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## Education

Stanford University

PH.D. OF COMPUTER SCIENCE

U.S.A

September 2018 - Now

Tsinghua University

BACHELOR OF SOFTWARE ENGINEERING

• GPA: 91/100

China

September 2014 - July 2018

## Research Interests

Robotics, Transfer Learning, Machine Learning, Deep Learning, Computer Vision

## Honors & Awards

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| 2015 | <b>National Scholarship (rank 1/64)</b> , Tsinghua University  | China               |
| 2015 | <b>Best Project Award (rank 1/56)</b> , Course of Architecture of Computer and Network   | China               |
| 2016 | <b>Qualcomm Scholarship</b> , Tsinghua University  | China               |
| 2018 | <b>Rank 3 in Visual Domain Adaptation Challenge (VisDA-2018)</b> , ECCV2018 Workshop Challenge ( <a href="http://ai.bu.edu/visda-2018">http://ai.bu.edu/visda-2018</a> ) | Munich, Germany     |
| 2019 | <b>Outstanding reviewers</b> , CVPR 2019   | Long Beach, CA, USA |

## Publications

1. **Zhangjie Cao\***, Erdem Biyik, Woodrow Z. Wang, Allan Raventos, Adrien Gaidon, Guy Rosman, Dorsa Sadigh. **Reinforcement Learning based Control of Imitative Policies for Near-Accident Driving.** *Robotics: Science and Systems (RSS)*, 2020.
2. Amir Zamir, Alexander Sax, Jitendra Malik, Nikhil Cheerla, Rohan Suri, **Zhangjie Cao**, Leonidas Guibas. **Robust Learning Through Cross-Task Consistency.** *Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR)*, 2020.
3. Kaidi Cao, Jingwei Ji\*, **Zhangjie Cao\***, Chien-Yi Chang, Juan Carlos Niebles. **Few-Shot Video Classification via Ordered Temporal Alignment.** *Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR)*, 2020.
4. Bingbin Liu, Ehsan Adeli, **Zhangjie Cao**, Kuan-Hui Lee, Abhijeet Shenoi, Adrien Gaidon, Juan Carlos Niebles. **Spatiotemporal Relationship Reasoning for Pedestrian Intent Prediction.** *International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA)*, 2020.
5. Yuxuan Song, Lantao Yu, **Zhangjie Cao**, Zhiming Zhou, Jian Shen, Shuo Shao, Weinan Zhang, Yong Yu. **Improving Unsupervised Domain Adaptation with Variational Information Bottleneck.** *European Conference on Artificial Intelligence (ECAI)*, 2020.
6. Boxiao Pan, **Zhangjie Cao\***, Ehsan Adeli, Juan Carlos Niebles. **Adversarial Cross-Domain Action Recognition with Co-Attention.** *AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence (AAAI)*, 2020.
7. Aditya Grover, Christopher Chute, Rui Shu, **Zhangjie Cao**, Stefano Ermon. **AlignFlow: Learning from Multiple Domains via Normalizing Flows.** *AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence (AAAI)*, 2020.
8. **Zhangjie Cao\***, Kaichao You\*, Mingsheng Long, Jianmin Wang, Qiang Yang. **Learning to Transfer Examples for Partial Domain Adaptation.** *Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR)*, 2019.

