Chih-Hui (John) Ho

Education

Sep. 2019 - University of California San Diego, La Jolla, CA.

Now PhD candidate in Electrical Computer Engineering Advisor: Prof. Nuno Vasconcelos

Sep. 2017 - University of California San Diego, La Jolla, CA.

Jun. 2019 M.S. in Computer Science, GPA: 3.87/4.0

Jan. 2016 - University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Champaign, IL.

May 2016 Exchange student in Computer Science, GPA: 3.71/4.0

Sep. 2012 - National Chiao Tung University, Hsinchu, Taiwan.

Jun. 2016 B.S. in EECS Honor Program, GPA: 4.15/4.3

Research Interest

Computer Vision: Multiview object recognition, Visual language, 3D understanding

Deep Learning: Large language/foundational model (LLM), Self-supervised learning, Metric learning, Adversarial robustness

Publication

- 2023 **Chih-Hui Ho***, Tz-Ying Wu*, Nuno Vasconcelos, "ProTeCt: Prompt Tuning for Hierarchical Consistency", Under Review, 2023, [*Preprint*]
- 2023 **Chih-Hui Ho***, Yuwei Zhang*, Nuno Vasconcelos, "Toward Unsupervised Realistic Visual Question Answering", Under Review, 2023, [*Preprint*]
- 2023 Simeng Zheng, **Chih-Hui Ho**, Paul H Siegel, "Modeling Flash Memory Channels Using Conditional Generative Nets", Design Automation and Test in Europe, 2023, [ArXiv]
- 2023 **Chih-Hui Ho**, Ziheng Huang, NaYeon Kim, YouSuk Bae, Nuno Vasconcelos, "Tire Defect Detection with Limited Annotation", Electronic Imaging (EI), Intelligent Robotics and Industrial Applications using Computer Vision, **Oral**, 2023.
- 2022 **Chih-Hui Ho**, Nuno Vasconcelos, "DISCO: Adversarial Defense with Local Implicit Functions", In *Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS)*, 2022 *[Paper]*
- 2022 Chih-Hui Ho, Srikar Appalaraju, Bhavan Jasani, R. Manmatha, Nuno Vasconcelos, "YORO Lightweight End to End Visual Grounding", In European Conference On Computer Vision Workshop (ECCVW), 2022 [Paper] [Blog]
- 2022 Brandon Leung, **Chih-Hui Ho**, Nuno Vasconcelos, "Black-Box Test-Time Shape REFINEment for Single View 3D Reconstruction", In *IEEE Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition Workshop (CVPRW)*, 2022 [ArXiv]
- 2020 **Chih-Hui Ho**, Nuno Vasconcelos, "Contrastive Learning with Adversarial Examples", In *Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS)*, 2020
- 2020 Tz-Ying Wu, Pedro Morgado, Pei Wang, Chih-Hui Ho, Nuno Vasconcelos, "Solving Long-tailed Recognition with Deep Realistic Taxonomic Classifier", In European Conference on Computer Vision (ECCV), 2020
- 2020 Chih-Hui Ho, Bo Liu, Tz-Ying Wu, Nuno Vasconcelos, "Exploit Clues from Views: Self-Supervised and Regularized Learning for Multiview Object Recognition", In *IEEE Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR)*, 2020

- 2020 Jen-Hui Chuang, Chih-Hui Ho, Ardian Umam, HsinYi Chen, Mu-Tien Lu, Jenq-Neng Hwang, Tai-An Chen, "Geometry-Based Camera Calibration Using Closed-Form Solution of Principal Line", IEEE Transaction on Image Processing (TIP) 2020. [Paper] [ArXiv]
- 2019 **Chih-Hui Ho**, Pedro Morgado, Amir Persekian, Nuno Vasconcelos, "PIEs: Pose Invariant Embeddings", In *IEEE Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR)*, 2019
- 2019 Chih-Hui Ho*, Brandon Leung*, Erik Sandstrom, Yen Chang, Nuno Vasconcelos, "Catastrophic Child's Play: Easy to Perform, Hard to Defend Adversarial Attacks", In *IEEE Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR)*, 2019
- 2019 Brandon Leung, **Chih-Hui Ho**, Amir Persekian, David Orozco, Yen Chang, Erik Sandstrom, Bo Liu, Nuno Vasconcelos, "OOWL500: Overcoming Dataset Collection Bias in the Wild", [ArXiv]
- 2018 Yu-Shiuan Tsai, Yi-Yu Hsieh, **Chih-Hui Ho**, Ya-Ching Chang, Yao-Yuan Chang, Heng-Jyun Lin, Han-Yang, Wang; Yu-Chen Chou, Jen-Hui Chuang, "Rule-Based Optical Character Recognition for Serial Number on Renminbi Banknote", In *IS&T Electronic Imaging 2018 (EI)* (**oral** presentation)

