YUCHEN LIU

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EDUCATION

Princeton University September 2017 – Present
Doctor of Philosophy in Electrical Engineering (expected August 2022) *Princeton, NJ, U.S.*
Research interest: Generative Models, Efficient Deep Learning, Machine Learning for Systems
Supervisor: Prof. S.Y. Kung and Prof. David Wentzlaff

Hong Kong University of Science and Technology September 2013 – June 2017
Bachelor of Engineering in Electronic Engineering *Hong Kong*
Minor: Business, Information Technology
Major GPA: 4.078/4.30

EXPERIENCE

Adobe Research May – November 2021
Research Intern in Computer Vision *San Jose, CA, U.S.*
Work with Dr. Zhixin Shu on a 3D-controllable GAN for face manipulation.

Adobe Research May – November 2020
Research Intern in Computer Vision *San Francisco, CA, U.S.*
Work with Dr. Federico Perazzi and Dr. Zhixin Shu on compressing StyleGAN2.

Massachusetts Institute of Technology June – August 2016
Summer Research Student *Cambridge, MA, U.S.*
Work with Prof. Dina Katabi on gait velocity and stride length estimation from wireless signals.

PUBLICATIONS

P.1. "3D-FM GAN: Towards 3D-Controllable Face Manipulation". Under Reviews.

P.2. **Yuchen Liu**, Zhixin Shu, Yijun Li, Zhe Lin, Federico Perazzi, and S.Y. Kung. "Content-Aware GAN Compression". In Proceedings of the *Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition, CVPR 2021.* (*paper*)

P.3. **Yuchen Liu**, S.Y. Kung and David Wentzlaff. "Evolving Transferable Neural Pruning Functions". Accepted to *Genetic and Evolutionary Computation Conference, GECCO 2022.* (*paper*)

P.4. **Yuchen Liu**, David Wentzlaff and S.Y. Kung. "Class-Discriminative Network Compression". Accepted to *International Conference on Pattern Recognition, ICPR 2022.* (*paper*)

P.5. **Yuchen Liu**, David Wentzlaff and S.Y. Kung. "Rethinking Class-Discrimination Based CNN Channel Pruning". *ArXiv 2020.* (*arxiv*)

P.6. S.Y. Kung, Zejiang Hou and **Yuchen Liu**. "Methodical Design and Trimming of Deep Learning Networks: Enhancing External BP learning with Internal Omnipresent-Supervision Training Paradigm". In Proceedings of the *International Conference on Acoustics, Speech, and Signal Processing, ICASSP 2019.* (*paper*)

P.7. Chen-Yu Hsu, **Yuchen Liu**, Zachary Kabelac, Rumen Hristov, Dina Katabi, and Christine Liu. "Extracting Gait Velocity and Stride Length from Surrounding Radio Signals". In Proceedings of the *Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems, CHI 2017.* (*paper*)

RESEARCH PROJECTS

3D-FM GAN: Towards 3D-Controllable Face Manipulation May – November 2021
Supervisor: Dr. Zhixin Shu *Adobe Research, Adobe, U.S.*

- Develop a conditional StyleGAN generator for 3D-controllable and identity-preserved face manipulation.
- Keyword: StyleGAN2, 3DMM, conditional GAN, controllable image manipulation. Paper in submission.

Content-Aware GAN Compression May – November 2020
Supervisor: Dr. Federico Perazzi and Dr. Zhixin Shu *Adobe Research, Adobe, U.S.*

- Develop a content-aware strategy to compress state-of-the-art generative adversarial networks (GANs), StyleGAN2.
- Keyword: StyleGAN2, network compression, image editing. Paper published in *CVPR 2021* (*paper*).

Evolving Transferable Neural Pruning Functions August 2019 – June 2020
Supervisor: Prof. David Wentzlaff *ELE Dept., Princeton University, U.S.*

- Learn novel and transferable closed-form pruning functions by an evolution strategy.
- Keyword: MobileNet-V2, channel pruning, genetic programming. Paper accepted to *GECCO 2022* (*paper*).

Class-Discriminative CNN Compression November 2020 – March 2021
Supervisor: Prof. S.Y. Kung *ELE Dept., Princeton University, U.S.*

- Develop a class-discriminative approach for pruning and distillation to compress classification CNNs.
- Keyword: Channel pruning, discriminant functions, knowledge distillation. Paper accepted to *ICPR 2022* (*paper*).

Methodical Design and Trimming of Deep Learning Networks August 2018 – Feburary 2019
Supervisor: Prof. S.Y. Kung *ELE Dept., Princeton University, U.S.*

- Introduce an internal omnipresent-supervision training paradigm for neural network's growing and trimming.
- Keyword: Channel pruning, channel growing, hidden layer's supervision. Paper published in *ICASSP 2019* (*paper*).

Gait Parameters Extraction Using RF Signal June 2016 – November 2016
Supervisor: Prof. Dina Katabi *CSAIL, MIT, U.S.*

- Extract gait velocity and stride length using wireless signals reflected from the human body.
- Keyword: Wireless sensing, continuous monitoring. Paper published in *CHI 2017* (*paper*).

Evolving Neural Networks for Memory Prefetching September 2020 – Present
Supervisor: Prof. David Wentzlaff *ELE Dept., Princeton University, U.S.*

- Evolve neural network structures for memory prefetching.
- Keyword: SPEC CPU benchmark, evolution strategy, workload analysis, memory access pattern.

HONORS & AWARDS

HKUST Outstanding Undergraduate May 2017
Awarded to top 3% of graduating undergraduate students.

The 14th National Challenge Cup, National Round, Third Prize October 2015
Innovation competition joined by more than 2.5 million students from over 3,000 institutions

HKUST 2015 President's Cup, Gold Award June 2015
University undergraduate innovative research competition, involving more than 40 groups of students

The 6th HKUST Robot Design Contest, Silver Prize December 2014
University robot design contest with over 100 participants

Scholarship Scheme for Continuing Undergraduate Students 2013 – 2017
Awarded to the top 5% of students

Dean's List 2014 – 2017
Acknowledgement from HKUST's dean to students with excellent academic performance

HKSAR Reaching Out Award June 2016
Awarded to students with international research experience

EXCHANGE/VISITING

Massachusetts Institute of Technology, MA, U.S. June – August 2016

Cornell University, NY, U.S. August – December 2015

Peking University, Beijing, China June – August 2014

SKILLS & TEST SCORES

Programming	C/C++, Python, HTML/CSS, Javascript, VHDL, Verilog, Android, UNIX shell script
Tools and libraries	TensorFlow, PyTorch, OpenCV, MATLAB, Mathematica, iPython, ROS
Languages	Mandarin (Native), Cantonese (Native), English (Proficient)