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### RESEARCH INTERESTS

- Machine Learning and Computer Vision, especially generative model for image and music generation, e.g. Generative Adversarial Nets (GAN) and Energy Based Models (EBM)
- Cross-disciplinary Areas, where Machine Leaning and Computer Vision can be applied and boost other subjects

### **EDUCATION**

**Zhejiang University** 

Hangzhou, China

Bachelor of Engineering (expected)

Sept. 2016 - Jun. 2020

- Cumulative GPA: 3.99/4.00 (91.71/100); Major GPA: 4.00/4.00 (93.35/100); Rank: 1/48; admitted to Zhe-jiang University on the basis of outstanding performance on national college entrance exam (top 2% statewide)
- Honors Class: Advanced Honor Class of Engineering Education; GPA: 4.00/4.00 (Honored minor for the selected top 40 students with leadership and research capacity from about 5600 engineering students in Zhejiang University)
- Honors Program: Morningside Culture China Scholar (This program aims to nurture future social leaders who are knowledgeable about Chinese culture and have a global vision)

### University of California, Los Angeles

CA, U.S.

Visiting Student

Jul. 2019 - Sept. 2019

- Cross-Disciplinary Scholars in Science and Technology(CSST)
- Advisor: Prof. Ying Nian Wu
- Project: Generative Model and Hamiltonian Monte Carlo (Details see Research Experience)

### RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

### **Energy Based Model and Generative Model**

UCLA

Center for Vision, Cognition, Learning, and Autonomy; Advisor Prof. Ying Nian Wu

Jul. 2019 - Sept. 2019

- Proposed the implementation of Hamiltonina Monte Carlo (HMC) methods in Generative models for more realistic image generation, which managed to go beyond simple MCMC methods
- Conducted overall experiments on benchmark dataset CIFAR-10 to compare both the efficiency and accuracy between HMC and Langevin dynamics

### **Automatic Music Generation Model and Platform**

Zhejiang University

Next Lab; Advisor Prof. Kejun Zhang

Oct. 2018 - Jul. 2019

- Established the startup *Mind Band* at Hangzhou, P.R. China, devoting to automatic music generation and innovating the way of emotional expression
- Mainly worked on symbolic music generation (, especially chord learning) with the innovation of using Wassertein GAN; wrote a 10-page paper about this model and submitted to ISMIR<sup>1</sup>
- Built a large platform (an app and a website) with teammates to combine music generation, music emotion extraction and humming recognitio
- One of our paper is accepted by ACM Multimedia 2019

### **Music Note Classification**

Zhejiang University

Next Lab; Advisor: Prof. Kejun Zhang

Jul. 2019 - Sept. 2019

• Program: National Undergraduate Training Program for Innovation

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>some generated samples can be found at my webpage

- Established a music note recognition framework (OCR) to translate sheet music into Musical Instrument Digital Interface (MIDI) for the ease of editing and preservation
- Conducted a systematic study and practice of the knowledge for Programming (Python, Shell Script), Machine Learning (object classification task), Computer Vision and Music

## **Machine Learning with Differential Privacy**

Zhejiang University Mar. 2019 - Jun. 2019

Computer Network Security Course Project, Advisor: Prof. Kai Bu

- Searched for and summarized literature on relevant topics for research direction
- Proposed a noise introducing method to prevent membership attack on pretrained model and provide differential privacy
- Programmed for the study and conducted toy example on MNIST and CIFAR-10
- Wrote and presented an introduction paper on this topic

### **SCHOLARSHIPS**

- 2018: Tang Lixin Scolarship, 40 out of 23,000 undergraduate students
- 2018 & 2017<sup>2</sup>: National Scholarship, Top 0.2% across China
- 2018 & 2017: First-Class Scholarship for Outstanding Students, Top 3% across Zhejiang University
- 2018 & 2017: First-Class Scholarship for Outstanding Merits, Top 3% across Zhejiang University

#### **AWARDS**

- 2018: Golden Award for China College Students Internet+ Innovation and Entrepreneurship Competition, 58 winners teams out of 60,000
- 2018: Outstanding Winner of China Collegiate Computing Contest Mobile Application Innovation Contest, highest prize of the only official competition by Apple Inc. in China
- 2017: The Second Prize of Provincial Innovation Competition of Physics

### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

### Additional Professional and Extracurricular Experiences

- Mornside Scholars Program's American Visit: Coordinator and active member (2019 summer)
- College Students' Summer Supporting Education Activities: Active member in Dream of Meitan (2017 summer)
- Students Quality Training Project: Team leader of residential college website design (2016)

### **Interests**

- Novels and Science fiction literature: Guns, Germs and Steel: A short history of everybody for the last 13000 years, The Three-Body Problem, Love in the Time of Cholera
- Ancient Chinese books: Mencius, the Great Learning
- Sports: swimming, jogging

### **Computer and Language Skills**

- Computer Languages: Python, MATLAB, C++, Linux Shell, C
- Frameworks: PyTorch, Tensorflow, QT, OpenCV
- Operation Systems: Linux, MacOS, Windows
- Language: Native speaker of Mandarin Chinese and fluent English

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>refering to more than once