Jiangxin Sun

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Education

Sun Yat-sen University Sep. 2020 - Jun. 2023

Aug. 2016 - Jun. 2020

M.E. IN COMPUTER SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

• Supervisors: Prof. Wei-Shi Zheng & Prof. Jian-Fang Hu

Sun Yat-sen University

B.E. IN COMPUTER SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

• GPA: 3.9/4.0

Research Interests

- My research interests lie in Computer Vision and Machine Learning. My goal is to develop perceptual systems to achieve human-level recognition capabilities and further build intelligent decision-making systems to interact with complex environments.
- Currently, my focus is on interpretable autonomous driving systems, semantic/instance segmentation prediction and human motion prediction.

Publications

JOURNAL ARTICLES

APANet: Auto-Path Aggregation for Future Instance Segmentation Prediction [LINK]
Jian-Fang Hu*, **Jiangxin Sun***, Zihang Lin, Jian-Huang Lai, Wenjun Zeng, Wei-Shi Zheng (* equal contribution)
IEEE Transactions on Pattern Analysis and Machine Intelligence (**TPAMI**), 2021

CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS

Temporal Continual Learning with Prior Compensation for Human Motion Prediction [Link] Jianwei Tang, **Jiangxin Sun**, Xiaotong Lin, Lifang Zhang, Wei-Shi Zheng, Jian-Fang Hu Advances in Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS), 2023

You Never Stop Dancing: Non-freezing Dance Generation via Bank-constrained Manifold Projection [Link]

Jiangxin Sun, Chunyu Wang, Huang Hu, Hanjiang Lai, Zhi Jin, Jian-Fang Hu

Advances in Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS), 2022

Action-guided 3D Human Motion Prediction [LINK]

Jiangxin Sun, Zihang Lin, Xintong Han, Jian-Fang Hu, Jia Xu, Wei-Shi Zheng Advances in Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS), 2021

Predictive Feature Learning for Future Segmentation Prediction [LINK]

Zihang Lin*, **Jiangxin Sun***, Jian-Fang Hu, Qizhi Yu, Jiang-Huang Lai, Wei-Shi Zheng (* equal contribution) *Proceedings of the IEEE International Conference on Computer Vision (ICCV)*, 2021

Predicting future instance segmentation with contextual pyramid convlstms [Link]

Jiangxin Sun, Jiafeng Xie, Jian-Fang Hu, Zihang Lin, Jian-Huang Lai, Wenjun Zeng, Wei-Shi Zheng Proceedings of the ACM International Conference on Multimedia (**ACM MM**), 2019

Research Experience

ETH Zurich Aug. 2023 - Present

RESEARCH ASSISTANT IN COMPUTER VISION LAB

- Advisor: Prof. Fisher Yu
- Topic: Semantic Predictive Control for Interpretable Autonomous Driving
 - Proposed a novel multimodal transformer-based predictive model to anticipate future scene information and relevant measurements conditioned on candidate actions, leading to an action-conditioned world model.
 - Explicitly evaluated the consequences of actions and select the most appropriate action with maximal driving distance to the destination and minimal violations.
 - Can be learned through both online learning and offline learning. Online learning can significantly improve driving performance based on offline pre-trained models.
 - Still in progress.

Sun Yat-sen University Aug. 2018 - Jun. 2023

Undergraduate & Graduate Researcher

- Supervisors: Prof. Wei-Shi Zheng & Prof. Jian-Fang Hu
- Topic 1: Adaptive Context Aggregation for Segmentation Prediction
 - Collaborator: Prof. Wenjun Zeng
 - Aims to predict future unobserved instance segmentation according to observed past RGB frames. The mainstream is to insert a prediction block into an instance segmentation model (e.g., Mask R-CNN) and predict future pyramid features.
 - Developed a flexible network for collaboratively predicting multi-level pyramid features.
 - Proposed an adaptive aggregation approach to exploit the underlying structural relationship among pyramid features.
 - Designed auto-path to selectively and adaptively aggregate contextual information among different pyramid levels.
 - Accepted by **ACM MM** 2019 [Link] & Revised approach accepted by **TPAMI** in 2021 [Link].

• Topic 2: Predictive Feature Learning for Segmentation Prediction

- Collaborator: Prof. Jianguo Zhang
- Pointed out the contradiction between learning discriminative segmentation features and learning reliable future prediction.
- Designed an autoencoder-based framework to learn a predictive representation of segmentation features via explicitly modeling prediction uncertainty and introducing uncertainty decay.
- Proposed an uncertainty-aware prediction module to learn both feature prediction and uncertainty estimation.
- Preliminary work accepted by ICCV 2021 [LINK] & Revised approach scheduled to be submitted to TPAMI.

• Topic 3: Temporal Continual Learning for Human Motion Prediction

- Identified two main limitations in existing models: the learning of short-term predictions is hindered by the focus on long-term predictions, and the incorporation of prior information from past predictions into subsequent predictions is limited.
- Proposed a novel multi-stage training framework and introduced a prior compensation factor to tackle the forgetting problem of prior knowledge.
- Obtained an easily optimized and more reasonable objective function through theoretical derivation.
- Accepted by **NeurIPS** 2023 [LINK].

Microsoft Research Asia Aug. 2021 - Jan. 2022

RESEARCH INTERN IN INTELLIGENT MULTIMEDIA GROUP

• Advisor: Dr. Chunyu Wang

• Topic: Non-freezing Dance Generation

- Aims to predict future dance choreography conditioned on past motion and music pieces. The mainstream is to learn single-modal feature extractors and a cross-modal predictor.
- Achieved non-freezing large-magnitude dance generation.
- Presented bank-constrained manifold projection to suppress the noises in the predicted motions and leveraged the coherence in past, future> motion dynamics to reduce the uncertainty and ambiguity in motion prediction.
- Accepted by **NeurIPS** 2022. [LINK]

Huya Incorporated Jul. 2020 - Jul. 2021

RESEARCH INTERN IN COMPUTER VISION GROUP

• Advisor: Dr. Xintong Han

• Topic: Action-guided Motion Prediction

- Aims to predict future unobserved 3D human motion according to observed past RGB frames. The mainstream is to insert a prediction block into a motion capture model and predict future latent features.
- Introduced action information into human motion prediction.
- Constructed an action-specific memory bank to exploit representative sub-actions and retrieved possible motion dynamics to guide future motion prediction.
- Accepted by **NeurIPS** 2021. [LINK]

Awards