

Education

Johns Hopkins University

Baltimore, MD

Ph.D., Electrical and Computer Engineering

Aug. 2014 - Dec. 2020 (exp.)

Thesis fields: Al for medical imaging, Medical image analysis, Task-based image quality assessment

Johns Hopkins University

Baltimore, MD

M.S.E., Electrical and Computer Engineering

May 2016

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

Urbana, IL

B.S., Radiological Engineering

May. 2014

Minor: Physics

Work Experience

Johns Hopkins University

Baltimore, MD

Aug. 2014 - present

Graduate Research Assistant

- Developed a deep learning-based anthropomorphic model observer for image quality evaluation of multi-orientation, multi-slice image sets with respect to a clinically realistic 3D defect detection task
- Co-developed a deep learning-based image registration method for creating highly anatomically detailed anthropomorphic phantoms
- o Co-developed a deep learning-based segmentation method for quantitative bone SPECT
- o Developed an image database to investigate factors affecting image quality in pediatric molecular imaging
- Generated the data needed by standards bodies to develop next-generation dosing guidelines for pediatric molecular imaging

IBM Research - Almaden

San Jose, CA

Deep learning Research Intern

May 2018 - Aug. 2018

- O Developed a local image similarity evaluation algorithm for chest X-ray images using Siamese network
- o Developed a nodule detection algorithm for chest X-ray images using organ-ROI-confined attention map
- Conducted experiments for comparing classification performance by using one multi-label classifier vs. multiple binary classifiers for chest X-ray images
- Work resulted a patent filed within IBM

Brigham and Women's Hospital

Boston, MA

Deep learning Research Intern

June 2017 - Aug. 2017

- Applied U-net and FusionNet to segment cross-sections of muscle fibers in histopathology image
- Work published in a journal paper

Oak Ridge National Laboratory

Oak Ridge, TN

Software Development Intern

June 2013 - Aug. 2013

 Developed a virtual reality software that allows users to virtually visit a laboratory using Unity3D, C#, and Javascript

Journal Publications

Preprints

- 1. **Y. Li**, J. Chen, J. Brown, S.T. Treves, X. Cao, F.H. Fahey, G. Sgouros, W.E. Bolch, and E.C. Frey. "DeepAMO: A Multi-slice, Multi-view Anthropomorphic Model Observer for Visual Detection Tasks Performed on Volume Images", Under review JMI's special section: Perspectives in Human and Model Observer Performance
- 2. J. Chen, **Y. Li**, Y. Du, and E.C. Frey. "Generating Anthropomorphic Phantoms Using Fully Unsupervised Deformable Image Registration with Convolutional Neural Networks", Under review Medical Physics

3. J. Chen, Y. Li, S.P. Rowe, H.W. Chung, Y. Du, L.B. Solnes, M.A. Jacobs, and E.C. Frey. "Learning Fuzzy Clustering for SPECT Segmentation via Convolutional Neural Networks", Under review IEEE RPMS

Articles in Press.

- 1. J. Brown, B. Sexton-Stallone, **Y. Li**, E.C. Frey, S.T. Treves, F.H. Fahey, D. Plyku, X. Cao, G. Sgouros, and W.E. Bolch. "Body Morphometry Appropriate Computational Phantoms for Dose and Risk Optimization in Pediatric Renal Imaging with Tc-99m DMSA and Tc-99m MAG3", Physics in Biology and Medicine, 2020
- 2. J. Brown, B. Sexton-Stallone, **Y. Li**, E.C. Frey, S.T. Treves, F.H. Fahey, D. Plyku, X. Cao, C.H. Choi, C. Kim, G. Sgouros, J. P. Aris, and W.E. Bolch. "Dosimetric considertations of 99mTc-MDP uptake within the epiphseal plates of the long bones of pediatric patients", Physics in Biology and Medicine, 2020
- 3. Y. Li, S. O'Reilly, D. Plyku, S.T. Treves, F.H. Fahey, Y. Du, X. Cao, J. Brown, G. Sgouros, W.E. Bolch, and E.C. Frey. "Current Pediatric Administered Activity Guidelines for 99mTc-DMSA SPECT Based on Patient Weight Do Not Provide the Same Task-based Image Quality", Medical Physics, 2019
- 4. Y. Li, Z. Yang, Y. Wang, X. Cao, X. Xu. "A Neural Network Approach to Analyze Cross-sections of Muscle Fibers in pathological images," Computers in Biology and Medicine", Computers in Biology and Medicine, 2018
- 5. **Y. Li**, S. O'Reilly, D. Plyku, S.T. Treves, Y. Du, F.H. Fahey, X. Cao, A.K. Jha, G. Sgouros, W.E. Bolch, and E.C. Frey . "A Projection Image Database to Investigate Factors Affecting Image Quality in Weight-based Dosing: Application to Pediatric Renal SPECT", Physics in Medicine and Biology, 2018
- E. Ghodoosi, C. D'Alessandria, Y. Li, A. Bartel, M. Köhner, V. Höllriegl, N. Navab, M. Eiber, W. Li, E.C. Frey, S. Ziegler. "The Effect of Attenuation Map, Scatter Energy Window Width, and Volume of Interest on the Calibration Factor Calculation in Quantitative 177Lu SPECT Imaging: Simulation and Phantom Study", Medica Physica, 2018
- 7. F.H. Fahey, A.B. Goodkind, D. Plyku, K. Khamwan, S.E. O'Reilly, X. Cao, E.C. Frey, **Y. Li**, W.E. Bolch, G.Sgouros, S.T. Treves. "Dose Estimation in Pediatric Nuclear Medicine", Seminars in Nuclear Medicine, 2017

Coursework

ECE 651: Random Signal Analysis CS 476: Machine Learning

ECE 435: Digital Signal Processing **CS 485**: Probabilistic Models of the Visual Cortex

ECE 433: Medical Image Analysis ECE 434: Modern Biomedical Imaging Instrumentation and Techniques

ECE 432: Medical Imaging Systems AMS 431: Introduction to Statistics

Fellowships & Awards

Fully Funded Graduate Assistantship

Division of Medical Imaging Physics, JHU SOM

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ECE Graduate Fellowship

ECE, JHU

Outstanding Undergraduate Research Award

NPRE, UIUC

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Teaching Experiences

Medical Image Analysis

Fall 2017

2013

Teaching Assistant (Prof. Jerry Prince)

Developed the course final project that covers inter-modality registration, segmentation, and visualization.

Image Processing and Analysis

Fall 2015

Teaching Assistant (Prof. John Goutsias)

Skills

Programming Languages: C/C++, Python **Scripting Language:** Bash, Matlab, LaTeX

Libraries: Tensorflow, Keras