## Xiaoxiao SUN



I am a Ph.D. student at the Australian National University (ANU), under the supervision of Dr. Liang Zheng, Prof. Hongdong Li and Dr. Vivek Sharma. I received my M.Sc from the College of Computer and Control Engineering, Nankai University (NKU) in 2018, supervised by Prof. Jufeng Yang.

### RESEARCH INTERESTS

I have interest in exploring cutting-edge advancements in computer vision and machine learning. Specifically, I am deeply intrigued by Model and Data Vulnerability Assessment, Learning from Synthetic Data, and Dataset Representation strategies. Currently, my focus is on Data-centric computer vision, involving the creation of evaluation protocols for computer vision tasks and uncovering underlying dataset distribution patterns.

#### **EDUCATION**

09/2019- Present Ph.D, in College of Engineering and Computer Science, Australian National University

09/2015- 07/2018 M.Sc., Computer Science and Technology, Nankai University

09/2011- 07/2015 B.Sc., Information and Computing Science, Hebei University of Technology

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

07/2018- 07/2019 **Visiting Fellow**, in Centre for Smart System (CS2), Singapore University of Technology and Design. I worked on domain adaptation for person re-identification.

12/2022- 04/2023 Intern, in SonyAl, Tokyo, Japan. I focused on privacy assessment concerning the risk of privacy leakage

under reconstruction attacks. Supervised by Dr. Lingjuan Lyu.

## **PUBLICATION**

- Xiaoxiao Sun, Yue Yao, Shengjin Wang, Hongdong Li, Liang Zheng. "Alice Benchmarks: Connecting Real World Object Re-Identification with the Synthetic", ICLR 2024
- Xiaoxiao Sun\*, Xingjian Leng\*, Zijian Wang\*, Yang Yang\*, Zi Huang, Liang Zheng. "CIFAR-10-Warehouse: Towards Broad and More Realistic Testbeds in Model Generalization Analysis", ICLR 2024
- Xiaoxiao Sun, Nidham Gazagnadou, Vivek Sharma, Lingjuan Lyu, Hongdong Li, Liang Zheng. "Privacy Assessment on Reconstructed Images: Are Existing Evaluation Metrics Faithful to Human Perception?", (Spotlight) NeurIPS 2023
- Xiaoxiao Sun, Yunzhong Hou, Weijian Deng, Hongdong Li, Liang Zheng. "Ranking Models in Unlabeled New Environments", ICCV 2021
- Xiaoxiao Sun, Liang Zheng. "Dissecting Person Re-identification from the Viewpoint of Viewpoint", CVPR 2019
- Xiaoxiao Sun, Liyi Chen, Jufeng Yang. "Learning from Web Data using Adversarial Discriminative Neural Networks for Fine-Grained Classification", AAAI 2019
- Xiaoxiao Sun, Jufeng Yang, Ming Sun, Kai Wang. "A Benchmark for Automatic Visual Classification of Clinical Skin Disease Images", ECCV 2016
- Jufeng Yang, Xiaoxiao Sun, Yu-Kun Lai, Liang Zheng, Ming-Ming Cheng. "Recognition from Web Data: A Progressive Filtering Approach", TIP 2018
- Jufeng Yang, Xiaoxiao Sun, Jie Liang, Paul Rosin. "Clinical Skin Lesion Diagnosis using Representations Inspired by Dermatologist Criteria", CVPR 2018
- Jufeng Yang, Xiaoping Wu, Jie Liang, Xiaoxiao Sun, Ming-Ming Cheng, Paul L. Rosin and Liang Wang. "Self-Paced Balance Learning for Clinical Skin Disease Recognition", TNNLS 2019
- Jufeng Yang, Liyi Chen, Le Zhang, **Xiaoxiao Sun**, Dongyu She, Shao-Ping Lu, Ming-Ming Cheng. "Historical Context-based Style Classification of Painting Images via Label Distribution Learning", **ACM TMM** 2018
- Jufeng Yang, Ming Sun, Xiaoxiao Sun. "Learning Visual Sentiment Distributions via Augmented Conditional Probability Neural Network", AAAI 2017

# Papers Under Review

• Xiaoxiao Sun, Yunzhong Hou, Hongdong Li, Liang Zheng. "Label-free model evaluation with semi-structured dataset representations"

## **■** Research Projects

## Now

#### Privacy Assessment on Reconstructed Images, SonyAI/ANU, Japan/Australia

#### November 2022

- > Studying the faithfulness of existing hand-crafted metrics to human perception of privacy information from the reconstructed image comprehensively
- > Proposing SemSim, a learning-based and generalizable metric to assess model vulnerability to reconstruction attack

Supervisor: Dr. Lingjuan Lyu (SonyAl) Prof. Hongdong Li (ANU) Dr. Liang Zheng (ANU)

### October 2022 April 2021

### Dataset Representing and Testbeds Collecting, ANU, Australia

- > Proposing a new semi-structured dataset representation from image features. Integrating distribution shape, clusters, and representative samples, the proposed representation encodes abundant information for accuracy prediction tasks
- > Building CIFAR-10-Warehouse: collecting 180 + 25 real-world evaluation datasets from websites (clearned) for a more comprehensive evaluation

Supervisor: Prof. Hongdong Li (ANU) Dr. Liang Zheng (ANU)

#### March 2021 July 2020

### Ranking Models in Unlabeled New Environments, ANU, Australia

- > Studying a new problem: ranking source model performance on an unlabeled target domain
- > Proposing to use a labeled proxy that can give us a good estimation of model ranking. It is constructed via a search process such that the proxy data distribution is close to the target

Supervisor: Prof. Hongdong Li (ANU) Dr. Liang Zheng (ANU)

#### Now July 2018

#### Learning from Synthetic Data, ANU, Australia

- > Building a 3D data synthesis system to create high-fidelity, realistic synthetic datasets
- > Evaluating the influence of visual factor changes on machine vision systems based on the controllable synthetic data and design real-world models of machine vision that effectively leverage the scientific discoveries and learn better from synthetic data

Supervisor: Dr. Liang Zheng (ANU)

### June 2018 September 2015

#### Automatic Visual Classification of Clinical Skin Disease Images, NKU, China

- > Collect a clinical skin disease images dataset SD-198 and evaluate the performance of different kinds of visual features on clinical skin diseases
- > Design medical representation for skin lesion recognition based on the dermatologist criteria to make the representation consistent with the observation of doctor and to improve the recognition results Supervisor: Prof. Jufeng Yang (NKU) Prof. Paul Rosin (Cardiff University)

December 2018 September 2016

#### Learning from Web Data for Object Recognition, NKU, China

- > Propose a progressive filtering approach and multi-label correction strategy
- > Design a framework to undo the dataset bias between web and standard datasets based on domain adaption (feature-level) and unsupervised object detection (image-level)

Supervisor: Prof. Jufeng Yang (NKU) Prof. Mingming Cheng (NKU) Yu-Kun Lai (Cardiff University) Dr. Liang Zheng (ANU)





> Python, Matlab, C++, Linux

> PyTorch> LaTex, Photoshop, Unity



## PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Reviewer Organizer language CVPR, ECCV, ICCV, NeurIPS, ICLR, ICML, AAAI, IJCAI, TPAMI, TIP and PR 2nd Workshop on Vision Datasets Understanding, CVPR 2023