Ming-Yu Liu

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Professional Experiences

Senior Research Scientist

• NVIDIA Research

Santa Clara, CA, USA

2016 - now

 Conducted research on generative modeling, image synthesis, image-to-image translation, style transfer, and domain adaptation.

• Mitsubishi Electric Research Laboratories (MERL)

Cambridge, MA, USA

2012 - 2016

Principal Research Scientist

Conducted research on generative modeling, object pose estimation, object detection, semantic segmentation, image processing, and active learning for factory automation and autonomous driving.

- Product launched: MELFA-3D vision system

• Intel Software Engineering Intern

Taipei, Taiwan

2005 – 2006

Software Engineering Intern

Taiwan

Paratrooper Platoon Leader, Military Rank: Second Lieutenant

2003 - 2005

Education

• University of Maryland College Park, Maryland Electrical and Computer Engineering, Ph.D.

College Park, MD, USA

2006 - 2012

• National Chiao Tung University Electrical Engineering, B.A.

Hsinchu, Taiwan

1999 - 2003

Patents

- US 9,989,964: System and Method for Controlling Vehicle Using Neural Network
- US 9,971,958: Method and System for Generating Multimodal Digital Images
- US 9,811,756: Method for Labeling Images of Street Scenes
- US 9,805,294: Method for Denoising Time-of-Flight Range Images
- US 9,704,257: System and method for semantic segmentation using Gaussian random field network
- US 9,633,274: Method and system for denoising images using deep Gaussian conditional random field network
- US 9,558,268: Method for semantically labeling an image of a scene using recursive context propagation
- US 9,280,827: Method for determining object poses using Weighted Features
- US 9,195,904: Method for detecting objects in stereo images
- US 8,983,177: Method for increasing resolutions of depth images
- US 8,908,913: Voting-based pose estimation for 3D sensors
- US 8,428,363: Method for segmenting images using superpixels and entropy rate clustering

Services

- Reviewer: NIPS, ICML, ICLR, CVPR, ICCV, ECCV, IEEE TPAMI, IEEE TIP, IEEE SPL, CVIU, NSF proposal
- Area Chair: WACV'17, BMVC'18
- Guest Editor: CVIU Special Issue on Adversarial Learning in Computer Vision

Tutorial and Workshop

- Organized CVPR'18 Workshop on AI City Challenge
- Organized CVPR'17 Tutorial on Theory and Applications of Generative Adversarial Networks
- Organized ACCV'16 Tutorial on Deep Learning for Vision Guided Language Generation and Image Generation

Invited Talks

- High-Resolution Image Synthesis and Semantic Manipulation with Conditional GANs,
 CVPR'18 Workshop on New Trends in Image Restoration and Enhancement workshop and challenges on super-resolution, dehazing, and spectral reconstruction
- Multimodal Unsupervised Image-to-Image Translation, CVPR'18 Tutorial on GANs

Awards

- 1st place, Domain Adaptation for Semantic Segmentation Competition, WAD Challenge, CVPR'18
- 1st place, Optical Flow Competition, Robust Vision Challenge, CVPR'18
- Outstanding Reviewer, CVPR'18
- Pioneer Research Award, NVIDIA'17 and '18
- Nvida Technology Conference, Best Presenter Award, NVIDIA '17
- CR&D Award, Mitsubishi Electric Research Labs (MERL) '16
- Best paper final listby Robotics: Science and System Conference RSS'15
- R&D 100 Award by R&D magazine, '14
- University of Maryland College Park, Fellowship, '11

Opensource Projects

- UNIT, https://github.com/mingyuliutw/UNIT
- MUNIT, https://github.com/NVlabs/MUNIT
- pix2pixHD, https://github.com/NVIDIA/pix2pixHD
- FastPhotoStyle https://github.com/NVIDIA/FastPhotoStyle