9. Hong Liu\*, **Zhangjie Cao\***, Mingsheng Long, Jianmin Wang, Qiang Yang. **Separate to Adapt: Open Set Domain Adaptation via Progressive Separation**. *Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR)*, 2019.
10. Kaichao You, Mingsheng Long, **Zhangjie Cao**, Jianmin Wang, Michael I. Jordan. **Universal Domain Adaptation**. *Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR)*, 2019.
11. Yang Shu, **Zhangjie Cao**, Mingsheng Long, Jianmin Wang. **Transferable Curriculum for Weakly-Supervised Domain Adaptation**. *AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence (AAAI)*, 2019.
12. Mingsheng Long, **Zhangjie Cao**, Jianmin Wang, Michael I. Jordan. **Conditional Adversarial Domain Adaptation**. *Neural Information Processing Systems (NIPS)* 2018.
13. **Zhangjie Cao**, Lijia Ma, Mingsheng Long, Jianmin Wang. **Partial Adversarial Domain Adaptation**. *European Conference on Computer Vision (ECCV)*, 2018.
14. Mingsheng Long, **Zhangjie Cao**, Jianmin Wang, Han Zhu, Michael I. Jordan. **Learning Transferable Visual Features with Very Deep Adaptation Networks**. *IEEE Transactions on Pattern Analysis and Machine Intelligence (TPAMI)*.
15. **Zhangjie Cao**, Mingsheng Long, Ziping Sun, Jianmin Wang. **Deep Priority Hashing**. *ACM Multimedia Conference (ACM MM)*, 2018.
16. **Zhangjie Cao**, Mingsheng Long, Jianmin Wang, Michael I. Jordan. **Partial Transfer Learning with Selective Adversarial Networks**. *Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR)*, 2018.
17. **Zhangjie Cao**, Mingsheng Long, Chao Huang, Jianmin Wang. **Transfer Adversarial Hashing for Hamming Space Retrieval**. *AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence (AAAI)*, 2018.
18. Zhongyi Pei<sup>†</sup>, **Zhangjie Cao<sup>†</sup>**, Mingsheng Long, Jianmin Wang. **Multi-Adversarial Domain Adaptation**. *AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence (AAAI)*, 2018. (<sup>†</sup>Equal Contribution)
19. Mingsheng Long, **Zhangjie Cao**, Jianmin Wang, Philip S. Yu. **Learning Multiple Tasks with Multilinear Relationship Networks**. *Neural Information Processing Systems (NIPS)*, 2017.
20. **Zhangjie Cao**, Mingsheng Long, Jianmin Wang, Philip S. Yu. **HashNet: Deep Learning to Hash by Continuation**. *International Conference on Computer Vision (ICCV)*, 2017.
21. **Zhangjie Cao**, Qixing Huang, Ramani Karthik. **3D Object Classification via Spherical Projections**. *International Conference on 3D Vision (3DV)*, 2017.
22. **Zhangjie Cao**, Mingsheng Long, Qiang Yang. **Transitive Hashing Network for Heterogeneous Multimedia Retrieval**. *AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence (AAAI)*, 2017. (Oral Presentation)

## Professional Experience

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### Reviewer for Conferences, Journals

Computer Vision: CVPR 2019-2020, ICCV 2019, ECCV 2020, BMVC 2020, WACV 2021, IJCV 2019

Machine Learning: ICML 2019, NeurIPS 2019-2020, ICLR 2020-2021

Artificial Intelligence: AAAI 2020-2021, IJCAI 2021

Robotics: CoRL 2020

## Work Experience

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### Waymo LLC (self-driving company)

U.S.A

Mentor: Yin Zhou

#### REALISTIC SCENE SIMULATION

June. 2019 - Sept. 2019

- Work as a research intern on a project for realistic simulation of full scene to address simulation difficulty on rarely existing corner cases and novel objects, which has huge impact on Waymo.
- Propose a novel generative model to refine the fake input scene and generate realistic scene with the same semantic as the input.
- Writing the main part of the paper for the work.

# Research Experience

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**Department of Computer Science, Stanford University**

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**Mentor: Dorsa Sadigh**

**PROJECT: HUMAN MODELING IN NEAR-ACCIDENT SCENARIOS**

*Sept. 2019 - Jan. 2019*

- Propose a method to model human driving behavior in near accident scenarios.
- Outperform imitation learning and hard-coded policies in aspects of comfort and safety.
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**Department of Computer Science, Stanford University**

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**Mentor: Amir R. Zamir**

**PROJECT: CROSS-TASK CONSISTENCY**

*May 2019 - June 2019*

- Proposed a flexible and fully computational framework for learning with consistency across an arbitrary dictionary of tasks.
- Proved that consistency constraints can improve the generalization power of the model to out-of-distribution data.
- The paper has been published in CVPR 2020.

