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FewSOL: A Dataset for Few-Shot Object Learning in Robotic Environments
 Jishnu Jaykumar P, Yu-Wei Chao, Yu Xiang
 In International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA), 2023.

3. NeuralGrasps: Learning Implicit Representations for Grasps of Multiple Robotic Hands Ninad Khargonkar, Neil Song, Zesheng Xu, Balakrishnan Prabhakaran, Yu Xiang In Conference on Robot Learning (CoRL), 2022.

4. Few-shot Single-view 3D Reconstruction with Memory Prior Contrastive Network Zhen Xing, Yijiang Chen, Zhixin Ling, Xiangdong Zhou, Yu Xiang In European Conference on Computer Vision (ECCV), 2022.

5. TALISMAN: Targeted Active Learning for Object Detection with Rare Classes and Slices using Submodular Mutual Information

Suraj Kothawade, Saikat Ghosh, Sumit Shekar, **Yu Xiang**, Rishabh Iyer In European Conference on Computer Vision (ECCV), 2022.

6. HandoverSim: A Simulation Framework and Benchmark for Human-To-Robot Object Handovers

Yu-Wei Chao, Chris Paxton, **Yu Xiang**, Wei Yang, Balakumar Sundaralingam, Tao Chen, Adithyavairavan Murali, Maya Cakmak and Dieter Fox

In International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA), 2022.

7. Hierarchical Policies for Cluttered-Scene Grasping with Latent Plans

Lirui Wang, Xiangyun Meng, **Yu Xiang** and Dieter Fox In *IEEE Robotics and Automation Letters (RA-L)*, 2022.

8. iCaps: Iterative Category-level Object Pose and Shape Estimation

Xinke Deng*, Junyi Geng*, Timothy Bretl, **Yu Xiang** and Dieter Fox (*equal contribution) In *IEEE Robotics and Automation Letters (RA-L)*, 2022.

9. RICE: Refining Instance Masks in Cluttered Environments with Graph Neural Networks Christopher Xie, Arsalan Mousavian, Yu Xiang and Dieter Fox In Conference on Robot Learning (CoRL), 2021.

10. Goal-Auxiliary Actor-Critic for 6D Robotic Grasping with Point Clouds

Lirui Wang, Yu Xiang and Dieter Fox

In Conference on Robot Learning (CoRL), 2021.

11. DexYCB: A Benchmark for Capturing Hand Grasping of Objects

Yu-Wei Chao, Wei Yang, **Yu Xiang**, Pavlo Molchanov, Ankur Handa, Jonathan Tremblay, Yashraj Narang, Karl Van Wyk, Umar Iqbal, Stan Birchfield, Jan Kautz and Dieter Fox In *IEEE Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR)*, 2021.

12. RGB-D Local Implicit Function for Depth Completion of Transparent Objects

Luyang Zhu, Arsalan Mousavian, **Yu Xiang**, Hammad Mazhar, Jozef van Eenbergen, Shoubhik Debnath and Dieter Fox

In IEEE Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR), 2021.

13. Learning Composable Behavior Embeddings for Long-horizon Visual Navigation Xiangyun Meng, Yu Xiang and Dieter Fox

In IEEE Robotics and Automation Letters (RA-L), 2021.

14. Unseen Object Instance Segmentation for Robotic Environments

Christopher Xie, **Yu Xiang**, Arsalan Mousavian and Dieter Fox In *IEEE Transactions on Robotics (T-RO)*, 2021.

15. PoseRBPF: A Rao-Blackwellized Particle Filter for 6D Object Pose Tracking

Xinke Deng, Arsalan Mousavian, **Yu Xiang**, Fei Xia, Timothy Bretl and Dieter Fox In *IEEE Transactions on Robotics (T-RO)*, 2021.

16. Learning RGB-D Feature Embeddings for Unseen Object Instance Segmentation

Yu Xiang, Christopher Xie, Arsalan Mousavian and Dieter Fox In Conference on Robot Learning (CoRL), 2020.

17. Manipulation Trajectory Optimization with Online Grasp Synthesis and Selection

Lirui Wang, Yu Xiang and Dieter Fox

In Robotics: Science and Systems (RSS), 2020.

18. LatentFusion: End-to-End Differentiable Reconstruction and Rendering for Unseen Object Pose Estimation

Keunhong Park, Arsalan Mousavian, Yu Xiang and Dieter Fox

In IEEE Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR), 2020.

