraduate Mathematical Competition in Modeling	2017.5
• Third Prize of Tongji Undergraduate General Physics Competition	2016.5

## **SERVICE**

Reviewer: IEEE International Conference on Advanced Robotics and Mechatronics (ARM), 2019

#### KEY SKILLS

**Language**: English: TOEFL **105**(R29,L27,S24,W25), GRE **324**(V156+Q168+AW4.0); German(B1). **Programming**: C/C++, Python, Matlab.

Tools: Robot Operating System, LaTex, Autodesk Inventor, Adobe After Effects, Adobe Premiere.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>10 out of 35 candidates from 18,115 undergraduate students