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EDUCATION

Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Ph.D. in Electrical Engineering and Computer Science

Boston College

B.S. in Computer Science, B.S. in Mathematics | GPA: 3.98/4.00

Cambridge, MA Sep 2025 - Present Chestnut Hill, MA Aug 2021 - May 2025

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Boston College Computer Vision Lab

Research Assistant (advised by Prof. Donglai Wei)

Chestnut Hill, MA Sep 2021 - Aug 2025

- Ongoing: Clustered vesicles in Hydra vulgaris samples using PyroVED translation/rotation equivariant autoencoders, characterizing neurons using spatial distribution of vesicles. Part of larger work to build a toolbox for vesicle analysis for electron microscopy. In collaboration with Shulin Zhang from Prof. Rafael Yuste's lab at Columbia University [A] [B]
- Adapted **cell tracking models** (3DeeCellTracker and Ultrack) to extract **whole-brain neural dynamics** from **calcium** imaging of 118 NeuroPAL-strain roundworms across 5 labs. Work done in collaboration with Daniel Sprague from the UCSF Foundations of Cognition Lab, Prof. Erdem Varol at the NYU Neuroinformatics Lab, and Prof. Eviatar Yemini at UMass Chan Medical School [C]
- Benchmarked PointNet++, RandLA-Net, and PointTransformer point-cloud segmentation architectures on our dataset of 4,476 spines sourced from electron microscopy of 70 dendrites, demonstrating zero-shot cross-species generalization of our proposed Frenet-Serret equivariant geometric transform on the mouse visual cortex (94.1% Dice) and human frontal lobe (81.8% Dice). Also wrote extensive pipelines for morphology processing and mesh visualization. Part of a project to improve **segmentation on tree-like structures**; locating synapses in neurons and aneurysms in blood vessels. Collaborated with Shixuan Gu at the Harvard Visual Computing Group [D]
- Analyzed blood vessel morphologies in mouse, human, and macaque cortical samples using Kimimaro centerline extraction. Evaluated the performance of the U-Net3D baseline model on the largest electron microscopy blood vessel dataset to date. Part of a project to develop a zero-shot 3D segmentation method using Segment Anything Model. In collaboration with Prof. Jia Wan from Harbin Institute of Technology, China, the Harvard Visual Computing Group, and the Harvard Lichtman Lab [E]
- Finetuned Cellpose, a **foundation model for cell segmentation**, to automatically detect ∼5 million neuronal vesicles in 20 volumes. Work done with Dr. Xiaomeng Han from Prof. Jeff Lichtman's lab at Harvard to develop a novel microscopy technique incorporating fluorescent markers to facilitate identification of cell types and functions. [F]

EPFL CVLab Lausanne, Switzerland May 2023 - Aug 2023

Research Intern (advised by Dr. Jiancheng Yang and Prof. Pascal Fua)

- Orchestrated pipelines integrating the STU-Net medical image segmentation foundation model with our geometricallyconstrained neural implicit fields to generate anatomically accurate heart structures from our aggregated dataset of 140 MRI scans. Contributed to the Heart Augmented Reality Training System, in collaboration with Swiss medical imaging company ADIS and the Cardiology Division of Lausanne University Hospital [G]
- Evaluated voxel/point-cloud segmentation models (PointNet/PointNet++, DGCNN, PointCNN, nnU-Net) and centerline extraction techniques (Kimimaro, L1-Medial Skeletonization) on our proposed dataset of 660 CT scans and 15,466 individually annotated ribs. Implemented a Docker compatability wrapper for the L1-Medial Skeletonization codebase from 2016. Ongoing work to incorporate the mesh representations of ribcages into the MedShapeNet2.0 dataset. In collaboration with radiologists at Huadong Hospital, China and Shixuan Gu at Harvard Visual Computing Group [H]

Emmerich Research Center

Jakarta, Indonesia Aug 2018 - Aug 2021

Research Intern (advised by Dr. Eden Steven)

- Studied the temperature-dependent excitation curves of SrAl₂O₄:Eu²⁺, Dy³⁺ glow-in-the-dark crystals. Built vacuumsealed optical probes operating at cryogenic temperatures. In collaboration with Dr. Muhandis Shiddiq from Indonesia's National Research and Innovation Agency and Prof. Henri Uranus from Universitas Pelita Harapan [I]
- Developed an **OpenCV-based contamination detection system** featuring perspective normalization, shadow removal, and blob detection, to control a CNC-sprayer for disinfection of fungal cultures. Delivered a proof-of-concept robot for MycoWorks, a California-based startup producing plant-based synthetic leather [J]

