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# Tong Zhang

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# **Education Background**

Southern University of Science and Technology (SUSTech)

Bachelor of Computer Science and Engineering, GPA: 3.65/4

University of California Irvine (UCI)

Semester Exchange, GPA: 3.62/4

University of California Irvine (UCI)

MS, Computer Engineering, GPA: ongoing

Shenzhen, China

Sep. 2019 - June 2023

Irvine, USA

*June* 2022 - *June* 2023

Irvine, USA

June 2023 - June 2024

## **Academic Experience**

#### Human-Readable SVG Generation for Simple Images with Vision Language Models

**UIUC** 

Assistant Prof. Haohan Wang

June 2023 - Nov. 2023

PyTorch

- proposed S<sup>2</sup>VG<sup>2</sup>, the first method combined with a vision language model for SVG generation
- introduced a specialized dataset named SVG-SHAPE, designed for evaluating SVG generation methods and reasoning of LLMs
- demonstrated state-of-the-art performance in SVG reasoning of LLMs and vision metrics (Submitted to CVPR2024)

## One-shot Controllable Head Avatar with Vertex-feature Transformer

UCI

Prof. Xiaohui Xie

Apr. 2023 - June 2023

PyTorch

- proposed CVTHead, a one-shot controllable head avatar framework, which is the first work that performs point-based neural rendering from a monocular face image.
- evaluated our method in comparison to other methods for cross-identity reenactment
- demonstrated state-of-the-art approaches on VoxCeleb1 and VoxCeleb2, while additionally improving efficiency (Accepted by WACV2024)

# Trajectory Prediction and Driving Video Caption

AIR, Tsinghua University

Assistant Prof. Hao Zhao

NumPy, PyTorch

- predicted trajectory on an new interactive motion dataset through AgentFormer and Trajectron++ • trained a novel end-to-end transformer generating description and explanation of driving video
- demonstrated state-of-the-art performance in driving video captioning (Accepted by ICRA 2023)

#### Lightweight OCR Models Support for OpenCV **OpenCV**

Google Summer of Code 2022

May 2022 - Sep. 2022

May 2022 - Sep. 2022

PyTorch, ONNX, C++

- implemented the detection part of PP-OCRv2 model in OpenCV Zoo by ONNX
- implemented high level C++ API of PP-OCRv2 model in OpenCV
- implemented evaluation metrics of text detection (AP, Recall, Precision, Hmean) in OpenCV Zoo

#### **Publications**

Tong Zhang, Haoyang Liu, Peiyan Zhang, Yuxuan Cheng and Haohan Wang, "Beyond Pixels: Exploring Human-Readable SVG Generation for Simple Images with Vision Language Models", Submitted to The IEEE / CVF Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition Conference (CVPR), 2024

Haoyu Ma, Tong Zhang, Shanlin Sun, Xiangyi Yan, Kun Han and Xiaohui Xie, "CVTHead: One-shot Controllable Head Avatar with Vertex-feature Transformer", Accepted by IEEE/CVF Winter Conference on Applications of Computer Vision (WACV), 2024

Bu Jin, Xinyu Liu, Yupeng Zheng, Pengfei Li, Hao Zhao, Tong Zhang, Yuhang Zheng, Guyue Zhou and Jingjing Liu, "ADAPT: Action-aware Driving Caption Transformer", Accepted by IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA), 2023