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STATUS

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CURRENT

- Amazon.com Services LLC, Ring AI — Bellevue, WA 98004
  Applied Scientist (Vision Language Model) — 01/2026 - Current

INTERESTS

- Deep Learning, Computer Vision, and Multi-modality Models
- Artificial Intelligence Security, Robustness and Trustworthiness
- Linux Operating System Development and Administration

EXPERIENCE

- Google Research, Computational Imaging Team — Mountain View, CA 94043
  Student Researcher (Computer Vision) — 05/2024 - 10/2025
  Mentor: Hossein Talebi, Keren Ye, Mauricio Delbracio, Peyman Milanfar
- Microsoft Research, Applied Sciences Group — Redmond, WA 98052
  Research Intern (Deep Learning) — 05/2023 - 08/2023
  Mentor: Kazuhito Koishida, Saeed Amizadeh
- Wormpex AI Research LLC — Bellevue, WA 98004
  Research Intern (Computer Vision) — 05/2022 - 08/2022
  Mentor: Haoxiang Li, Yiding Yang, Gang Hua
- Xi'an Jiaotong University — Xi'an, Shaanxi 710049
  Institute of Artificial Intelligence and Robotics (IAIR)
  Research Assistant (Computer Vision) — 07/2020 - 06/2021
  Supervisor: Le Wang, Sanping Zhou

EDUCATION

- Johns Hopkins University — Baltimore, MD, USA 21218
  Dept. Electrical and Computer Engineering, Whiting School of Engineering
  Ph.D. Electrical and Electronics Engineering — 08/2021 - 12/2025
  Advisor: Vishal M. Patel
- Xidian University — Xi'an, Shaanxi, China 710071
  M.Eng. Pattern Recognition and Intelligent Systems. July, 2020 — 09/2017 - 06/2020
  Thesis: Coherent Visual-Semantic Embedding for Cross-Modal Retrieval
  Advisor: Zhenxing Niu
- Xidian University — Xi'an, Shaanxi, China 710126
  B.Eng. Electromagnetic Field and Wireless Technology. July, 2017 — 09/2013 - 07/2017
  Advisor: Zhenxing Niu

PUBLICATIONS

Google Scholar Profile: scholar.google.com/citations?user=BVIO95UAAAAJ
(Nov. 19 2025) Citations: 1801 H-Index: 11 i10-Index: 11
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JOURNAL ARTICLES: (1 TPAMI, 1 TMLR, 1 TMM)

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[PDF] [J03] Le Wang, Mo Zhou, Zhenxing Niu, Qilin Zhang, Nanning Zheng, *"Adaptive Ladder Loss for Learning Coherent Visual-Semantic Embedding,"* IEEE Transactions on Multimedia (TMM), 2021. DOI: 10.1109/TMM.2021.3139210

CONFERENCE PAPERS: (3 CVPR, 3 ICCV, 1 ECCV, 1 NeurIPS, 1 ICLR, 1 AAAI)

[C1] Mucong Ding, Bang An, Tahseen Rabbani, Chenghao Deng, Anirudh Satheesh, Souradip Chakraborty, Mehrdad Saberi, Yuxin Wen, Kyle Rui Sang, Aakriti Agrawal, Xuandong Zhao, Mo Zhou, Mary-Anne Hartley, Lei Li, Yu-Xiang Wang, Vishal M. Patel, Soheil Feizi, Tom Goldstein, Furong Huang, *"A Technical Report on "Erasing the Invisible": The 2024 NeurIPS Competition on Stress Testing Image Watermarks"* in NeurIPS 2025 Datasets and Benchmarks Track, 2025.

[PDF] [arXiv] [C2] Mo Zhou, Keren Ye, Mauricio Delbracio, Peyman Milanfar, Vishal M. Patel, Hossien Talebi, *"UniRes: Universal Image Restoration for Complex Degradations,"* in Proc. IEEE International Conf. on Computer Vision (ICCV), 2025.

[PDF] [arXiv] [C3] Kangfu Mei, Mo Zhou, Vishal M. Patel, *"Field-DiT: Diffusion Transformer on Unified Video, 3D, and Game Field Generation,"* in Proc. International Conference on Learning Representations (ICLR), 2025.

[PDF] [arXiv] [Github] [C4] Mo Zhou, Vishal M. Patel, *"On Trace of PGD-Like Adversarial Attacks,"* in Proc. International Conference on Pattern Recognition (ICPR), 2024.

[PDF] [Github] [C5] Yiqun Mei, Pengfei Guo, Mo Zhou, Vishal M. Patel, *"Resource-Adaptive Federated Learning with All-In-One Neural Composition,"* Advances in Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS), 2022.

[PDF] [arXiv] [Github] [C6] Mo Zhou, Vishal M. Patel, *"Enhancing Adversarial Robustness for Deep Metric Learning,"* in Proc. IEEE Conf. on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR), 2022.

[PDF] [arXiv] [Github] [C7] Mo Zhou, Le Wang, Zhenxing Niu, Qilin Zhang, Yinghui Xu, Nanning Zheng, Gang Hua, *"Practical Order Attack in Deep Ranking,"* in Proc. IEEE International Conf. on Computer Vision (ICCV), 2021.

