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SENIOR DEEP LEARNING ENGINEER AT NVIDIA · EXPERT IN COMPUTER VISION AND MACHINE LEARNING

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## Summary

Current Senior Deep Learning Engineer at NVIDIA · Previous Applied Scientist at Amazon ('19-'21) · Ph.D. in Electrical & Computer Engineering at UW · 6 filed U.S. patents and 25 publications · Tech Lead of Metropolis Multi-Camera Tracking AI Workflow featured in NVIDIA GTC'24 Keynote by Jensen Huang · Associate Editor of T-CSVT · Organizing Committee Lead of AI City Challenges at CVPR · Winning team's leader at the 2nd AI City Challenge in CVPR'18 · Finalist in 2 Best Student Paper Awards at ICPR'16 · No immigration sponsorship needed

## Education

### University of Washington (UW)

PH.D. IN ELECTRICAL & COMPUTER ENGINEERING

Seattle, WA, USA

Sep. 2014 - Jun. 2019

- Advised by Prof. Jenq-Neng Hwang (IEEE Fellow), dissertation titled "Robust Video Object Tracking via Camera Self-Calibration"

### University of Washington (UW)

M.S. IN ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING

Seattle, WA, USA

Sep. 2014 - Mar. 2016

- GPA: 3.83/4.0

### Queen Mary University of London (QMUL)

B.S. IN TELECOMMUNICATIONS ENGINEERING WITH MANAGEMENT (JOINT PROGRAMME)

London, UK

Sep. 2010 - Jun. 2014

- First Class Honours

### Beijing University of Posts and Telecommunications (BUPT)

B.S. IN TELECOMMUNICATIONS ENGINEERING WITH MANAGEMENT (JOINT PROGRAMME)

Beijing, China

Sep. 2010 - Jun. 2014

## Work Experience

### NVIDIA

SENIOR DEEP LEARNING ENGINEER, METROPOLIS

Redmond, WA, USA

May 2021 - PRESENT

- Led development of a Multi-Camera Tracking AI Workflow featured in the **NVIDIA GTC'24 Keynote** and ranked **2/19** in the 8th AI City Challenge
- Created a 3.2M-image dataset for human-centric tasks and trained a **ReID Transformer**, improving tracking accuracy by **6-20%** on our KPIs
- Organizing the **AI City Challenges** at **CVPR** with the largest indoor synthetic dataset created by **Omniverse**, featured in an **NVIDIA blog**

### Amazon

APPLIED SCIENTIST, AMAZON ONE

Seattle, WA, USA

Jul. 2019 - May 2021

- Worked on the research team that developed and launched **Amazon One**, an identity service using people's palm for payment, entry and more
- Invented an architecture that utilized various modalities of sensor data for automated user identification and was filed for a **U.S. patent**
- Invented a mechanism to update identification data in automated user-identification systems that was also filed for a **U.S. patent**

### NVIDIA

INTELLIGENT VIDEO ANALYTICS INTERN

Santa Clara, CA, USA

Jun. 2018 - Mar. 2019

- Created **CityFlow**, a city-scale benchmark for multi-target multi-camera (MTMC) vehicle tracking and ReID, accepted to **CVPR'19 (Oral)**
- Proposed **PAMTRI**, a pose-aware multi-task network for vehicle ReID using highly randomized synthetic data, accepted to **ICCV'19**

### University of Washington

RESEARCH ASSISTANT

Seattle, WA, USA

Jun. 2015 - Jun. 2018

- Built clustering-based vehicle tracking and camera self-calibration that won in **Track 1** of the **2nd AI City Challenge Workshop** in **CVPR'18**
- Developed multi-camera tracking from visual and semantic features that won in **Track 3** of the **2nd AI City Challenge Workshop** in **CVPR'18**
- Proposed evolutionary camera self-calibration from tracking, a finalist of **2 Best Student Paper Awards** at **ICPR'16** (funded by Prism Skylabs)

## Professional Services

### IEEE Transactions on Circuits and Systems for Video Technology (T-CSVT)

ASSOCIATE EDITOR

Remote

Jan. 2021 - PRESENT

### AI City Challenge Workshops at IEEE Conf. Comput. Vis. Pattern Recognit. (CVPR)

ORGANIZING COMMITTEE LEAD

Remote

Jun. 2020 - PRESENT

# Selected Publications

## JOURNAL ARTICLES

WSSGCN: Wide sub-stage graph convolutional networks  
Chao Wang, Zheng Tang, Hailu Xu  
*Neurocomputing* 602 (2024) p. 128273. 2024

The staged knowledge distillation in video classification: Harmonizing student progress by a complementary weakly supervised framework  
Chao Wang, Zheng Tang  
*T-CSVT* (2023). 2023