19. Scaling Local Control to Large-Scale Topological Navigation

Xiangyun Meng, Nathan Ratliff, **Yu Xiang** and Dieter Fox In *International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA)*, 2020.

20. Self-supervised 6D Object Pose Estimation for Robot Manipulation

Xinke Deng, **Yu Xiang**, Arsalan Mousavian, Clemens Eppner, Timothy Bretl and Dieter Fox In *International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA)*, 2020.

21. The Best of Both Modes: Separately Leveraging RGB and Depth for Unseen Object Instance Segmentation

Christopher Xie, **Yu Xiang**, Arsalan Mousavian and Dieter Fox In *Conference on Robot Learning (CoRL)*, 2019.

22. PoseRBPF: A Rao-Blackwellized Particle Filter for 6D Object Pose Tracking

Xinke Deng, Arsalan Mousavian, **Yu Xiang**, Fei Xia, Timothy Bretl and Dieter Fox In *Robotics: Science and Systems (RSS)*, 2019.

23. Object Discovery in Videos as Foreground Motion Clustering

Christopher Xie, Yu Xiang, Dieter Fox and Zaid Harchaoui In *IEEE Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR)*, 2019.

24. Neural Autonomous Navigation with Riemannian Motion Policy

Xiangyun Meng, Nathan Ratliff, **Yu Xiang** and Dieter Fox In *International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA)*, 2019.

25. Deep Object Pose Estimation for Semantic Robotic Grasping of Household Objects

Jonathan Tremblay, Thang To, Balakumar Sundaralingam, Yu Xiang, Dieter Fox and Stan Birchfield In Conference on Robot Learning (CoRL), 2018.

26. DeepIM: Deep Iterative Matching for 6D Pose Estimation

Yi Li, Gu Wang, Xiangyang Ji, **Yu Xiang** and Dieter Fox In European Conference on Computer Vision (ECCV), 2018 -Oral.

27. PoseCNN: A Convolutional Neural Network for 6D Object Pose Estimation in Cluttered Scenes

Yu Xiang, Tanner Schmidt, Venkatraman Narayanan and Dieter Fox In *Robotics: Science and Systems (RSS)*, 2018.

28. Recurrent Autoregressive Networks for Online Multi-Object Tracking

Kuan Fang, Yu Xiang, Xiaocheng Li and Silvio Savarese

In IEEE Winter Conference on Applications of Computer Vision (WACV), 2018.

29. DA-RNN: Semantic Mapping with Data Associated Recurrent Neural Networks Yu Xiang and Dieter Fox

In Robotics: Science and Systems (RSS), 2017.

30. Subcategory-aware Convolutional Neural Networks for Object Proposals and Detection

Yu Xiang, Wongun Choi, Yuanqing Lin and Silvio Savarese

In IEEE Winter Conference on Applications of Computer Vision (WACV), pp. 924-933, 2017.

31. Anticipating Accidents in Dashcam Videos

Fu-Hsiang Chan, Yu-Ting Chen, **Yu Xiang** and Min Sun In Asian Conference on Computer Vision (ACCV), pp. 136–153, 2016 -Oral.

32. ObjectNet3D: A Large Scale Database for 3D Object Recognition

Yu Xiang, Wonhui Kim, Wei Chen, Jingwei Ji, Christopher Choy, Hao Su, Roozbeh Mottaghi, Leonidas Guibas and Silvio Savarese

In European Conference on Computer Vision (ECCV), pp. 160–176, 2016 -Spotlight Oral.

33. Pose Estimation Errors, the Ultimate Diagnosis

Carolina Redondo-Cabrera, Roberto López-Sastre, **Yu Xiang**, Tinne Tuytelaars and Silvio Savarese In European Conference on Computer Vision (ECCV), pp. 118–134, 2016.

34. Deep Metric Learning via Lifted Structured Feature Embedding

Hyun Oh Song, **Yu Xiang**, Stefanie Jegelka and Silvio Savarese

In IEEE Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR), pp. 4004–4012, 2016 - Spotlight Oral.

35. Learning to Track: Online Multi-Object Tracking by Decision Making

Yu Xiang, Alexandre Alahi and Silvio Savarese

In International Conference on Computer Vision (ICCV), pp. 4705–4713, 2015 -Oral.