[PDF] [arXiv] [Github] [C8] Liushuai Shi, Le Wang, Chengjiang Long, Sanping Zhou, Mo Zhou, Zhenxing Niu, Gang Hua, *"SGCN: Sparse Graph Convolution for Pedestrian Trajectory Prediction",* In Proc. IEEE Conf. on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR), 2021.

[PDF] [arXiv] [Github] [C9] Mo Zhou, Zhenxing Niu, Le Wang, Qilin Zhang, Gang Hua, *"Adversarial Ranking Attack and Defense,"* in Proc. European Conf. on Computer Vision (ECCV), 2020.

[PDF] [arXiv] [Github] [C10] Mo Zhou, Zhenxing Niu, Le Wang, Zhanning Gao, Qilin Zhang, Gang Hua, *"Ladder Loss for Coherent Visual-Semantic Embedding,"* in Proc. AAAI Conf. on Artificial Intelligence (AAAI), 2020.

[PDF] [C11] Zhenxing Niu, Mo Zhou, Le Wang, Xinbo Gao, Gang Hua, *"Hierarchical Multimodal LSTM for Dense Visual-Semantic Embedding,"* in Proc. IEEE International Conf. on Computer Vision (ICCV), 2017.

[PDF] [Dataset] [C12] Zhenxing Niu, Mo Zhou, Le Wang, Xinbo Gao, Gang Hua. *"Ordinal Regression with Multiple Output CNN for Age Estimation,"* in Proc. IEEE Conf. on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR), 2016.

PREPRINT / UNDER-REVIEW PAPERS:

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tion," 2025, Under Review.

[arXiv] [Github] [X02] Yu Zeng*, Mo Zhou*, Yuan Xue, Vishal M. Patel, *"Securing Deep Generative Models with Universal Adversarial Signature,"*, 2023, Under Review.

[arXiv] [X03] Mo Zhou, Yiding Yang, Haoxiang Li, Vishal M. Patel, Gang Hua, *"Deployment Prior Injection for Run-time Calibratable Object Detection,"* 2022, Under Review.

PATENTS

[P01] Le Wang, Mo Zhou, Sanping Zhou, Shitao Chen, Jingmin Xin, Nanning Zheng, "A Practical Relative Order Adversarial Attack Method". Chinese Patent No. 202110998691.9.

[P02] Zhenxing Niu, Wei Xue, Mo Zhou, Bo Yuan, Xinbo Gao, Gang Hua, "Age estimation method based on multi-output convolution neural network and ordered regression". Chinese Patent No. 201610273524.7.

ACTIVITIES

- Reviewer of International Conferences
  - IEEE Conf. on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR) 2020 – 2025
  - Annual Conf. on Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS) 2022 – 2025
  - International Conf. on Computer Vision (ICCV) 2021 – 2025
  - European Conf. on Computer Vision (ECCV) 2020 – 2024
  - International Conf. Learning Representations (ICLR) 2022 – 2025
  - International Conf. of Machine Learning (ICML) 2023 – 2024
  - Others, incl.: AAAI, WACV, ACCV, ICPR, etc. 2021 – 2025
- Reviewer of International Journals
  - IEEE Trans. on Pattern Analysis and Machine Intelligence (TPAMI) 2021 – 2023
  - Springer Journal: International Journal of Computer Vision (IJCV) 2023 – 2025
  - IEEE Trans. on Dependable and Secure Computing (TDSC) 2022
  - Others, incl.: TNNLS, TMM, NeuNet, NeuComp, MVA, CAIS, etc. 2021 – 2024
- Organizer of International Workshop and Competition
  - [Website] Erasing the Invisible: A Stress-Test Challenge for Image Watermarks NeurIPS 2024
  - [Website] 4th Workshop of Adversarial Machine Learning on Computer Vision CVPR 2024
  - [Website] 4th Workshop on Adversarial Robustness In the Real World ICCV 2023
- Volunteer in Free and Open-Source Software Communities
  - Official Developer for Debian GNU/Linux 08/2018 – Current
  - Contributor for Gentoo GNU/Linux 06/2019 – 08/2019
  - Google Summer of Code (GSoC) as Mentor w/ Debian Project 2025
    Project: *Packaging LLM Inference Libraries* (Student: Kohei Sendai)
  - Open Source Promotion Plan (OSPP) w/ Tsinghua University TUNA Association 2020
    Project: *Integrating Data Science Software into Debian* (Best Quality Award)
  - Google Summer of Code (GSoC) as Student w/ Debian Project 2020
    Project: *BLAS/LAPACK Ecosystem Enhancement for Debian*
  - Google Summer of Code (GSoC) as Student w/ Gentoo Foundation 2019
    Project: *BLAS and LAPACK Runtime Switching*

TEACHING

- Deep Learning (`EN.520.638.01.SP25`), Johns Hopkins University Spring 2025
  Teaching Assistant for Prof. Vishal M. Patel

HONORS

- Outstanding Reviewer for CVPR 2024 2024
- Outstanding Reviewer for ICCV 2021 2021
- Xidian University Secondary School Scholarship.+ 2017-2018

- Interdisciplinary Contest in Modeling (ICM) 2016
  Meritorious Winner. Advisor: Youlong Yang (Xidian University)

AFFLIATION

- Student Member, IEEE Aug 2021 – Dec 2025

REFERENCES

AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST.