# SHENGAN ZHANG

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#### **EDUCATION**

### University of Michigan (UM), Ann Arbor, MI, USA

College of Engineering (CoE)

B.S.E in Computer Science, Minor in Mathematics

Expected May 2021

Cumulative GPA: 3.95 / 4.0

### Shanghai Jiao Tong University (SJTU), Shanghai, China

University of Michigan – Shanghai Jiao Tong University Joint Institute (UM – SJTU JI)

B.S in Electrical and Computer Engineering

Expected August 2021

Cumulative GPA: 3.71 / 4.0, Rank: 35/253

#### RESEARCH PROJECTS

# Data Elements from Video using Impartial Algorithm Tools for Extraction

May 2020 – Present

Supervised by Dr. Carol Flannagan, Ann Arbor, MI

- Developed and tested algorithms to detect the position of hand primitive in vehicle-monitoring videos, which would be a baseline component for next-stage cell phone usage detection algorithm.
- Reduced misdetection of hand position in cabin-view videos by implementing a background-removal algorithm based on Optical Flow masking.
- Reimplemented the User Interface for a labeling software with PyQt5, which adopted a tree structure to indicate the relationship between objects in video frames and let to better labeling experience.
- Tested on SHRP2 dataset the generalizability of a 3D ConvNet model, which was trained and finetuned on IVBSS dataset.
- Trained a 3D ConvNet model on face-view videos to evaluate the model's performance on the extraction of cell-phone-related behaviors.
- Cooperated with a peer researcher to work on a paper "Driver Behavior Extraction from Videos in Naturalistic Driving Datasets with 3D ConvNets" (in submission).

# Data Augmentation based on Invariant Transform Experience Replay

May 2020 - August 2020

Supervised by Dr. Paul Weng, Dr. Matthieu Zimmer, Shanghai

- Self-learned Deep Reinforcement Learning (RL) theory.
- Tested the original RL data augmentation method, which made symmetries of multi-task robot manipulator's trajectories and targets, with DDPG model on tasks from OpenAI Gym.
- Proposed a method of randomly sampling reflection angles and choosing best angles based on the temporal difference errors of the corresponding symmetric trajectories to enhance the effectiveness of data augmentation.

### **Analyzer of Leg Movement Based on Wireless Transmission**

June 2018 – November 2019

Supervised by Dr. Guohua Shu, Shanghai

- Co-developed algorithms leading to real-time leg movement visualization based on MPU-6050 acceleration sensors and STM-32 board.
- Preprocessed acceleration data to eliminate noise and designed algorithm to simulate the trajectory of leg with these data in MATLAB.

#### **HONORS & AWARDS**

## UM CoE Dean's List, University Honors

January 2020

The Dean's Honor List recognizes UM students that have 3.5 GPA or better for the term.

# Tang Junyuan UM - SJTU JI Scholarship

August 2019

The scholarship of the highest level in UM – SJTU JI (Top 1% in UM – SJTU JI).

## China National Scholarship

November 2018

The scholarship of the highest level in China (Top 0.2% in China).

### UM - SJTU JI Academic Writing Contest, 2nd Prize

December 2018

The award to recognize my essay "Would Zhuangzi Agree with Himself?" (Top 1% in UM - SJTU JI).

### A-level Excellent Undergraduate Scholarship

November 2018

This is to award SJTU students for excellent academic performances (Top 1% in UM - SJTU JI).

# Shanghai Jiao Tong University Outstanding Student

October 2018

This scholarship recognizes students of outstanding overall performance.

#### **LEADERSHIP**

## UM - SJTU JI Student Union, Vice President of the Presidium

June 2018 – June 2019

Took the overall responsibility of UM – SJTU JI Student Union and lead all the departments to hold events such as sports competitions, town hall meeting and career orientation to improve JI students' life.

### **TEACHING**

## VG 100 Introduction to Engineering, Teaching Assistant

May 2020 - August 2020

Offered by Dr. Manuel Charlemagne, Dr. Michelle Campbell, Shanghai

- Cooperated with other teaching assistants to grade assignments and provided feedback to students.
- Held office hours to help students perform better and learn more efficiently.
- Collected students' ideas and provided them for the instructors to improve this course.

### **COURSE EXPERIENCES**

### **EECS 498 Deep Learning for Computer Vision**

September 2020 – December 2020

Offered by Dr. Justin Johnson, Ann Arbor, MI

- Implemented an image captioning model based on RNN, LSTM and Attention mechanism.
- Built an anchor-based single-stage object detector similar to YOLO and a two-stage object detector, similar to Faster R-CNN, that combined a region proposal network with a recognition network.
- Developed two different kinds of generative models: Variational Autoencoders and Generative Adversarial Networks.

#### **EECS 445 Introduction to Machine Learning**

January 2020 - April 2020

Offered by Dr. Sindhu Kutty, Ann Arbor, MI

- Built a text classifier based on RBF-kernel SVM and ran fine-tuning.
- Designed an image classifier based on CNN with data augmentation and fractional-max-pooling.

### EECS 482 Introduction to Operating Systems, Advanced Version

January 2020 - April 2020

Offered by Dr. Harsha V. Madhyastha, Ann Arbor, MI

- Built a thread library to support multi-threaded programming for both uniprocessor and multiprocessor systems.
- Implemented a pager to manage application processes' virtual address spaces.
- Developed a multi-threaded network server for file management in client-server systems.