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EDUCATION

The University of Maryland - College Park (UMD)

Sep. 2013 - present

• PhD candidate Dept. of Computer Science

• Adviser: Prof. David W. Jacobs

• Area of Study: Computer Vision

The University of Hong Kong (HKU)

Sep. 2010 - Nov. 2012

• M.Phil. Dept. of Computer Science

• Adviser: Dr. Kwan-Yee K. Wong

• Area of Study: Computer Vision

The University of Science and Technology of China (USTC)

Sep. 2006 - Jun. 2010

• B.Eng Dept. of Electronic Engineering and Information Science

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Selected

Projects

Computer Vision: lighting estimation from faces and natural indoor scene; network compression.

Compressing deep neural network

- Applied group sparsity and low-rank constraints while training deep network.
- Proposed to use Forward-Backward Splitting method for training deep network with constraints.
- Compressed 70% parameters of AlexNet without performance loss.

Intrinsic image decomposition of a natural scene

- First work to fully decompose an RGB image of a natural scene into normal, albedo and lighting.
- Proposed a novel global and local spherical harmonics model to represent lighting.
- Proposed a novel non-negative constraint to achieve physically meaningful lighting.
- Achieved state-of-the-art results for albedo estimation.

Lighting estimation from faces

- Proposed to use synthetic data to help regress lighting from real faces.
- Closing the domain gap between synthetic data and real data using adversarial loss.
- Proposed a novel evaluation metric for lighting estimation from faces.

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

- 1. **Hao Zhou***, Jin Sun*, Yaser Yacoob, David W Jacobs. Label Denoising Adversarial Network (LDAN) for Inverse Lighting of Face Images. IEEE *International Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR)*, 2018. (spotlight, * means equal contribution)
- 2. Hui Ding, **Hao Zhou**, Shaohua Kevin Zhou, Rama Chellappa. A Deep Cascade Network for Unaligned Face Attribute Classification. Association for the Advancement of Artificial Intelligence (AAAI), 2018. (spotlight)
- 3. Soumyadip Sengupta, **Hao Zhou**, Walter Forkel, Ronen Basri, Tom Goldstein, David W Jacobs. Solving Uncalibrated Photometric Stereo Using Fewer Images by Jointly Optimizing Low-rank Matrix Completion and Integrability. *Journal of Mathematical Imaging and Vision (JMIV)*, 2018.
- 4. **Hao Zhou**, Jose M. Alvarez, Fatih Porikli. Less is More: Towards Compact CNNs. *European Conference on Computer Vision (ECCV)*, 2016. (Spotlight)
- 5. **Hao Zhou**, Torsten Sattle, David W. Jacobs. Evaluating Local Features for Day-Night Matching. European Conference on Computer Vision workshop (ECCVW), 2016.
- 6. **Hao Zhou**, Zhanghui Kuang, Kwan-Yee K. Wong. Markov Weight Fields for Face Sketch Synthesis. IEEE International Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR), 2012.
- 7. Zhanghui Kuang, Dirk Schnieders, **Hao Zhou**, Kwan-Yee K. Wong, Yizhou Yu, Bo Peng. Learning Image-Specific Parameters for Interactive Segmentation. IEEE International Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR), 2012.

Research
EXPERIENCE

Intern at Adobe Research

May - Aug. 2018

• Mentor: Sunil Hadap

• Topic: Deep portrait relighting.

Intern at Media Analytics group NEC Labs America

May - Aug. 2017

- Mentor: Quoc-Huy Tran and Manmohan Chandraker
- Topic: Learning affordance correspondence through human object interaction.

Intern at National ICT (NICTA) Australia

Jul. - Oct. 2015

- Mentor: Jose M. Alvarez and Fatih Porikli
- Topic: Compressing deep neural networks.

Research Assistant at The University of Hong Kong

Nov. 2012 - Jul. 2013

- Adviser: Dr. Kwan-Yee K. Wong
- Topic: Face sketch synthesis.

Referee

Journal: IEEE Transactions on Signal Processing. IEEE Transactions on Image Porcessing. **conference:** ICCV, CVPR, WACV, ACCV

TEACHING

Teaching Assistant, Dept. of Computer Science, UMD

• CMSC733 Computer Processing of Pictorial Information (Prof. David W. Jacobs) Fall 2014

• CMSC426 Image Processing (Prof. David W. Jacobs)

Spring 2014

• CMSC131 Object-Oriented Programming I (Dr. Fawzi Emad and Dr. Evan Golub). Fall 2013

Teaching Assistant, Dept. of Computer Science, HKU

• CSIS0259 Principles of Programming Languages (Dr. C.F. Chong). Fall 2011

• CSIS0234A Computer and Communication Networks (Dr. T.C. Tam).

Spring 2011

2013, 2014

Honors & Awards

Dean's Fellowship, Dept. of CS, UMD Guanghua Scholarship Weining Gong Scholarship Outstanding Student Scholarship of USTC, Grade 1

 $2009 \\ 2008$

2007

SKILLS

Main Developing Language: Python. Other Languages: Matlab, C/C++.

Tools: OpenCV, Pytorch.