36. Data-Driven 3D Voxel Patterns for Object Category Recognition

Yu Xiang, Wongun Choi, Yuanqing Lin and Silvio Savarese

In IEEE Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR), pp. 1903–1911, 2015 - Oral.

37. A Coarse-to-Fine Model for 3D Pose Estimation and Sub-category Recognition

Roozbeh Mottaghi, Yu Xiang and Silvio Savarese

In IEEE Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR), pp. 418–426, 2015.

38. Monocular Multiview Object Tracking with 3D Aspect Parts

Yu Xiang*, Changkyu Song*, Roozbeh Mottaghi and Silvio Savarese (*equal contribution) In European Conference on Computer Vision (ECCV), pp. 220–235, 2014.

39. Beyond PASCAL: A Benchmark for 3D Object Detection in the Wild

Yu Xiang, Roozbeh Mottaghi and Silvio Savarese

In IEEE Winter Conference on Applications of Computer Vision (WACV), pp. 75–82, 2014.

40. Object Detection by 3D Aspectlets and Occlusion Reasoning

Yu Xiang and Silvio Savarese

In IEEE Workshop on 3D Representation and Recognition (3dRR), pp. 530–537, 2013.

41. Object Co-detection

Sid Yingze Bao, Yu Xiang and Silvio Savarese

In European Conference on Computer Vision (ECCV), vol. 7572, pp. 86–101, 2014.

42. Estimating the Aspect Layout of Object Categories

Yu Xiang and Silvio Savarese

In IEEE Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR), pp. 3410–3417, 2012.

43. Semantic Context Modeling with Maximal Margin Conditional Random Fields for Automatic Image Annotation

Yu Xiang, Xiangdong Zhou, Zuotao Liu, Tat-Seng Chua and Chong-Wah Ngo

In IEEE Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR), pp. 3368–3375, 2010.

44. Learning Contextual Metrics for Automatic Image Annotation

Zuotao Liu, Xiangdong Zhou, Yu Xiang and Yan-Tao Zheng

In Advances in Multimedia Information Processing - PCM, vol. 6297, pp. 124–135, 2010.

45. A Revisit of Generative Model for Automatic Image Annotation using Markov Random Fields

 $\mathbf{Yu}\ \mathbf{Xiang},$ Xiangdong Zhou, Zuotao Liu, Tat-Seng Chua and Chong-Wah Ngo

In IEEE Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR), pp. 1153–1160, 2009.

46. Adaptive Model for Web Image Semantic Automatic Image Annotation

Hongtao Xu, Xiangdong Zhou, Yu Xiang and Baile Shi

In *Journal of Software (in Chinese)*, vol. 21, no. 9, pp. 2183–2195, 2009.

47. Exploiting Flickr's Related Tags for Semantic Annotation of Web Images

Hongtao Xu, Xiangdong Zhou, Yu Xiang and Baile Shi

In ACM International Conference on Image and Video Retrieval (CIVR), no. 46, 2009.

48. Automatic Web Image Annotation via Web-Scale Image Semantic Space Learning

Hongtao Xu, Xiangdong Zhou, Lan Lin, Yu Xiang and Baile Shi

In Advances in Data and Web Management, vol. 5446, pp. 211–222, 2009.

Teaching

CS 6301 Special Topics in Computer Science: Introduction to Robot Manipulation and Navigation, University of Texas at Dallas, Dallas, Texas, USA Fall 2023

