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EDUCATION

Inria - Sophia Antipolis, STARS Team Sophia Antipolis, France
PhD candidate, Computer Vision and Machine Learning Nov 2020 - Nov 2023
Supervised by Dr. François Brémond (Inria) and Dr. Gianpiero Francesca (Toyota)
Thesis: Human Action Representation Learning in Real-world Videos

University of Lyon - Télécom Saint-Etienne Saint-Etienne, France
M.Eng. & M.Sc., Computer Vision and Data Science Sep 2016 - Sep 2019

Xidian University Xi'an, China
B.Eng., Telecommunication Engineering Aug 2013 - Jul 2017

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Toyota Motor Europe - AI Robotics Lab. Brussels, Belgium
Academic-Industrial Collaboration, Research Intern Nov 2019 - Present
Research in human pose estimation and activity recognition

- Implement and improve SoTA approaches for Toyota's human pose estimation system.
- Propose novel deep learning algorithms for Toyota Smart Home action recognition system.
- Apply the proposed approaches for Toyota Smart Factory activity analysis system.

Woven by Toyota - Woven City Tokyo, Japan (Remote)
Academic-Industrial Collaboration Feb 2022 - Present
Research in video representation learning

- Construct a unified framework for daily living action classification, action detection, self-supervised action representation learning, video generation tasks.

EKINNOX Sophia Antipolis, France
Research & Development Intern Mar 2019 - Aug 2019
Medical software development using deep learning algorithms

- Create a spatio-temporal walking model of a healthy person to be robust to occlusions in order to improve human pose estimation based on RGB-D camera.

University of Lyon (Lab. - UMR CNRS 5516) Lyon, France
Research Intern Jun 2018 - Aug 2018
Images analysis for disease detection in the agricultural field

- Detect the zones contaminated by mildew for the leaves using hyper-spectral images.

PUBLICATIONS

- [1] **Di Yang**, Yaohui Wang, Antitza Dantcheva, Quan Kong, Lorenzo Garattoni, Gianpiero Francesca, Francois Bremond. LAC - Latent Action Composition for Skeleton-based Action Segmentation. *In Proc. ICCV 2023*.
- [2] **Di Yang**, Yaohui Wang, Antitza Dantcheva, Lorenzo Garattoni, Gianpiero Francesca, Francois Bremond. [ViA: View-invariant Skeleton Action Representation Learning via Self-supervised Motion Retargeting](#). Submitted to *IJCV 2023* (Under revision).
- [3] **Di Yang**, Yaohui Wang, Quan Kong, Antitza Dantcheva, Lorenzo Garattoni, Gianpiero Francesca, Francois Bremond. [Self-supervised Spatio-temporal Representation Learning via Latent Time Navigation](#). *In Proc. AAAI 2023*.
- [4] Yaohui Wang, **Di Yang**, Francois Bremond, Antitza Dantcheva. [Latent Image Animator: Learning to Animate Image via Latent Space Navigation](#). *In Proc. ICLR 2022*.

[5] **Di Yang***, Yaohui Wang*, Antitza Dantcheva, Lorenzo Garattoni, Gianpiero Francesca, Francois Bremond. [UNIK: A Unified Framework for Real-world Skeleton-based Action Recognition](#). In Proc. *BMVC 2021* (*Oral, acceptance rate 3%*).

[6] Srijan Das, Rui Dai, **Di Yang**, Francois Bremond. [VPN++: Rethinking Video-Pose embeddings for understanding Activities of Daily Living](#). In Proc. *IEEE TPAMI 2021*.

[7] **Di Yang**, Rui Dai, Yaohui Wang, Rupayan Mallick, Luca Minciullo, Gianpiero Francesca, Francois Bremond. [Selective Spatio-Temporal Aggregation Based Pose Refinement System: Towards Understanding Human Activities in Real-World Videos](#). In Proc. *WACV 2021*.

[8] **Di Yang**, Yaohui Wang, Antitza Dantcheva, Lorenzo Garattoni, Gianpiero Francesca, Francois Bremond. [Self-supervised Video Pose Representation Learning for Occlusion-robust Action Recognition](#). In Proc. *FG 2021* (*Oral, acceptance rate 10%*).

[9] Valeriya Strizhkova, Yaohui Wang, David Anghelone, **Di Yang**, Antitza Dantcheva, Francois Bremond. [Emotion Editing in Head Reenactment Videos using Latent Space Manipulation](#). In Proc. *FG 2021*.

PATENTS

[1] Method and System for Training An Encoder Model. *EP Patent (in application 2023)*. Application number: EP23305147.

[2] Motion Representation Calculation Method and System, Training Method, Computer Program, Readable Medium and System. *EP Patent (in application 2022)*. Application number: EP22305979.

[3] Computer-implemented Method for Pre-training A Model to Recognize A Graph-represented Pattern in An Input. *EP Patent (in application 2021)*. Application number: EP2130596.

ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

Attend Cambridge Ellis Unit Summer School Cambridge, UK
Topic: Probabilistic Machine Learning Jul 2023

Present a poster at TRACE - Toyota Research on Automated Cars in Europe Leuven, Belgium
Sep 2022

Topic: View-invariant video representation learning for human action recognition

Attend OxML - Oxford Machine Learning Summer School Oxford, UK
Topic: Machine Learning x HEALTH Aug 2022

Give a talk at University of Lyon 2 - IMAGINE Team Lyon, France
Topic: Real-world skeleton-based human action recognition Jan 2022

Attend Multi-Modal Video Reasoning and Analyzing Competition (ICCV 2021) Jul 2021

Propose a skeleton-based action recognition approach for UAV-Human (Ranked top 6).

Serve as reviewer

CVPR 2023/2022, AAAI 2024/2023, CVIU 2023/2021, PRL 2021, WACV2022

SKILLS

- **Program Languages:** Python, C/C++, MATLAB, Java, JavaScript
- **Frameworks:** PyTorch, Keras, Scikit-learn, OpenCV, OpenGL, Qt, SpringBoot, React
- **Languages:** English: Fluent, French: Fluent, Chinese: Native