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RESEARCH INTERESTS Game AI, including Finite State Machine, Behavior Tree and Neural Network.

Computer Vision, including Image Classification, Object Detection, Semantic Labelling, Land-

mark Localization;

Machine Learning, including Random Forest, Support Vector Machines, Deep Learning and

Reinforcement Learning;

Edge Computing, including Camera Hardware, CPU/GPU/NPU, Heterogeneous Computing;

Human-Computer Interaction, including User Study, Prototyping, Gestural Interface.

EDUCATION Th

The University of Hong Kong,

Hong Kong SAR, China

Ph.D., Computer Science,

September 2010 - January 2016

• Thesis Title: Hand Detection and Hand Shape and Posture Analysis in Images.

• Advisor: Dr. Kenneth K. Y. Wong

Peking University,

Beijing, China

B.S., Intelligence Science and Technology

September 2006 - June 2010

- Thesis Title: Segmentation and Classification of Range Image.
- Excellent Undergraduate Thesis Award.
- · Advisor: Dr. Huijing Zhao

EXPERIENCE

Parametrix.ai.

Shenzhen, China

Research Engineer in the founding team

Mar 2019 - Present

- Modeling AI for commercial games;
- Helping exploring new ways of applying AI in gaming industry.

Tencent TEG,

Shenzhen, China

Senior R&D Engineer, Tech Lead

Aug 2016 - Mar 2019

- Led to deploy real-time face detection, landmarks and deformation on mobile phones;
- Developed and deployed real-time human pose estimation on iOS/Android phones;
- Helped to develop reinforcement learning for board game AI;
- Deployed real-time live video style transfer on iOS/Android phones;
- Developed an algorithm for real-time video style transfer;
- Developed several prototypes for Al Lab Vision Team.

R&D Engineer

Jul 2015 - Aug 2016

- Implemented CTC model for end-to-end speech recognition, collaborating with WeChat Speech Team:
- Worked on prototyping news recommendation using DNN model;
- Implemented a prototype of service robot based on ROS/Turtlebot.

Lenovo IVC Lab, Hong Kong SAR, China

Research Intern

June 2013 - August 2013

- Innovated new ways for image searching.
- Designed a prototype of touch-based image retrieval system and demonstrated it to CTO.

Microsoft Research Asia,

Beijing, China

Research Intern

June 2012 - September 2012

- Learned HCI workflow of problem solving;
- Designed visual feedback for in-air gesture recognition.

Youdao.com, Beijing, China

Software Engineer Intern

June 2010 - August 2010

- Coded web front-end of a Location-based Social Network Service;
- Cooperated with web designer.

Peking University, Beijing, China

Undergraduate Research Assistant

September 2008 - June 2010

- Participated in the *POSS* project, in 3D VCR Lab;
- Analyzed range data using computer vision methods.

PUBLICATIONS [Refereed Conference Papers]

- Haozhi Huang, Hao Wang, Wenhan Luo, Lin Ma, Wenhao Jiang, Xiaolong Zhu, Zhifeng Li, and Wei Liu. Real-Time Neural Style Transfer for Videos. *IEEE Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR)*, 2017.
- Xiaolong Zhu, Wei Liu, Xuhui Jia and Kwan-Yee K. Wong. A Two-Stage Detector for Hand Detection in Ego-Centric Videos. Winter Conference on Applications of Computer Vision (WACV), 2016.
- 3. **Xiaolong Zhu**, Xuhui Jia and Kwan-Yee K. Wong. Pixel-Level Hand Detection with Shape-aware Structured Forests. *Asian Conference on Computer Vision (ACCV)*, 2014.
- 4. **Xiaolong Zhu**, Ruoxin Sang, Xuhui Jia and Kwan-Yee K. Wong. A Hand Shape Recognizer from Simple Sketches. *International Conference on Image and Vision Computing New Zealand (IVCNZ)*, 2013.
- 5. Xuhui Jia, **Xiaolong Zhu**, Angran Lin and Kwok-Ping Chan. Face Alignment using Structured Random Regressors Combined with Statistical Shape Model Fitting. *International Conference on Image and Vision Computing New Zealand (IVCNZ*), 2013.
- 6. **Xiaolong Zhu**, Kwan-Yee K. Wong. Single-Frame Hand Gesture Recognition Using Color and Depth Kernel Descriptors. *IEEE International Conference on Pattern Recognition (ICPR)*, 2012.
- Zhihu Chen, Kwan-Yee K. Wong, Yasuyuki Matsushita, Xiaolong Zhu, Miaomiao Liu. Self-Calibrating Depth from Refraction. IEEE International Conference on Computer Vision (ICCV), 2011.
- 8. **Xiaolong Zhu**, Huijing Zhao, Yiming Liu, Yipu Zhao, Hongbin Zha. Segmentation and Classification of Range Image from an Intelligent Vehicle in Urban Environment. *IEEE/RSJ International Conference on Intelligent Robots and Systems (IROS)*, 2010.