Professional Experience

- Jan. 2018 Graduate Student Researcher, Statistical Visual Computing Lab, UCSD.
 - Now Working on multiview recognition, 3D vision, self-supervised learning, structured embedding
- Jun. 2023 Mitsubishi Electric Research Lab (MERL) Research Intern.
- Sept. 2023 Conducted research on industrial anomaly detection
- Jun. 2021 Amazon AWS Applied Scientist Intern.
- Sept. 2021 Developed a visual grounding transformer model with 1.3x smaller size and 3x faster speed
- Sep. 2017 Research Volunteer, San Diego Supercomputer Center.
- Dec. 2017 Reduced error of large scale operational facility data (200 GB) in scientific workflow by 23%
- Nov. 2016 Research Assistant, NCTU Computer Vision Research Center.
 - Jun. 2017 o Developed deep learning model for human activity analysis in aerial images
 - \circ Designed bill serial number recognition system with more than 99 % accuracy
 - o Developed camera calibration algorithm and implemented the algorithm into prototype
 - o Developed algorithm for automated optical inspection (AOI) for bobbin defects
- Jan. Dec. Software Engineer Internship, Industrial Technology Research Institute.
 - 2015 O Developed a prototype to calibrate robotic arm with an industrial camera
 - $\circ\,$ Represented ITRI to attend 2015 Taiwan Automation Intelligence and Robot Show
 - o Received Mechanical and Systems Research Lab Prospective Project Excellence Award
- Jul. Aug. Research Internship, Cornell University Advanced Multimedia Lab.
 - 2014 Design algorithm to generate image collage based on emotional ROIs

Academic Services

Reviewer NeurIPS, CVPR(**Outstanding Reviewer** for 2021), ECCV, ICCV, TPAMI, ICML (**Outstanding Reviewer** for 2022), ICLR, ACCV, WACV, CVPR Learning with Limited Labelled Data for Image and Video Understanding Workshop, ECCV Imbalance Problems in Computer Vision Workshop, ICIP

Volunteer CVPR 2020 Area Chair Meeting, San Diego

Teaching Experience

UCSD ECE 175A Elements of Machine Intelligence [Discussion Lead](Recording), ECE 271A Statistical Learning I, ECE 271B Statistical Learning II, ECE 271C Deep Learning and Applications

Selected Projects

- Jan. 2021 **Defect Detection**, Pytorch.
 - Now o Collaborating with Korea Polytechnic University to detect tire and pcb defects
 - o 1 paper published in El conference about defect detection with self-supervised learning techniques

- Jan. Mar. 2018 Kaggle data science bowl, Keras.
 - 2018 o Implemented image segmentation deep learning models for medical images
 - o Ranked top 18% in the competition
- Nov. 2016 Deep learning based human activity analysis for aerial images, C.
 - Jun. 2017 o Trained convolutional neural network to detect human with more than 91%
 - o Analyzed human behavior with principle component analysis and vanishing point
- Nov. 2016 Assignment design for UIUC CS543 computer vision course, Matlab.
 - Jun. 2017 o Implemented example code and designed example architecture to train Cifar 100
 - o Wrote deep learning tutorials and assignment walkthrough instructions on Kaggle
 - Jul. Dec. Human tracking mobile robots with Kinect, C++.
 - 2013 o Identified user patterns with SIFT and GMM background subtraction algorithms
 - o Integrated depth sensor information, target user features and mobile robot control

Skills

Languages Python, C/C++ , MATLAB, C#

Library Pytorch, Tensorflow, Numpy, Pandas, Matplotlib, MatConvNet, OpenCV, Docker, Keras, Kubernetes, LATEX

Leadership

2018-Now Summer Research Internship Program, UCSD.

- o Mentored students in the Spring/Summer Research Intern Program (SRIP) in computer vision research.
- **2018-2020** Collected a large-scale dataset, Objects Obtained With fLight (OOWL), with a drone. Published 3 papers using the collected dataset. [Webpage]
- o 2021 Collected a large-scale self-driving dataset with the explanation of the driving action. [Webpage]
- 2022 Collected a large-scale visual language dataset that contains unanswerable questions. One paper is under submission.
- 2019-2020 **GEAR Research Mentor, UCSD**.
 - Mentored students in Guided Engineering Apprenticeship in Research (GEAR) program in computer vision research.
- 2018-2019 ENLACE bi-national summer research program, UCSD.
 - Mentored students in ENLACE, a high school outreach program promoting diversity in research, especially in Hispanic communities.
- 2013-2014 President of Student Association of EECS Department, NCTU.
 - o Organize student events and invite speakers from the industry for tech talk

Award

- Nov 2022 NeurIPS 2022 Scholar Award
- June 2022 Amazon Post-Internship Fellowship
- May 2021 2021 Qualcomm Innovation Fellowship Finalist [link]
- Spring 2019 UCSD graduate student association travel grant award
- Jan. 2016 Full Scholarship as exchange student at UIUC

May 2016

- Jul. Aug. Full Scholarship for an internship in Cornell University 2014
- Sep. 2012 National Chiao Tung University scholarship
- Jun. 2016

Exchange Experience

Jan. - Jun. Exchange student at University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

2016

Jul. - Aug. Short term internship in Advanced Multimedia Lab in Cornell University 2014

Language

Mandarin, English