Cheng Zhang

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Research

Machine learning and its applications to computer vision, mobile sensing, and healthcare.

Education

• The Ohio State University, Ohio, United States

Ph.D. in Computer Science and Engineering, Advisors: Wei-Lun Chao and Dong Xuan

Jan. 2017 - present

• Beijing University of Posts and Telecommunications (BUPT), Beijing, China

M.S. in Computer Science, Rank: 2/391

Mar. 2016

• Tianjin University, Tianjin, China

B.S in Computer Software, Rank: 13/151

Jun. 2013

Professional Experience

• Research/Teaching Associate, The Ohio State University

Jan. 2017 - present

- Learning with limited data: conditioned imbalanced learning
- Vision and language: robust visual question answering
- Mobile sensing: multi-sensor system over new wireless (e.g., vision, light, and sound)
- Research Intern, FX Palo Alto Laboratory, Palo Alto, CA, USA Mentors: Francine Chen and Yan-Ying Chen

May 2019 - Aug. 2019

- Healthcare: weakly-supervised disease identification and localization in Chest-Xray images
- Research Intern, DeepCode Robotics, Shanghai, China

May 2018 - Aug. 2018

Mentors: Fan Yang and Qiang Zhai

- Perception and control algorithms for sports analysis and robot planning
- Research Assistant, Center of Internet of Things, BUPT Advisor: Huadong Ma

Sept. 2013 - Mar. 2016

- Gait recognition and human identification for video surveillance
- Image-based air quality measurement
- Algorithm Engineer Intern, Alibaba Vision Lab (currently DAMO Academy) Jul. 2015 Sept. 2015 Mentors: Xian-Sheng Hua and Pan Pan
- Visual search: large-scale image categorization for Pailitao the visual search service on Mobile Taobao
- Research Assistant, Visual Intelligence Lab, Tianjin Univ.

Sept. 2011 - Jun. 2013

Advisor: Wei Feng

- Superpixel gridization for fast object localization and segmentation

Publications

Conference Proceedings

- C4 [BMVC'19] Cheng Zhang, Wei-Lun Chao, Dong Xuan, An Empirical Study on Leveraging Scene Graphs for Visual Question Answering, in Proceedings of British Machine Vision Conference (Oral), Cardiff, UK, Sept 2019.
- C3 [INFOCOM'18] Cheng Zhang, Fan Yang, Gang Li, Qiang Zhai, Yi Jiang, Dong Xuan, MV-Sports: A

- Motion and Vision Sensor Integration-Based Sports Analysis System, in *Proceedings of IEEE International Conference on Computer Communications*, Honolulu, HI, USA, Apr 2018.
- C2 [IMWUT/Ubicomp'18] Liang Liu, Wu Liu, Yu Zheng, Huadong Ma, Cheng Zhang, Third-Eye: A Mobilephone-Enabled Crowdsensing System for Air Quality Monitoring, in *Proceedings of ACM International Joint Conference on Pervasive and Ubiquitous Computing*, Singapore, Oct 2018.
- C1 [ICASSP'16] Cheng Zhang, Wu Liu, Huadong Ma, Huiyuan Fu, Siamese Neural Network based Gait Recognition for Human Identification, in *Proceedings of IEEE International Conference on Acoustics, Speech and Signal Processing*, Shanghai, China, Mar 2016.

Journal Articles

- J3 [NI'18] Wu Liu, Cheng Zhang, Huadong Ma, Shuangqun Li, Learning Efficient Spatial-Temporal Gait Features with Deep Learning for Human Identification, *Neuroinformatics*, 2018, 16(3-4): 457-471.
- J2 [NC'16] Zheng Zhang, Huadong Ma, Huiyuan Fu, Cheng Zhang, Scene-free Multi-class Weather Classification on Single Images, *Neurocomputing*, 2016, 207: 365-373.
- J1 [MIS'16] Zheng Zhang, Huadong Ma, Huiyuan Fu, Liang Liu, Cheng Zhang, Outdoor Air Quality Level Inference via Surveillance Cameras, Mobile Information Systems, 2016.

Patents

- P3 **Cheng Zhang**, Francine Chen, Yan-Ying Chen, System and Method for Multi-Label Diseases Identification and Localization Using Cyclical Training, *US Patent*, pending.
- P2 Huadong Ma, Wu Liu, Huiyuan Fu, **Cheng Zhang**, Method and Device for Gait Recognition, US Patent, 9633268.
- P1 Wei Feng, Liang Wan, Jiawan Zhang, Liang Li, **Cheng Zhang**, Maximum Cohesive Superpixel Grid for Fast Object Localization and Segmentation, CN103489185A.

Thesis

- MS **Cheng Zhang**, Research on Key Techniques of Gait Recognition based on Deep Learning, Beijing University of Posts and Telecommunications (Best thesis award), 2016.
- BS **Cheng Zhang**, Minimum Topological Discrepancy Grid of Superpixels for Fast Object Localization, Tianjin University (Best thesis award), 2013.

Professional Activities

Journal Reviewer

- ACM Transactions on Sensor Networks (ToSN)
- PACM on Interactive, Mobile, Wearable and Ubiquitous Technologies (IMWUT)
- Machine Vision and Applications (MVA), Springer
- Multimedia Tools and Applications (MTAP), Springer

Conference Reviewer

- ACM Multimedia 2019
- ACM Multimedia Asia 2019
- IEEE International Conference on Computer Communications (INFOCOM) 2019
- IEEE International Conference on Multimedia and Expo (ICME) 2019
- IEEE International Conference on Image Processing (ICIP) 2017, 2018, 2019
- IEEE Global Conference on Signal and Information Processing (GlobalSIP) 2017, 2018

Teaching Experience

Ph.D. at OSU

- CSE 1222 Programming in C++, Lecturer (80 students)

Spring and Fall 2019

- CSE 4471 Information Security, Teaching Assistant (40 students)

Fall 2018

- CSE 5432 Mobile Handset Systems and Networking, Teaching Assistant (25 students)

Fall 2018

M.S. at BUPT

- Computer Graphics, Teaching Assistant (40 students)

Fall 2015

Skills

Languages and Technologies: C/C++, Python, Matlab, Scala, Shell, CUDA, JavaScript, SQL, etc.

Tools and Libraries: OpenCV, Tensorflow, PyTorch, Caffe/Caffe2, Darknet, etc.

Honors & Awards

Ph.D. at OSU

- Student Travel Grant for IEEE INFOCOM 2018

M.S. at BUPT

- Best Master's Thesis 2016
- Student Travel Grant for IEEE ICASSP 2016
- Excellent Graduate, Beijing City 2016
- National Scholarship, Ministry of Education, China 2015
- VMware Excellent Scholarship 2014

B.S. at Tianjin Univ.

- Best Undergraduate Thesis 2013
- Excellent Graduate 2013
- Hitachi Scholarship 2012
- Golden Award for the 8th Challenge Cup Innovation Competition, China 2012
- Weichai Power Scholarship (twice) 2010 2011