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I am a Research Scientist at Huawei Noah's Ark lab in London. My research lies in vision-based human behavior analysis, including crowd counting, unsupervised person re-identification, and cross-modality person re-identification. Currently, I have been focusing on blind face restoration, personalized face generation and editing via text-to-image (T2I) models. I have made publications at top conferences (CVPR, NeurIPS, AAAI) and leading journals (IEEE TIP, IEEE TIFS) in the field of computer vision and AI. ***h-index: 7, citations: 268.*** (15th of May, 2024)

EDUCATION & AWARD

- **University of Warwick** Coventry, UK
PhD. - Chancellor's schlr. - Advisor: Prof. Jungong Han. Jan. 2019 – June 2023
- **Beihang University** Beijing, China
Master of Automation Science and Electrical Engineering - First-class schlr. Sept. 2016 – Jan. 2019
- **University of Electronic Science and Technology of China (UESTC)** Beijing, China
Bachelor of Control Science and Engineering - National schlr. & Outstanding grads Sept. 2012 – July 2016

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

- Miao Y, et al., WaveFace: authentic face restoration with efficient frequency recovery. *CVPR24*.
- Miao Y, et al., Confidence-guided centroids for unsupervised person re-identification. *IEEE Transactions on Information Forensics and Security (TIFS)*, 2024.
- Miao Y, et al., On exploring pose estimation as an auxiliary learning task for visible-infrared person re-identification. *Neurocomputing*, 2023.
- Miao Y*, Lattas A*, et al., Physically-based face rendering for NIR-VIS face recognition. *NeurIPS22*.
- Huang N, Liu J, Miao Y, et al., Deep learning for visible-infrared cross-modality person re-identification: A comprehensive review. *Information Fusion*, 2022.
- Miao Y, et al., Learning transformation-invariant local descriptors with low-coupling binary codes. *IEEE Transactions on Image Processing (TIP)*, 2021.
- Miao Y, et al., Shallow feature-based dense attention network for crowd counting. *AAAI20*.
- Miao Y, et al., ST-CNN: Spatial-temporal convolutional neural network for crowd counting in videos. *Pattern Recognition Letters*, 2019.
- Wang H and Miao Y. Convolutional attention in ensemble with knowledge transferred for remote sensing image classification. *IEEE Geoscience and Remote Sensing Letters (GRSL)*, 2018.
- Wang H and Miao Y. The random boosting ensemble classifier for land-use image classification. *Multimedia Tools and Applications*, 2018.

EXPERIENCE

- **Huawei London Research Center** London, UK
Research scientist Sept. 2023 -
 - **Personalized content synthesis**: Provided users with personalized AI portraits and customized stylization.
 - **Blind face restoration (project page)**: Developed a facial image restoration framework that enhances the quality of images with unknown and complex degradations.
- **Huawei London Research Center** London, UK
Research intern Dec. 2021 - Sept. 2023
 - **Face attribute analysis**: Provided users with customized facial editing according to their facial attributes.
 - **NIR-VIS face recognition (project page)**: Developed a cross-modal face recognition system, which enables identity retrieval across near-infrared (NIR) and visible (VIS) modality.

- **Yepic AI** London, UK
Computer vision research intern *July 2021 - Nov. 2021*
 - **Head pose estimation:** Developed a framework for accurate estimating the head pose of avatars.
 - **Eye movement modeling:** Developed a framework enabling avatars to simulate realistic eye movements of input humans.
- **MOMO Tech.** Beijing, China
Deep learning research intern *Feb. 2018 - Sept. 2018*
 - **Image quality assessment:** Assessed image quality according to image resolution, lighting conditions, and artifact detection.
 - **User searching and matching:** Developed a framework to retrieve the most similar facial images to given users from a large-scale database.

SKILLS

- **Programming Languages:** Python, C/C++, C#, MATLAB
- **Deep Learning Frameworks:** PyTorch, Tensorflow
- **Computer Vision Libraries:** OpenCV, Dlib, sklearn, diffusers