CS 6384 Computer Vision, University of Texas at Dallas, Dallas, Texas, USA

Spring 2023

	CS 6301 Special Topics in Computer Science: Introduction to Robot Navigation, University of Texas at Dallas, Dallas, Texas, USA	Manipulation and Fall 2022
	CS 6384 Computer Vision, University of Texas at Dallas, Dallas, Texas, USA	Spring 2022
	CS 6334 Virtual Reality, University of Texas at Dallas, Dallas, Texas, USA	Fall 2021
	Artificial Intelligence , University of Washington, Seattle, Washington, USA Guest Lectures for Prof. Dieter Fox	2017
	Computer Vision, University of Washington, Seattle, Washington, USA Guest Lecture for Prof. Linda Shapiro	2017
	Computer Vision, Stanford University, Stanford, California, USA Guest Lectures for Prof. Silvio Savarese	2016
	The C Programming Language, Fudan University, Shanghai, China Teaching Assistant	Sep 2009 – Jan 2010
STUDENT MENTORSHIP	Current PhD Students: Jikai Wang, PhD Student, University of Texas at Dallas Shivvrat Arya, PhD Student, University of Texas at Dallas Ninad Arun Khargonkar, PhD Student, University of Texas at Dallas Jishnu Jaykumar Padalunkal, PhD Student, University of Texas at Dallas Qifan Zhang, PhD Student, University of Texas at Dallas Yangxiao Lu, PhD Student, University of Texas at Dallas Sai Haneesh Allu, PhD Student, University of Texas at Dallas Luis Felipe Casas Murillo, PhD Student, University of Texas at Dallas Current Undergraduate Students: Jesse Musa, Undergraduate Student, University of Texas at Dallas Nikhil Narvekar, Undergraduate Student, University of Texas at Dallas Shaurya Dwivedi, Undergraduate Student, University of Texas at Dallas Hamzah Dweik, Undergraduate Student, University of Texas at Dallas Cole Salvato, Undergraduate Student, University of Texas at Dallas Zesheng Xu, Undergraduate Student, University of Texas at Dallas	Aug 2021 – present Aug 2021 – present Nov 2021 – present Aug 2021 – present Jan 2022 – present May 2022 – present Aug 2022 – present Aug 2023 – present Aug 2023 – present Jan 2023 – present Aug 2021 – present Aug 2021 – present Aug 2021 – present
	Abhishek Rajendra Prasad, Master Student, UT Dallas \rightarrow Goldman Sachs Priyanshi Shah, Master Student, UT Dallas \rightarrow Goldman Sachs Willie Chalmers III, Undergraduate Student, University of Texas at Dallas Ma	May 2022 – present ag 2021 – August 2023 ag 2021 – August 2023 ab 2022 – August 2023 ay 2022 – August 2023 ay 2021 – August 2023 Jan 2022 – Dec 2022 Sep 2017 – Jul 2021 2021 2020 2018, 2019 2019 2019 2019
	Fei Xia, PhD Student, Stanford University Rui Wang, PhD Student, TUM Christopher Xie, PhD Student, University of Washington	2018 2018 2018

Awards and Honors	Sony Research Award	2022
	One of the 12 Best Papers in ECCV Selected for a IJCV Special Issue	2018
	University of Washington CSE Postdoc Research Award	2016
	ICCV Doctoral Consortium Travel Award	2015
	Outstanding Master's Thesis Award of Shanghai	2012

Professional Service

Associate Editor

IEEE Robotics and Automation Letters (RA-L)
 International Conference on Intelligent Robots and Systems (IROS)
 Oct 2021 – present
 2022, 2023

Area Chair

• Conference on Robot Learning (CoRL)

2022, 2023

Program Chair

- The Workshop for Neural Representation Learning for Robot Manipulation at CoRL, 2023
- The Visual Learning and Reasoning for Robotics Workshop at RSS, 2021
- The 3D Vision and Robotics Workshop at CVPR, 2021
- The Visual Learning and Reasoning for Robotic Manipulation Workshop at RSS, 2020
- 5th International IEEE Workshop on 3D Representation and Recognition at ICCV, 2015

Program Committee

• 4th International IEEE Workshop on 3D Representation and Recognition at ICCV, 2013

Tutorial Organizer

3D Object Geometry from Single Image Tutorial at International Conference on 3D Vision, 2016

Journal Reviewer

- International Journal of Robotics Research (IJRR)
- IEEE Robotics and Automation Letters (RA-L)
- IEEE Transactions on Pattern Analysis and Machine Intelligence (TPAMI)
- International Journal of Computer Vision (IJCV)
- Computer Vision and Image Understanding (CVIU)
- IEEE Transactions on Circuits and Systems for Video Technology (TCSVT)
- IEEE Transactions on Multimedia (TMM)
- IEEE Transactions on Signal Processing (TSP)

Conference Reviewer

- Robotics: Science and Systems Conference (RSS)
- IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA)
- International Conference on Intelligent Robots and Systems (IROS)
- IEEE International Conference on Robot and Human Interactive Communication (ROMAN)
- IEEE Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR)
- International Conference on Computer Vision (ICCV)
- European Conference on Computer Vision (ECCV)
- Asian Conference on Computer Vision (ACCV)
- British Machine Vision Conference (BMVC)
- International Conference on 3D Vision (3DV)
- Neural Information Processing Systems (NIPS)

Talks

1. Object-Centric Perception for Robot Manipulation

Texas Regional Robotics Symposium, Rice University, 4/14/2023.