Publications

Video-to-Video Synthesis

Ting-Chun Wang, Ming-Yu Liu, Jun-Yan Zhu, Guilin Liu, Andrew Tao, Jan Kautz, Bryan Catanzaro NIPS'18

Context-aware Synthesis and Placement of Object Instances

Donghoon Lee, Sifei Liu, Jinwei Gu, Ming-Yu Liu, Ming-Hsuan Yang, Jan Kautz NIPS'18

• Multimodal Unsupervised Image-to-Image Translation

Xun Huang, Ming-Yu Liu, Serge Belongie, Jan Kautz ECCV'18

• A Closed-form Solution to Photorealistic Image Stylization

Yijun Li, Ming-Yu Liu, Xueting Li, Ming-Hsuan Yang, Jan Kautz ECCV'18

Superpixel Sampling Networks

Varun Jampani, Deqing Sun, Ming-Yu Liu, Ming-Hsuan Yang, Jan Kautz ECCV'18

• High-Resolution Image Synthesis and Semantic Manipulation with Conditional GANs

Ting-Chun Wang, Ming-Yu Liu, Jun-Yan Zhu, Andrew Tao, Jan Kautz, Bryan Catanzaro CVPR'18

• PWC-Net: CNNs for Optical Flow Using Pyramid, Warping, and Cost Volume

Deqing Sun, Xiaodong Yang, Ming-Yu Liu, Jan Kautz CVPR'18

• Learning Superpixels with Segmentation-Aware Affinity Loss

Wei-Chih Tu, Ming-Yu Liu, Varun Jampani, Deqing Sun, Shao-Yi Chien, Ming-Hsuan Yang, Jan Kautz

• MoCoGAN: Decomposing Motion and Content for Video Generation

Sergey Tulyakov, Ming-Yu Liu, Xiaodong Yang, Jan Kautz CVPR'18

• The 2018 NVIDIA AI City Challenge

Milind Naphade, Ming-Ching Chang, Anuj Sharma, David C. Anastasiu, Vamsi Jagarlamudi, Pranamesh Chakraborty, Tingting Huang, Shuo Wang, Ming-Yu Liu, Rama Chellappa, Jenq-Neng Hwang, and Siwei Lyu CVPR'18 Workshop

• Reblur2Deblur: Deblurring Videos via Self-Supervised Learning

Huaijin Chen, Jinwei Gu, Orazio Gallo, Ming-Yu Liu, Ashok Veeraraghavan, Jan Kautz ICCP'18

• Learning Binary Residual Representations for Domain-specific Video Streaming

Yi-Hsuan Tsai, Ming-Yu Liu, Deqing Sun, Ming-Hsuan Yang, Jan Kautz AAAI'18

• Localization-Aware Active Learning for Object Detection

Chieh-Chi Kao, Teng-Yok Lee, Pradeep Sen, Ming-Yu Liu arXiv preprint arXiv:1801.05124

• Unsupervised Image-to-Image Translation Networks

Ming-Yu Liu, Thomas Breuel, and Jan Kautz **NIPS 2017**

Deep 360 Pilot: Learning a Deep Agent for Piloting through 360 Sports Videos

Hou-Ning Hu*, Yen-Chen Lin*, Ming-Yu Liu, Hsien-Tzu Cheng, Stanley Chang, Min Sun **CVPR 2017**

• CASENet: Deep Category-Aware Semantic Edge Detection

Zhiding Yu, Chen Feng, Ming-Yu Liu, Srikumar Ramalingam **CVPR 2017**

• Tactics of Adversarial Attack on Deep Reinforcement Learning Agents

Yen-Chen Lin, Zhang-Wei Hong, Yuan-Hong Liao, Meng-Li Shih, Ming-Yu Liu, Min Sun **IJCAI 2017**

• Attentional Network for Visual Object Detection

Kota Hara, Ming-Yu Liu, Oncel Tuzel, and Amir-massoud Farahmand arXiv preprint arXiv:1702.01478