9. Huijing Zhao, Yiming Liu, **Xiaolong Zhu**, Yipu Zhao, Hongbin Zha. Scene Understanding in a Large Dynamic Environment through a Laser-based Sensing. *IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA)*, 2010.

[Journal Papers]

- 1. **Xiaolong Zhu**, Xuhui Jia, Kwan-Yee K. Wong. Structured Forests for Pixel-level Hand Detection and Hand Part Labelling. *Computer Vision and Image Understanding (CVIU)*, 2015.
- 2. Zhihu Chen, Kwan-Yee K. Wong, Yasuyuki Matsushita, **Xiaolong Zhu**. Depth from Refraction Using a Transparent Medium with Unknown Pose and Refractive Index. *International Journal of Computer Vision (IJCV)*, 2012.

TEACHING

The University of Hong Kong,

Hong Kong SAR, China

Teaching Assistant

September 2010 - May 2014

- Assisted Dr. Kenneth K.Y. Wong in Computer Vision;
- Assisted Dr. Kenneth K.Y. Wong in Computer Programming and Applications;
- Assisted Dr. Loretta Yi-King Choi in Topic in Computer Science: Visual Analysis.
- Assisted Dr. Kenneth K.Y. Wong in Computer Vision;
- Assisted Dr. Chun Kit Chui in Computer Programming and Applications;
- Assisted Dr. Kenneth K.Y. Wong in Computer Programming and Applications;

TALKS

- Mobile Al Development on Arm Platform. Arm Developers Global Summit. in Chinese. 2018;
- Deploying AI on Mobile. Tencent HKU recruitment talk. 2018;
- Human Pose Estimation on Mobile. Tencent TLC. in Chinese. 2018;
- Panelist for LF DL session and Deep Learning Session. LC3 China. 2018;
- Learning Game of Go. Tencent Al Lab Academic Forum. in Chinese. 2018;

AWARDS

- Overseas High-Caliber Personnel (Level C) in Shenzhen, 2017-2023;
- Tencent Excellent R&D of the Year 2018, 2018;
- Tencent Technology Breakthrough of the Year 2017, 2017;
- Studentship of the University of Hong Kong, 2010-2014;
- Top 10 Undergraduate Thesis, School of EECS in Peking University, 2010;
- Wusi Scholarship in Peking University, 2009;
- Outstanding Volunteer in Beijing 2008 Olympic Games, 2008;
- First Class Honor in China Physics Olympic Games, Gansu, 2006.

TECHNICAL SKILLS

- Programming in: Python, C/C++, Matlab, JavaScript/HTML/CSS;
- Basic Experience in: Objective-C, Processing, UNIX Shell scripting;
- Native Mandarin speaker, fluent in English, very little Japanese and Cantonese;
- Operating Systems: Windows, Mac OS X.

SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

- TAC Member of LF Deep Learning Foundation, 2018-2019;
- Member of Tencent Open Source Working Group, 2018-2019;
- Co-founder of Tech Club of Tencent TEG, 2015-2016;
- Member of Information Technology Committee, The University of Hong Kong, 2012-2014;
- IT Officer of Postgraduate Association (PGSA) in The University of Hong Kong, 2011-2013;
- Volunteer as Media Assistant for Journalists in Games of the XXIX Olympiad, 2008.