**Department of Computer Science, Stanford University**

U.S.A

**Mentor: Stefano Ermon**

**PAPER: ALIGNFLOW: CYCLE CONSISTENT LEARNING FROM MULTIPLE DOMAINS VIA NORMALIZING FLOWS**

*Feb. 2019 - May 2019*

- Proposed to use normalizing flows in generative model, which is flexible in loss (Adversarial training or Maximum likelihood).
- AlignFlow guarantees exact cycle consistency in mapping datapoints from one domain to another.
- The paper has been published in AAAI 2020.

**Department of Computer Science, Stanford University**

U.S.A

**Mentor: Juan Carlos Nieves**

**PROJECT: LEARNING FOR VIDEOS**

*Oct. 2018 - Feb. 2019*

- Address intent prediction by modeling the relation between pedestrians and environment objects with spatiotemporal graph.
- The method achieved good results on real-world driving datasets and the paper has been published in ICRA 2020.
- Proposed cross-domain action recognition to recognize actions of an unlabeled domain with a labeled related domain.
- Designed a co-attention module and a temporal-aligned adaptation module for global action distribution matching.
- The method achieved significant performance and the paper has been published at AAAI 2020.

**Department of Computer Science, The University of Texas at Austin**

U.S.A

**Mentor: Qixing Huang**

**PAPER: 3D OBJECT CLASSIFICATION VIA SPHERICAL PROJECTIONS**

*Feb. 2017 - May. 2017*

- Proposed a spherical representation leveraging depth variation and contour information for 3D objects.
- Developed deep neural networks composing of two parts for depth and contour representation respectively to classify 3D objects.
- Implemented Spherical Projection in caffe framework and carefully designed experiments to compare our method with state of the art methods under standard evaluation criteria on large scale 3D Recognition Dataset.
- Wrote the first version of the paper under the supervision of my mentor.

**National Lab for Big Data Systems, School of Software, Tsinghua University**

China

**Mentor: Mingsheng Long**

**PROJECTS ON DOMAIN ADAPTATION**

*Sept. 2016 - June. 2018*

- Proposed a Multi-Adversarial Domain Adaptation to train multiple adversaries weighted by probability over classes.
- Proposed a new partial domain adaptation setting with source label space includes target and a selective adversarial network with multiple adversarial networks and both instance-level and class-level weights to address it.
- Further proposed a single adversarial network architecture to address partial domain adaptation

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*China*

**Mentor: Mingsheng Long**

**PROJECTS ON DEEP LEARNING TO HASH**

*Jan. 2016 - Nov. 2017*

- Proposed a new cross-modal retrieval scenario without explicit relationship and a Transitive Hashing Network to solve it.
- Proposed HashNet with binary output and enable optimization of sign activation function by continuation method.
- Proposed Transfer Adversarial Hashing the first model focusing on cross-domain retrieval within Hamming Radius 2.
- Proposed Deep Focal Hashing (DFH) with priority loss to address the class imbalance and easy-hard imbalance problems.

**Department of Computer Science and Lewis-Sigler Institute of Integrative**

*U.S.A*

**Genomics, Princeton University**

**Mentor: Olga Troyanskaya**

**PROJECT: DEEP LEARNING FOR NONCODING VARIANTS RECOGNITION**

*July. 2016 - August. 2016*

- Designed new architecture with multiple classifiers builded on each convolutional layers to exploit low level features and solved the gradient vanishing problem of the original network.
- Considering the relation of different chromatin features (labels), I improved the classifying layer with low rank technical.
- The new architecture outperformed existing methods under standard evaluation criteria such as AUC of PR Curve and ROC Curve.