REN LI

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EDUCATION

Purdue University

August 2016 - May 2019

MS in Electrical and Computer Engineering

Overall GPA: 3.94/4.0

Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering

University of Science and Technology of China (USTC)

August 2012 - June 2016 Overall GPA: 4.02/4.3

Bachelor of Electrical Engineering

Overall GPA: 4.02/4.3 Rank: 1/106

Department of Electrical Engineering and Information Science

TECHNICAL STRENGTHS

Computer Languages

Software & Tools

Python, C/C++

PyTorch, TensorFlow, MATLAB

EXPERIENCE

United Imaging Intelligence, Research Intern

September 2019 - Present

Project: Human Mesh Recovery

- · Propose a depth-aware human mesh recovery focusing on resolving pose ambiguities.
- · Design novel techniques, such as dynamic fusion, universal SMPL constraint generator and depth ranking consistency, to provide valid supervisory signals for training with limited datasets and annotations.

SenseTime, Research Intern/Technical Advisor

May 2019 - Present

Project: Face Swap

- · Re-implemented the models of Deepfacelab by PyTorch, and trained the models with additional losses, such as perceptual loss and L1 pixel loss, to improve the quality of the generated faces.
- · Used triangulation and facial color tuning to merged the fake target faces, driven by the given video, back to the original target, which helps the fake videos look more realistic and stable.

Purdue University, Research Assistant

January 2018 - May 2019

Project: EEG-Based Visual Classification

- · Recorded EEG signals of subjects who were watching images/videos.
- · Analyzed EEG signals by different models, including CNN, LSTM, MLP, SVM and K-NN, to do the image/video classification for the understanding of human perception.
- · Refuted some works in this filed which achieved high accuracy via wrong experimental settings.
- · Visualized the spatial, temporal and spatio-temporal activation maps of the human brain by novel methods.

Purdue University, Research Assistant

October 2018 - November 2018

Project: Visual Relationship Detection Based Video Retrieval

- · Generated object proposals by Faster R-CNN and tracked them to produce object tubes.
- · Built a CNN model to infer the visual relationship between two objects within a video frame from their corresponding visual features.
- · Assembled the frame-level visual relationship to get the video-level tags, which can be used for video retrieval.

Project: Deep Intermodal Video Analytics (DIVA-IARPA)

- · Responsible for the implementation of metrics.
- · Through the comparison between the results of my implementation and the official scorer, pointed out the bugs existing in the scorer and assisted NIST to fix them.
- · Corrected the ill-defined metrics in the released documents.

Gottfried Wilhelm Leibniz Universitt Hannover (LUH), Research Assistant January 2016 - May 2016

Project: Contact-Free Camera Measurements of Heart Rate

- · Extracted the color traces of RGB channels within the face region by face detection and tracking algorithms.
- · Derived the heart rate from the green channel by filtering and frequency analysis.
- · Achieved a more robust and accurate performance on heart-rate estimation than other state-of-the-art benchmarks.

USTC, Research Assistant

June 2014 - December 2014

Project: Synthesis Distortion Estimation in 3D Video

- · Analyzed the virtual view synthesis distortion induced by depth error for 3D video coding.
- · Refine the distortion estimation model based on statistical information.
- · Discussed experiment results: how the number and the position of synthesized views influence empirical synthesis distortion.

PUBLICATIONS

Ren Li*, Fan Yang*, Srikrishna Karanam*, Wei Hu, Terrence Chen, Ziyan Wu, "Towards Contactless Patient Positioning", Transactions on Medical Imaging (TMI), 2020.

Georgios Georgakis*, Ren Li*, Srikrishna Karanam, Terrence Chen, Jana Kosecka, Ziyan Wu, "Hierarchical Kinematic Human Mesh Recovery", submitted to ECCV, 2020.

Fan Yang*, Ren Li*, Srikrishna Karanam, Terrence Chen, Ziyan Wu, "Robust Multi-modal 3D Patient Body Modeling", submitted to MICCAI, 2020.

Ren Li, Changjiang Cai, Georgios Georgakis, Srikrishna Karanam, Terrence Chen, and Ziyan Wu, "Towards Robust RGB-D Human Mesh Recovery", Technical Report, 2020.

Liming Jiang, Ren Li, Wayne Wu, Chen Qian, and Chen Change Loy, "DeeperForensics-1.0: A Large-Scale Dataset for Real-World Face Forgery Detection", CVPR, 2020.

Ren Li, Jared S. Johansen, Hamad Ahmed, Thomas V. Ilyevsky, Ronnie B Wilbur, Hari M Bharadwaj, and Jeffrey Mark Siskind, "The Perils and Pitfalls of Block Design for EEG Classification Experiments", IEEE Transactions on Pattern Analysis and Machine Intelligence (TPAMI), 2020.

Yijian Xiang, Lu Fang, **Ren Li**, N. M. Cheung, "Depth Error Induced Virtual View Synthesis Distortion Estimation for 3D Video Coding", accepted by IEEE Data Compression Conference (DCC), Dec. 2014.

AWARDS & HONORS

Guo Moruo Scholarship*, USTC, 2015

National Scholarship (Top 2%), MOE of China, 2014

^{*} equal contribution.

The Talent Program Scholarship (Top 3%), USTC, 2014

*Guo Moruo Scholarship is the first scholarship of P.R. China, and the most highly regarded honor by USTC students and alumni, in name of our first president Mr. Guo Moruo.