2. Segmenting Unseen Objects for Robotic Grasping

Guest Lecture, University of Minnesota, Twin Cities (Online), 3/16/2023.

3. Closed-loop 6D Robotic Grasping of Unseen Objects

Texas Regional Robotics Symposium, UT Austin, 4/29/2022.

4. 6D Robotic Grasping of Unseen Objects

Electronics and Telecommunications Research Institute, South Korea, 8/19/2021.

5. Perceive, Plan, Act and Learn: Towards Intelligent Robots in Human Environments UNC, 2/24/2021; UT Dallas, 3/16/2021.

- 6. Learning RGB-D Feature Embeddings for Unseen Object Instance Segmentation In NVIDIA Research, Seattle, Washington, 10/12/2020.
- 7. PoseRBPF: A Rao-Blackwellized Particle Filter for 6D Object Pose Tracking In University of Washington, Seattle, Washington, 9/27/2019.
- 8. Object Perception for Robot Manipulation In Toyota Research Institute, Cambridge, Massachusetts, 7/12/2019.
- 9. PoseCNN: A Convolutional Neural Network for 6D Object Pose Estimation in Cluttered Scenes

In Robotics: Science and Systems (RSS), CMU, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, 6/26/2018.

- 10. Perceiving the 3D World from Images and Videos In Nvidia Research, Redmond, Washington, 11/07/2017; University of Michigan, 3/15/2018.
- 3D Object Recognition and Scene Understanding from RGB-D Videos
 In GRASP Lab at University of Pennsylvania, 10/11/2017; Microsoft Research, Redmond, 10/17/2017;
 Vision Lab at Stanford University, 10/23/2017.
- 3D Object Recognition and Scene Understanding
 In Mitsubishi Electric Research Laboratories, Boston, Massachusetts, 7/14/2017.
- 13. **DA-RNN: Semantic Mapping with Data Associated Recurrent Neural Networks** In Robotics: Science and Systems, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Massachusetts, 7/13/2017.
- 14. Subcategory-aware Convolutional Neural Networks for Object Proposals and Detection In IEEE Winter Conference on Applications of Computer Vision, Santa Rosa, California, 3/29/2017.
- 15. Tutorial on 3D Object Recognition
 In International Conference on 3D Vision, Stanford University, 10/28/2016.
- 16. 3D Object Representations for Recognition In Carnegie Mellon University, 3/28/2016; University of Toronto, 4/4/2016; Massachusetts Institute of Technology, 4/12/2016; University of California, Berkeley, 4/21/2016; University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, 5/5/2016; University of Washington, 5/31/2016.
- 17. **3D Object Detection and Pose Estimation**In the 1st International Workshop on Recovering 6D Object Pose in conjunction with ICCV, Santiago, Chile, 12/17/2015.
- 18. Learning to Track: Online Multi-Object Tracking by Decision Making In International Conference on Computer Vision, Santiago, Chile, 12/16/2015.
- 19. Data-Driven 3D Voxel Patterns for Object Category Recognition
 In IEEE Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition, Boston, Massachusetts, 06/08/2015.
- 20. Monocular Multiview Object Tracking with 3D Aspect Parts
 In the 1st Stanford-SNU Workshop on Automated Driving, Stanford University, 02/24/2015.
- 21. Beyond PASCAL: A Benchmark for 3D Object Detection in the Wild In IEEE Winter Conference on Applications of Computer Vision, Steamboat Springs, Colorado, 03/24/2014.
- 22. Object Detection by 3D Aspectlets and Occlusion Reasoning
 In the 4th International IEEE Workshop on 3D Representation and Recognition in conjunction with ICCV, Sydney, Australia, 12/08/2013.
- 23. Estimating the Aspect Layout of Object Categories
 In Midwest Vision Workshop, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, 09/21/2012.
- Funding 1. Sony Research Award, PI, 09/01/2023 08/31/2024
 - 2. Perceptually-enabled Task Guidance, DARPA, co-PI, 10/01/2021 09/30/2025

SKILLS AND Programming Languages: Python, C/C++, CUDA
Libraries: PyTorch, Tensorflow, OpenCV, OpenGL, ROS
Operating Systems: Linux, Windows and Mac OS X
Languages: English, Chinese