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## EDUCATION

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### Fudan University

B.Eng. in Electronic Engineering

Shanghai, P.R. China

Sept. 2016 – Jun. 2020

- Overall GPA: 3.77/4.0 (rank 4/84), Major GPA: 3.9/4.0
- GRE: 332 + 3.5, TOEFL: 109
- Highlights:
  - Top 10 Students in the School of Information Science and Technology (top 1.3% of ~760 students)
  - First Prize Scholarship in Fudan University (twice; top 3% of ~13,000 students)

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

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My research interests include biomedical image analysis and machine learning, with a focus on multimodal feature fusion and unsupervised learning for diagnosis and disease prediction applications in MRI and tomography. I also have great passion and research experience in probabilistic modeling, mathematical statistics, optimization, and traditional image processing algorithms.

## EXPERIENCE

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### Fudan University (School of Data Science)

Research Assistant

Shanghai, P.R. China

Sept. 2020 – Present

#### Unsupervised Multimodal Co-registration and Segmentation of Medical Images

- Introduced an evidence lower bound to maximize the likelihood in a variational manner;
- Implemented spatial transformers to warp feature maps of networks by displacement fields, which are endowed with invertibility via vector integration;
- Leveraged convolution kernels shared by different modalities and modality-specific batch normalization to obtain domain-invariant latent variables;
- Designed an encoder-decoder architecture with skip connections to unsupervisedly register modalities into a common space, and segment them using the learned latent feature;
- Currently conducting research on contrastive learning and rotational equivariance to ensure the extraction of structure information through encoders.

#### Real-Time Image Warping and Sketch Generation via Edge Detection

- Implemented an accelerated version of the Free-Form Deformation algorithm to warp images in real time, in which a deformation takes only 0.1 seconds without GPU acceleration;
- Implemented six edge detection algorithms, i.e., Sobel, Canny, Laplacian, LoG, DoG, and XDoG, for sketch generation;
- Visualized space transformation with four types of animations in a user-friendly GUI;
- Implemented algorithms entirely using basic libraries like Numpy and Pytorch, code available on [github.com/lsDrizzle/FreeFormDeformation-SketchDetection](https://github.com/lsDrizzle/FreeFormDeformation-SketchDetection).

### University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

Summer Researcher under Prof. Dinggang Shen and Pew-Thian Yap

Chapel Hill, USA

Jul. 2019 – Sept. 2019

#### Vertebra Localization and Segmentation

- Participated in an MICCAI challenge, aiming to localize and segment vertebrae from 3D CT scans that involve various challenges such as scoliotic spines, metal insertions and highly restrictive FOVs;
- Implemented a Single Shot MultiBox Detector (an object detection network) to detect the entire spine;
- Implemented a Butterfly-like network, using sagittal and coronal projections of CT scans as inputs, to localize vertebrae, with an identification rate of 83% on the validation set;
- Implemented a 3D U-net to segment each vertebra according to the localization results, with a dice coefficient of 78% on the validation set;
- Ranked 7<sup>th</sup> over the testing dataset, code available on [github.com/lsDrizzle/Btrfly-Net-Pytorch](https://github.com/lsDrizzle/Btrfly-Net-Pytorch).

**Fudan University (Biomedical Imaging Lab)**

Shanghai, P.R. China

Research Assistant under Prof. Jinhua Yu

**Vessel Extraction Based on Style Transfer**

Oct. 2019 – Mar. 2020

- Conducted research on the diagnosis of arteriosclerosis based on T1 MRI images, as a novel substitution for current golden standard, digital subtraction angiography (DSA);
- Developed an innovative idea to generate TOF MRA images from corresponding high-resolution T1 MRI version;
- Segmented vessel lumen on MRA using kernel methods, then mapped the results back to T1 images so as to get prior information of vessel positions on T1;
- Implemented U-net-like networks to segment outer walls of vessels on T1 by utilizing prior information from MRA.

**Massachusetts Institute of Technology**

Boston, USA

Member of Team Fudan-CHINA

Oct. 2018

**International Genetically Engineered Machine Competition (iGEM)**

- Prepared for iGEM through intensive interdisciplinary training in computer science, medicine and biology for 6 months;
- Developed paper writing and teamwork skills when conducting scientific research in English;
- Developed machine learning, mathematical optimization, differential equation, stochastic process models to improve the performance of a synthetic signal transducer system on cell membranes, and wrote a report detailing the modeling;
- Designed webpages to illustrate our work (see, for example, our webpage for the modeling: [2018.igem.org/Team:Fudan-CHINA/Model](http://2018.igem.org/Team:Fudan-CHINA/Model));
- Delivered a formal presentation in Boston, and obtained a bronze medal.

**Fudan University**

Shanghai, P.R. China

**China Undergraduate Mathematical Contest in Modeling**

Sept. 2017

- Prepared for event through training in probability theory, mathematical statistics, and machine learning;
- Developed professional skills including modeling and scientific tools such as Python, MATLAB and Mathematica;
- Used cluster analysis and a decision tree to examine the best pricing strategy of a membership app, and used Bayesian estimation to forecast returns;
- Was part of the only sophomore team that obtained the first prize in the Shanghai Division.

**SELECTED AWARDS AND HONORS**

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- Top 10 Students in the School of Information Science and Technology (top 1.3% of ~760 students) 2019
- Outstanding Student at Fudan University (top 5% of ~13,000 students) 2019
- Outstanding Research Prize in the School of Information Science and Technology (2 of ~760 students) 2019
- First Prize Scholarship in Fudan University (top 3% of ~13,000 students) 2018
- Bronze Medal in International Genetically Engineered Machine Competition (343 teams) 2018
- Honorable Mention in Interdisciplinary Contest in Modeling (top ~20% of ~10,000 teams) 2018
- First Prize Scholarship at Fudan University (top 3% of ~13,000 students) 2017
- Selected to the Elite Engineer Program at Fudan University based on outstanding research performance (top 5% of ~350 students) 2017
- First Prize in China Undergraduate Mathematical Contest in Modeling (top 5% of ~1,000 teams) 2017

**COMPUTER SKILLS AND METHODS**

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- Languages: Python, MATLAB, C, JavaScript, Verilog, Mathematica
- Machine learning: Variational Bayes, Graphical Models, Kernel Methods, Convolutional Neural Network
- Courses: Data Structure, Computer Architecture, Convex Optimization, Discrete-Time Signal Processing, Random Processes, Information Theory