

# TIAN CAO

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## CONTACT INFORMATION

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## RESEARCH INTERESTS

Medical Image Analysis, Computer Vision, Machine Learning

## EDUCATION

UNIVERSITY of NORTH CAROLINA at CHAPEL HILL, Chapel Hill, NC, USA	since 08/2010
Ph.D. candidate in Computer Science	
SICHUAN UNIVERSITY, Chengdu, Sichuan, China	09/2007-05/2010
Master of Science in Computer Science	
SICHUAN UNIVERSITY, Chengdu, Sichuan, China	09/2003-05/2007
Bachelor of Engineering in Computer Science	

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

<b>Registration for Correlative Microscopy using Sparse Representation</b>	2011-present
<i>Research Assistant</i> at UNC Chapel Hill	Advisor: Marc Niethammer
Developed a multi-modal registration algorithm. Learning a multi-modal dictionary under a sparse representation model, and applied the learned dictionary to simplify the multi-modal registration problem to a mono-modal one. Applied the algorithm to Correlative Microscope images.	
<b>Energy based Crowd Motion Analysis</b>	2009-2010
<i>Research Assistant</i> at SIAT-Chinese Academy of Sciences	Advisor: Yangsheng Xu
Developed an energy based crowd motion analysis algorithm based on mutual information, and applied this algorithm to detect the crowd abnormal behaviors.	
<b>Super Resolution and Anisotropic Diffusion for Ultrasound Speckle Reduction</b>	2009
<i>Research Assistant</i> at Sichuan University	Advisor: Dong C. Liu
Developed a fast and robust super-resolution method for intima reconstruction in medical ultrasound imaging, and applied anisotropic diffusion to reduce speckle with edge enhancement during the image reconstruction.	

## INDUSTRY EXPERIENCE

<b>Research Intern, Siemens Corporate Research</b>	05/2012-08/2012
Princeton, NJ, USA	Supervisor: Peng Wang
Developed and implemented a needle detection method for ultrasound images. Incorporated with different features and hough transform to vote the needle segment.	

## CONFERENCE TALK

<b>Workshop on Biomedical Image Registration</b>	07/2012
Vanderbilt University, Nashville, TN, USA	
Topic: Registration for Correlative Microscopy using Image Analogies	

## PUBLICATIONS

- [1]. **Tian Cao**, Christopher Zach, Marc Niethammer et al., "Registration for Correlative Microscopy using Image Analogies", *Fifth Workshop on Biomedical Image Registration (WBIR 2012)*, 2012. **Oral Presentation.**
- [2]. Bo Wang, **Tian Cao**, Yuguo Dai, Dong C. Liu, "Ultrasound Speckle Reduction via Super Resolution and Nonlinear Diffusion", *the 9th Asian Conference on Computer Vision (ACCV 2009)*, 2009.
- [3]. **Tian Cao**, Bo Wang, Dong C. Liu, "Optimized GPU Framework of Semi-implicit AOS Scheme

Based Speckle Reducing Nonlinear Diusion”, *proceedings of SPIE Medical Imaging, 2009, Vol. 7259, 2009.*

[4].**Tian Cao**, Chaowei Tan, Dong C. Liu, “Adaptive Curve Region based Motion Estimation and Motion Visualization of Cardiac Ultrasound Imaging”, *the 3rd International Conference on Bioinformatics and Biomedical Engineering (ICBBE 2009), Vol. 3, pp. 453-457, 2009.*

[5].**Tian Cao**, Xinyu Wu, Jinnian Guo, Shiqi Yu, Yangsheng Xu, “Abnormal Crowd Motion Analysis”, *IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Biomimetics (ROBIO 2009), 2009.*

AWARDS	Guanghua Scholarship.	2010
	Graduate Student Fellowship, Sichuan University.	2009
	Student Innovation Award (top 3%), Sichuan University.	2006
	1st prize of China Undergraduate Mathematical Contest in Modeling (CUMCM).	2006

PROFESSIONAL SKILLS	C/C++, Java, Python, Matlab, Windows, Linux, MacOS X
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