Peirong Liu

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Education

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill — Chapel Hill, U.S.
Ph.D. Candidate in Computer Science — Aug 2018 – Present

Shanghai University — Shanghai, China
Bachelor of Science in Mathematics — Sep 2014 – Jun 2018
- GPA: 3.94/4.00; Class rank: 1/305

Experience

Department of Computer Science, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill — Chapel Hill, U.S.
Research assistant, supervised by Dr. Marc Niethammer — Feb 2019 – Present
- Research on machine learning and deep learning techniques for solving PDEs, with its application to quantitative analysis of MR perfusion imaging and stroke diagnosis.
- Developed a data-assimilation approach (PIANO) which models the transport of the contrast agent in perfusion imaging by a variable-coefficient advection-diffusion PDEs. **[MICCAI-2020]**

IDEA Group, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill — Chapel Hill, U.S.
Research assistant, supervised by Dr. Dinggang Shen and Dr. Pew-Thian Yap — Aug 2018 – Dec 2018
- Proposed a graph-convolution-based deep learning architecture that longitudinally predicts infant cortical growth, with spatial-temporal knowledge. **[IPMI-2019]**
- Researched on geometric deep learning and its application on infant cortical surfaces development.

Department of Mathematics, Shanghai University — Shanghai, China.
Undergraduate researcher, supervised by Dr. Shihui Ying — Sep 2016 – Jun 2018
- Researched on Riemannian spaces of shapes via the diffeomorphism group representation
- Helped teach graduate course *Shape Spaces*

Publications

Peirong Liu, Yueh Z. Lee, Stephen R. Aylward, Marc Niethammer. "PIANO: Perfusion Imaging via Advection-diffusion". *International Conference on Medical Image Computing and Computer Assisted Intervention (MICCAI)*, 2020. Early accept (25% acceptance rate).

Peirong Liu, Zhengwang Wu, Gang Li, Pew-Thian Yap, Dinggang Shen. "Deep Modeling of Growth Trajectories for Longitudinal Prediction of Missing Infant Cortical Surfaces". *Information Processing in Medical Imaging (IPMI)*, 2019. Oral presentation (10% acceptance rate).

Honors

IPMI 2019 Scholarship, *Hong Kong*	2019
Outstanding Graduate Awards, *Shanghai*	2018
Presidential Scholarship, *Shanghai University (Highest honor)*	2017
National Scholarship, *Shanghai University (Top 1%)*	2017
Baogang Outstanding Student Award, *Shanghai (Top 4)*	2017
Finalist Winner, *U.S. Mathematical Contest In Modelling (MCM) (36 out of 8843 teams)*	2017
Third Prize, *Shanghai Mathematics Competitions (Math Major)*	2016
Top Grade Scholarship, *Shanghai University (Top 3%)*	2015, 2016, 2017
Outstanding Student, *Shanghai University*	2015, 2016, 2017
Academic Innovation Award, *Shanghai University*	2016, 2017
Leadership Award, *Shanghai University*	2016
Public Service Award, *Shanghai University*	2015

Skills

Computer: Python, MATLAB, C/C++, LaTeX, HTML, JAVA, R, MS Office
Libraries: PyTorch, TensorFlow, Theano
OS: Linux (Ubuntu), Mac OSX
Languages:
- Mandarin: Native
- English: TOEFL: 112 (R-29, L-29, S-26, W-28), GRE: 327+4.5 (V-157, Q-170, AW-4.5)

Interests:
- Guzheng: Professional level-10 certificate (passed with 'Excellent'), Duke Music Ensemble member
- Piano; Keyboard
- Hiking; Running; Lifting; Table tennis