• Deep Active Learning for Civil Infrastructure Defect Detection and Classification

Chen Feng, Ming-Yu Liu, Chieh-Chi Kao, and Teng-Yok Lee International Workshop on Computing in Civil Engineering (IWCCE), 2017

• Coupled Generative Adversarial Networks

Ming-Yu Liu, Oncel Tuzel **NIPS 2016**

• R-CNN for Small Object Detection

Chenyi Chen, Ming-Yu Liu, Oncel Tuzel, Jianxiong Xiao

Gaussian Conditional Random Field Network for Semantic Segmentation

Raviteja Vemulapalli, Oncel Tuzel, Ming-Yu Liu, Rama Chellappa **CVPR 2016**

• Deep Gaussian Conditional Random Field Network: A Model-based Deep Network for Denoising

Raviteja Vemulapalli, Oncel Tuzel, Ming-Yu Liu

CVPR 2016

• Learning to Remove Multipath Distortions in Time-of-Flight Range Images for a Robotic Arm Setup Kilho Son, Ming-Yu Liu, Yuichi Taguchi

ICRA 2016

• Unsupervised Network Pretraining via Encoding Human Design

Ming-Yu Liu, Arun Mallya, Oncel Tuzel, Xi Chen **WACV 2016**

Layered Interpretation of Street View Images

Ming-Yu Liu, Shuoxin Lin, Srikumar Ramalingam, Oncel Tuzel

• Recursive Context Propagation Network for Semantic Scene Labeling

Abhishek Sharma, Oncel Tuzel, Ming-Yu Liu NIPS 2014

• Learning to Rankd 3D Features

Oncel Tuzel, Ming-Yu Liu, Yuichi Taguchi, Arvind Raghunathan ECCV 2014

• Joint Geodesic Upsampling of Depth Images

Ming-Yu Liu, Oncel Tuzel, Yuichi Taguchi **CVPR 2013**

Cluster Analysis via Maximizing a Submodular Function subject to a Matroid Constraint

Ming-Yu Liu, Oncel Tuzel, Srikumar Ramalingam, Rama Chellappa **TPAMI 2014**

• Model-Based Vehicle Pose Estimation and Tracking in Videos Using Random Forests

Michael Hodlmoser, Branislav Micusik, Marc Pollefeys, Ming-Yu Liu, Martin Kampel 3DV 2013

• Fast Object Detection and Pose Estimation in Heavy Clutter for Robotic Bin-Picking

Ming-Yu Liu, Oncel Tuzel, Ashok Veeraraghavan, Yuichi Taguchi, Tim K. Marks, Rama Chellappa **IJRR 2012**

• Voting-Based Pose Estimation for Robotic Assembly Using a 3D Sensor

Changhyun Choi, Yuichi Taguchi, Oncel Tuzel, Ming-Yu Liu, Srikumar Ramalingam ICRA 2012

• A Grassmann Manifold-based Domain Adaptation Approach

Jingjing Zheng, Ming-Yu Liu, Rama Chellappa, P Jonathan Phillips ICPR 2012

• Classification and Pose Estimation of Vehicles in Videos by 3D Modeling

Michael Hödlmoser, Branislav Micusik, Ming-Yu Liu, Marc Pollefeys, Martin Kampel 3DV 2012

• Entropy Rate Superpixel Segmentation

Ming-Yu Liu, Oncel Tuzel, Srikumar Ramalingam, Rama Chellappa **CVPR 2011**

• Fast Directional Chamfer Matching

Ming-Yu Liu, Oncel Tuzel, Ashok Veeraraghavan, Rama Chellappa

• Pose Estimation in Heavy Clutter using a Multi-Flash Camera

Ming-Yu Liu, Oncel Tuzel, Ashok Veeraraghavan, Rama Chellappa, Amit Agrawal, Haruhisa Okuda ICRA 2010