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EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

Huazhong University of Science and Technology

Wuhan, China

B.E., Department of Artificial Intelligence and Automation

09/2017-06/2021

Huazhong University of Science and Technology

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M.S., Department of Artificial Intelligence and Automation

Advisor: Xiang Xiang 09/2021-06/2024

Boston, MA

Ph.D., Department of Computer Science

09/2024-Present

PUBLICATIONS

Boston University

• Xiang X, Wang F, **Tan Y**, et al. Imbalanced regression for intensity series of pain expression from videos by regularizing spatial-temporal face nets. Pattern Recognition Letters (PRL), 2022, 163: 152-158.

Advisor: Boging Gong

- Xiang X, Tan Y, Wan Q, et al. Coarse-to-fine incremental few-shot learning. European Conference on Computer Vision (ECCV 2022), 2022: 205-222.
- Tan Y, Xiang X, et al. Coupling Bracket Segmentation and Tooth Surface Reconstruction on 3D Dental Models. International Conference on Medical Image Computing and Computer Assisted Intervention (MICCAI 2023), 2023: 411-420.
- Tan Y, Xiang X, et al. Boundary-Constrained Graph Network for Tooth Segmentation on 3D Dental Surfaces. The 14th International Workshop on Machine Learning in Medical Imaging (MLMI), 2023: 94-103.
- Tan Y, Xiang X. Cross-Domain Few-Shot Incremental Learning for Point-Cloud Recognition. Winter Conference on Applications of Computer Vision (WACV 2024), 2024: 2307-2316.
- Tan Y, Zhou Q, et al. Semantically-Shifted Incremental Adapter-Tuning is A Continual ViTransformer. Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR 2024).
- Tan Y, Gong B. Position: Lifting Data for Foundation Model Unlearning. (Submission, 2025)

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Machine Unlearning in Foundation Models

09/2024-present

Vision and Graphics group, BU

Instructor: Prof. Boqing Gong

- Design realistic unlearning settings for vision-language foundation models, construct a comprehensive unlearning benchmark, and refine the evaluation metrics to further advance research on unlearning in FMs
- Develop novel machine unlearning algorithms to achieve effective and scalable unlearning while preserving model quality. Investigate different strategies to ensure the balance between unlearning effectiveness, computational efficiency, and real-world applicability

Object Recognition in Open Environments

03/2023-06/2024

HUST AIA Image & Vision Learning Lab, HUST Instructor: Prof. Xiang Xiang

- Construct training sets with the known categories, and define the unknown categories as unknown sub-classes under the same coarse granularity. Label the attributes of the dataset and build attribute classifiers
- > Identify the unknown targets based on attribute knowledge graph and category hierarchy
- > Design incremental algorithms to enable the model to continuously learn the fine-grained unknown classes

Orthodontic Assist System based on 3D dental models

03/2022-03/2023

HUST AIA Image & Vision Learning Lab&West China Hospital, Sichuan University Instructor: Prof. Xiang Xiang

- > Collected and labeled 3D dental models to build the tooth segmentation and bracket segmentation dataset
- Proposed the robust tooth segmentation method which could process 3D dental models with different morphologies. The algorithm aimed at improving the performance of boundary segmentation through several auxiliary losses
- Proposed the graph-based bracket segmentation network with residual connection and dilated knn construction which could segment brackets on 3D dental models automatically and then designed a hole-filling method to construct the 3D dental models with brackets removed

Coarse-to-Fine Few-shot Class Incremental Learning

08/2021-12/2021

HUST AIA Image & Vision Learning Lab, HUST Instructor: Prof. Xiang Xiang

- > Proposed a new setting named coarse-to-fine few-shot class-incremental learning
- Proposed a method which could evolve a generic model to both avoid catastrophic forgetting of source-blind coarse classes and prevent over-fitting the new few-shot fine-grained classes
- Theoretically analyzed why our approach can solve it well in the sense of getting more balanced performance

ACADEMIC PROJECTS

Chinese Font Generation with Diffusion Model

03/2023-06/2023

- Applied the diffusion model to the task of few-shot Chinese font generation
- > The content and style of characters were treated as conditional variables, which were fed into the diffusion model as a guide. The model then learned how to utilize these conditional variables to generate the corresponding characters

Pedestrian Attributes Recognition Competition

07/2023-08/2023

- > Adopted weighted binary cross-entropy loss to alleviate the imbalance issue in pedestrian attribute recognition
- Fine-tuned the pre-trained swin-transformer model in the augmented pedestrian attribute dataset. The pre-trained model was initially trained using a self-supervised learning method based on the DINO framework.

TEACHING ASSISTANT

Computer Vision (Spring 2023)

02/2023-06/2023

- Instructor: Prof. Xiang Xiang (School of Artificial Intelligence and Automation)
- Credit 2; Undergraduate Courses; 50 juniors

Pattern Recognition (Spring 2023)

02/2023-06/2023

- Instructor: Prof. Xiang Xiang (School of Artificial Intelligence and Automation)
- Credit 3; Graduate Courses; International Students

HONOR & AWARDS

•	Excellent New Student Award	02/2018
•	Social Responsibility Award	09/2019
•	The First Prize Scholarship, HUST	09/2021
•	Merit Student, HUST	09/2022
•	Excellent Graduate, HUST	06/2024

PERSONAL PROFICIENCY

- Communication: Mandarin (Native), English.
- Coding Languages: Python (Pytorch, Tensorflow), Matlab, C