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# **EDUCATION**

# School of Art and Design, Guilin University of Electronic Technology, China

Sep 2019 - Jun 2021

Study in Digital Media Technology, GPA 83.1, rank 6 out of 61

School of Computer and Information Security, Guilin University of Electronic Technology, China Sept 2021 - Present B.E. in Computer Science and Technology, GPA 86.1, rank 28 out of 309 (9%)

### **RESEARCH & PUBLICATIONS**

#### **Local Spatial Awareness Convolution for Light Weight Image Segmentation**

Sep 2022 - Jun 2023

Advisor: Prof. Zetao Jiang, Guilin University of Electronic Technology

- Manuscript: LightSeg: Local Spatial Perception Convolution for Real-Time Semantic Segmentation at Applied Sciences
  - Developed 'LightSeg', an innovative and compact model for real-time semantic segmentation
  - Designed and built 'LSPConv', a module aimed at efficient feature extraction with related structures
  - Proposed a hierarchical feature decoding and fusion module for image segmentation
  - Applied model onto edge computing device (NVIDIA Jetson Series) and achieved performance improvements

# **High-Precision Multi-scale Image Segmentation**

Nov 2021 - July 2022

Advisor: Prof. Zetao Jiang, Guilin University of Electronic Technology

- Manuscript: STDC-MA network for semantic segmentation at IET Image Processing
  - Conducted ablation studies on multiscale feature aggregation and observations
  - Created a feature alignment module to correct pixel offsets between high-level and low-level features
  - Designed a hierarchical multiscale attention mechanism to reveal interconnections among attention regions.

**Bi-Boundary Attention for Duo-Branch Segmentation** | Guilin University of Electronic Technology Mar 2023 - Present

- > Conducted a comprehensive literature review on the most recent innovations in the attention mechanism
- > Investigated the impact of explicit edge features on spatial-wise attention and feature fusion
- Proposed a novel composite attention module to facilitate feature fusion across different network branches

Using frequency attention attacking target detectors | Guilin University of Electronic Technology Jan 2022 - Oct 2022 Advisor: Prof. Zetao Jiang, Guilin University of Electronic Technology

- Manuscript: Using Frequency Attention to Make Adversarial Patch Powerful Against Person Detector at IEEE Access
  - Pioneered a technique incorporating frequency domain attention to enhance adversarial patch attack capabilities
  - Devised a frequency-domain attention module tailored for patch generation
  - Improved patch robustness against adversarial attacks using JPEG compression technique

# PROJECT EXPERIENCES

# AI assisted driving information and security system | Team Leader

Feb 2022 - Present

- Responsible for initiating and managing the project, designing both online and offline inference framework
- Training and deploying semantic segmentation model for drivable area detection
- > Designing a software level overclocking strategy to optimize the response latency of sensors and the control system

# **NEETBOX** | Maintainer

Feb 2022 - Present

An essential tool for logging/debugging/tracing/managing/facilitating deep learning model training

- > Logging and tracing based on decorators, integrated server and frontend for remote monitoring and managing
- Drop-in complement of tensorboard for PyTorch users

#### **INTERNSHIP & WORKING**

# Guangxi Key Laboratory of Image and Graphic Intelligent Processing | Research Assistant

Jul 2022 - Aug 2022

- > Adapted convolutional neural network models onto TensorRT and Openvino platforms
- > Developed and maintained an illegal driving behavior detection service backend using dotnet
- > Trained and deployed target detection and depth estimation models for vehicle distance detection
- Responsible for comprehensive documentation, system extensibility, and technical maintenance

# NTU Business AI Lab Internship Program | Research Intern | Team Leader | Singapore

Aug 2023

- Participated in a research project on Instant Pneumonia Classification
- Achieved unconscious visualization of lesion location via attention accumulated on pixel gradients
- Responsible for system effect demonstration and algorithm explanation for the final presentation
- Recognized as the only Winner Group of the research project

### **LEADERSHIP AND ACTIVITIES**

Student Association of Science and Technology | School of Computer Science | Vice President

Sep 2021 - Sep 2022

- ➤ Led the adjustment of training plans for various learning and development directions
- Launched a computer vision community for beginners named <u>ml.akasaki</u> and maintained related <u>blogs</u>
- > Drafted new association policies and coordinated discussions to finalize the documents
- Managed and chaired weekly meetings to handle administrative matters and feedback from members

Laboratory of Cloud and IoT | Guilin University of Electronic Technology | Project Leader

Jun 2022 - Present

- Recruited 5 members from different majors to maintain a project.
- Maintaining in an intelligent driving and auxiliary security project
  - Responsible for fundamental construction of edge computing and control system software
  - Developed interaction strategies between sensors and inference services
  - Proposed system optimization for the project with dynamic inference pipeline

## AWARD AND HONORS

- National Second Prize in the 2020 <u>China Collegiate Computing Contest Artificial Intelligence Innovation Contest</u> (8 out of 2665)
- National First Prize in the 2021 China Collegiate Computing Contest Network Technology Challenge (13 out of 2000)
- National Second Prize in the 2021 <u>China Students Service Outsourcing Innovation Entrepreneurship Competition</u> (87 out of 6750)
- National Second Prize in the 2021 College Student Embedded Chip and System Design Competition (25 out of 2781)
- National Third Prize in the 2022 <u>Intel Cup Undergraduate Electronic Design Contest Embedded System Design Invitational Contest</u>
- University First Prize for 2023 Excellent Bachelor's Graduation Project (21 out of 5000)
- ➤ University Excellent Student Cadre in 2021 (50 out of all)

#### **SKILLS**

- > Solid deep learning driven computer vision and machine learning experiment skills, familiar with PyTorch APIs
- Essential writing skills for composing research manuscripts and technical reports
- ➤ Long-term user of ArchLinux, with certain operation and maintenance capabilities
- > Strong experiences using GIT for project collaboration and ability to work remotely
- > Skills of backend software development using dotnet as well as random skills for maintaining static website
- ➤ Programming Languages: Python / C# / C++ / Java / Kotlin / TypeScript / SQL
- > Standard English Tests: GRE: Verbal 153, Quantitative 163, Analytical Writing 4.0
- TOEFL: Total 100 (Reading 27, Listening 25, Speaking 21, Writing 27)