- [A] Jason K. Adhinarta*, Yutian Fan*, Michael Lin*, Richard Ren*, Micaela Roth*, Ayal Yakobe*, Shulin Zhang*, Rafael Yuste, Donglai Wei. VesicleEM: A Comprehensive Vesicle Analysis Toolbox for Volumetric Electron Microscopy. Manuscript in preparation; planned submission to PLOS Computational Biology.
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- [C] Jason K. Adhinarta*, Jizheng Dong*, Tianxiao He*, Junxiang Huang*, Daniel Sprague*, Jia Wan, Hyun Jee Lee, Zikai Yu, Hang Lu, Eviatar Yemini, Saul Kato, Erdem Varol, Donglai Wei. WormID-Benchmark: Extracting Whole-Brain Neural Dynamics of C. elegans at the Neuron Resolution. bioRxiv:10.1101/2025.01.06.631621v3
- [D] Shixuan Gu, Jason K. Adhinarta, Mikhail Bessmeltsey, Jiancheng Yang, Jessica Zhang, Wenjie Yin, Daniel Berger, Jeff W. Lichtman, Hanspeter Pfister, Donglai Wei. Frenet-Serret Frame-based Decomposition for Part Segmentation of 3D Curvilinear Structures, arXiv:2404.14435
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- [F] Xiaomeng Han, Xiaotang Lu, Peter H. Li, Shuohong Wang, Richard Schalek, Yaron Meirovitch, Zudi Lin, Jason K. Adhinarta, Daniel Berger, Yuelong Wu, Tao Fang, Elif S. Meral, Shadnan Asraf, Hidde Ploegh, Hanspeter Pfister, Donglai Wei, Viren Jain, James S. Trimmer, Jeff W. Lichtman. Multiplexed Volumetric CLEM enabled by antibody derivatives provides new insights into the cytology of the mouse cerebellar cortex. Nature Communications 2024. doi:10.1038/s41467-024-50411-z PMID:39103318
- [G] Jiancheng Yang, Ekaterina Sedykh, Jason K. Adhinarta, Hieu Le, Pascal Fua. Generating Anatomically Accurate Heart Structures via Neural Implicit Fields. Medical Image Computing and Computer-Assisted Intervention 2024. doi:10.1007/978-3-031-72378-0 25
- [H] Liang Jin, Shixuan Gu, Donglai Wei, Jason K. Adhinarta, Kaiming Kuang, Yongjie J. Zhang, Hanspeter Pfister, Bingbing Ni, Jiancheng Yang, Ming Li. RibSeg v2: A Large-scale Benchmark for Rib Labeling and Anatomical Centerline Extraction. IEEE Transactions on Medical Imaging 2023. doi:10.1109/TMI.2023.3313627 PMID:37695967
- [I] Jason K. Adhinarta, Eric Jobiliong, Muhandis Shiddiq, Henri P. Uranus and Eden Steven. Light storage and thermal-assisted switching of SrAl₂O₄:Eu²⁺, Dy³⁺. Journal of Nonlinear Optical Physics & Materials 2019. doi:10.1142/S0218863519500425

PATENTS

[J] Eden Steven, Ray A. O. Sinurat, Alvius Tinambunan, Edmund F. Anderson, Calvin, Andrew D. Widjaja, Josavan Ezekhiel, Jason K. Adhinarta. A Robotic Method of Monitoring, Hydrating, Training, and Treating Bacterial or Fungal Infections of New-growth Fungal Cultures to Produce Densified Sheet-like Lateral Networks of Fungal Materials. PDKI:P00202009416. Patent pending, submitted to Indonesian patent registry in 2020

TEACHING ASSISTANTSHIP

CSCI 3397: Biomedical Image Analysis, Boston College	Spring 2024
MATH 4480: Math and Machine Learning, Boston College	Spring 2023
Awards	
David and Randi Fett Fellowship, MIT	Fall 2025
Honorable Mention, NSF Graduate Research Fellowship Program	Spring 2025
Matthew Copithorne Scholarship, Boston College	Spring 2025
John J. Neuhauser Award, Boston College	Spring 2025
Order of the Cross and Crown, Boston College	Spring 2025
Junior Inductee, Phi Beta Kappa	Spring 2024
Gabelli Presidential Scholarship, Boston College	Fall 2021
Best Poster Presentation, 12 th International Symposium on Modern Optics and its Applications	Summer 2019