

# Mengwei Ren

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## Research Interests

Computer Vision, Machine Learning, Medical Image Processing.

## Education

2018 - **Ph.D.**, *Computer Science*, Tandon School of Engineering, New York University.

present Advisor: Prof. Guido Gerig.

Relevant courses: Machine Learning, Deep Learning, Artificial Intelligence, Computer Vision, Probability and Statistics for Data Science, Theory of Computation.

GPA: 3.94/4

2014 - 2018 **B.S.**, *Computer Science*, School of Computer Science and Technology, East China Normal University.

Relevant courses: Algorithm Analysis and Design, Object Oriented Programming (C++), C Programming, Matlab Programming.

Thesis: 3D Deep Dense Descriptor for Volumetric Shapes with Adversarial Networks.

GPA: 3.69/4, Major GPA: 3.78/4, Rank: 1/103.

## Research Experience

05/2022 **Student Researcher**, *Computational Imaging (Luma) Team*, Google Research.

-present Supervisor: Hossein Talebi, Mauricio Delbracio, Peyman Milanfar

- Image-conditioned diffusion models for image deblurring.
- Improved the domain generalization ability of the model towards unseen data.

05/2019 **Research Assistant**, *Visualization, Imaging and Data Analysis (VIDA) Lab*, NYU Tandon.

-present Supervisor: Guido Gerig

- Segmentation-aware feature modulation for unpaired image translation.
- $Q$ -space conditioned structural to diffusion MRI translation.
- Spatiotemporal representation learning for longitudinal neuroimage analysis.
- (Ongoing) Improving conditioning mechanism for longitudinal analysis.
- (Collaborative) Generative adversarial registration towards improved conditional template.

05/2021 **Machine Learning Research Intern**, *PCT REC group*, Siemens Healthineers.

-09/2021 Supervisor: Marriappan Nadar

- Unsupervised susceptibility distortion correction of MR images with opposite PE directions.
- Experimented and improved baselines for fast correction of multimodal images.

08/2017 **Research Assistant**, *Multimedia and Visual Computing Lab*, NYU Tandon.

-07/2019 Supervisor: Yi Fang

- 3D shape representation learning;
- Monocular depth estimation;
- Object detection with multimodal data (RGB image, LiDAR point cloud).

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## Publications

- Under Review **Mengwei Ren**, Mauricio Delbracio, Hossein Talebi, Guido Gerig, Peyman Milanfar, "Image Deblurring with Domain Generalizable Diffusion Models", 2022.
- Journal paper **Mengwei Ren\***, Neel Dey\*, James Fishbaugh, Guido Gerig, "Segmentation-Renormalized Deep Feature Modulation for Unpaired Image Harmonization", IEEE Transactions on Medical Imaging (**TMI**), 2021.
- Conference paper **Mengwei Ren**, Neel Dey, Martin Styner, Kelly Botteron, Guido Gerig, "Local Spatiotemporal Representation Learning for Longitudinally-consistent Neuroimage Analysis", Thirty-sixth Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems (**NeurIPS**), **oral**, 2022.
- Mengwei Ren\***, Heejong Kim\*, Neel Dey, Guido Gerig, "Q-space Conditioned Translation Networks for Directional Synthesis of Diffusion Weighted Images from Multi-modal Structural MRI", International Conference on Medical Image Computing and Computer Assisted Intervention (**MICCAI**), **oral** presentation, 2021.
- Neel Dey, **Mengwei Ren**, Adrian Dalca, Guido Gerig, "Generative Adversarial Registration for Improved Conditional Deformable Templates", International Conference of Computer Vision (**ICCV**), 2021.
- Jing Zhu, Yunxiao Shi, **Mengwei Ren**, Yi Fang, "MDA-Net: Memorable Domain Adaptation Network for Monocular Depth Estimation", British Machine Vision Conference (**BMVC**), 2020.
- Preprint **Mengwei Ren**, Liang Niu, Yi Fang, "3D-A-Nets: 3D Deep Dense Descriptor for Volumetric Shapes with Adversarial Networks", 2018 (B.S. degree thesis).

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## Awards & Activities

- 2019- **Reviewer**, ISBI (2019), NeuroImaging (2021), TMI (2022), Frontiers in Neuroimage (2022).
- 10/2022 **NeurIPS 2022 Scholar Award**, New Orleans.
- 08/2022 **Invited talk**, LUMA seminar, at Perception, Google Research.
- 07/2022 **Invited talk**, Computational Neuroimage Science Lab, at Stanford Research Institute.
- 04/2022 **Guest lecture on deep learning**, NYU CS-GY 6643 Computer Vision.
- 2020-2021 **Tandon School of Engineering (SOE) Fellowship**, NYU.
- 04/2021 **Invited lecture on deep generative models**, NYU CS-GY 6643 Computer Vision.
- 04/2021 **CRA-WP Grad Cohort for Women Workshop**, Virtual.
- 09/2017 **Shanghai Government Scholarship**, China, Top 3%.
- 09/2016 **Academic Excellence Scholarship**, ECNU, Top 4%.
- 09/2015 **Outstanding student**, Department of Information and Technology, ECNU.

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## Selected Academic Projects

- 2020 Neonatal segmentation for over 100 subjects without expert labels via style transfer.
- 2019 Adversarial visual synthesis of 3D shapes and 2D images via disentangled representation.
- 2018 Deep reinforcement learning (deep Q-learning) on Pacman.

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## Skills

- Programming (Order by frequency) PYTHON, SHELL, C/C++, MATLAB, JAVASCRIPT, HTML.
- Libraries (Deep Learning) Pytorch, Tensorflow; (NeuroImaging) FSL, ITK-SNAP, ANTs, 3D Slicer.
- Language English (fluent), Chinese (native).