## CONFERENCE PAPERS

The 8th AI City Challenge  
Shuo Wang, David C. Anastasiu, Zheng Tang, Ming-Ching Chang, Yue Yao, Liang Zheng, Mohammed Shaiqur Rahman, Meenakshi S. Arya, Anuj Sharma, Pranamesh Chakraborty, Sanjita Prajapati, Quan Kong, Norimasa Kobori, Munkhjargal Gochoo, Munkh-Erdene Otgonbold, Ganzorig Batnasan, Fady Alnajjar, Ping-Yang Chen, Jun-Wei Hsieh, Xunlei Wu, Sameer Satish Pusegaonkar, Yizhou Wang, Sujit Biswas, Rama Chellappa  
*Proc. CVPR Workshops*, pp. 7261–7272, 2024, Seattle, WA, USA

UAV first-person viewers are radiance field learners  
Liqi Yan, Qifan Wang, Junhan Zhao, Qiang Guan, Zheng Tang, Jianhui Zhang, Dongfang Liu  
*Proc. ECCV (accepted)*, 2024, Milan, Italy

PAMTRI: Pose-aware multi-task learning for vehicle re-identification using highly randomized synthetic data  
Zheng Tang, Milind Naphade, Stan Birchfield, Jonathan Tremblay, William Hodge, Ratnesh Kumar, Shuo Wang, Xiaodong Yang  
*Proc. ICCV*, pp. 211–220, 2019, Seoul, Korea

CityFlow: A city-scale benchmark for multi-target multi-camera vehicle tracking and re-identification  
Zheng Tang, Milind Naphade, Ming-Yu Liu, Xiaodong Yang, Stan Birchfield, Shuo Wang, Ratnesh Kumar, David C. Anastasiu, Jenq-Neng Hwang  
*Proc. CVPR*, pp. 8797–8806, 2019, Long Beach, CA, USA

Camera self-calibration from tracking of moving persons  
Zheng Tang, Yen-Shuo Lin, Kuan-Hui Lee, Jenq-Neng Hwang, Jen-Hui Chuang, Zhijun Fang  
*Proc. ICPR*, pp. 260–265, 2016, Cancún, México

# Selected Patents

Multi-sensor subject tracking for monitored environments for real-time and near-real-time systems and applications  
Zheng Tang, Sujit Biswas, Ganapathy Seshadri Cadungude Aiyer, Shuo Wang, Akshay Agrawal, Sameer Satish Pusegaonkar  
U.S. Patent Application No. 18/605,121 (Pending), 2024

Multi-subject multi-camera tracking for high-density environments  
Zheng Tang, Sujit Biswas, Ganapathy Seshadri Cadungude Aiyer, Shuo Wang, Akshay Agrawal, Sameer Satish Pusegaonkar  
U.S. Patent Application No. 18/618,974 (Pending), 2024

3D multi-camera BEV perception system for retail and warehouse environments  
Zheng Tang, Yizhou Wang, Ibrahim Orcun Cetintas, Sameer Satish Pusegaonkar, Ganapathy Seshadri Cadungude Aiyer, Shuo Wang, Akshay Agrawal, Sujit Biswas, Tim Meinhardt, Laura Leal-Taixe  
U.S. Patent Application No. 63/566,549 (Pending), 2024

Utilizing sensor data for automated user identification  
Zheng Tang, Prithviraj Banerjee, Manoj Aggarwal, Gerard Medioni  
U.S. Patent Application No. 17/209,845 (Pending), 2021

Updating identification data in automated user-identification systems  
Zheng Tang, Lior Zamir, Prithviraj Banerjee, Manoj Aggarwal, Gerard Medioni, Dilip Kumar  
U.S. Patent Application No. 17/361,811 (Pending), 2021

# Honors & Awards

2022	<b>T-CSVT Best Associate Editor Award</b> , IEEE Circuits and Systems Society (CASS)	Remote
2019	<b>People’s Choice Award</b> , Code for the Kingdom (C4TK) Hackathon	Seattle, WA, USA
2018	<b>Winner of Track 1 (Traffic Flow Analysis)</b> , 2nd AI City Challenge Workshop in CVPR’18	Salt Lake City, UT, USA
2018	<b>Winner of Track 3 (Multi-camera Vehicle Detection &amp; ReID)</b> , 2nd AI City Challenge Workshop in CVPR’18	Salt Lake City, UT, USA
2016	<b>Finalist in IBM &amp; Intel Best Track 3 Student Paper Awards</b> , ICPR’16	Cancún, México

# Skills

<b>Programming</b>	Python (expert), C/C++ (proficient), Java (proficient), JavaScript (proficient), MATLAB (expert), $\LaTeX$ (expert)
<b>Frameworks &amp; Tools</b>	PyTorch (expert), TensorFlow (expert), Git (expert), Docker (expert), OpenCV (expert), Kafka (expert), Unity (proficient)
<b>Languages</b>	English (proficient), Mandarin (native), Cantonese (native), Spanish (elementary)