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RESEARCH INTERESTS Machine Learning, Deep Learning, Video Coding, Image Processing, Computer Vision, Compressed Sensing.

EDUCATION **The State University of New York at Buffalo (SUNY Buffalo)**, Buffalo, NY

Ph.D, Electrical Engineering, Sept. 2012  
Thesis: Decoding of Purely Compressed Sensed Video  
Advisor: Prof. Dimitris A. Pados

**The State University of New York at Buffalo (SUNY Buffalo)**, Buffalo, NY

M.S., Electrical Engineering, June 2008  
Advisor: Prof. Dimitris A. Pados

**Beijing University of Posts and Telecommunications (BUPT)**, Beijing, China

B.S., Communications Engineering, June 2006  
Thesis: Dynamic Bandwidth Allocation of Gigabit Passive Optical Networks (GPON), Excellent Undergraduate Thesis Award

EMPLOYMENT **Santa Clara University**, Santa Clara, CA

Assistant Professor, Dept. Computer Science & Engineering, Sept. 2018 - Present

**The State University of New York at Buffalo (SUNY Buffalo)**, Buffalo, NY

Lecturer, Dept. Electrical Engineering, Sept. 2016 - May. 2018

**The State University of New York at Buffalo (SUNY Buffalo)**, Buffalo, NY

Postdoc - Research Scientist, Dept. Electrical Engineering, Oct. 2014 - Aug. 2018

**Illinois Institute of Technology**, Chicago, IL

Senior Research Associate, Dept. Electrical & Computer Engineering, July 2013 - Oct. 2014  
Multimedia Communications Laboratory

**ARCON Corporation**, Waltham, MA

Staff Engineer, Jan. 2013 - Jul. 2013  
Air Traffic Management Software Analysis and Testing.

RESEARCH GRANTS

- Nam Ling (PI) and Ying Liu (PI), "Low Complexity and High Efficiency Image and Video Coding with Deep Learning on Heterogeneous Platforms," \$154,673, Kwai, Inc, June 16, 2021 - June 15, 2022, awarded.
- Nam Ling (PI) and Ying Liu (Co-PI), "Low Complexity and High Efficiency Image and Video Processing with Neural Network on Heterogeneous Platforms," US \$150,873.00, Kwai, Inc., June 16, 2020 - June 15, 2021, awarded.

- Ying Liu (PI), School of Engineering Internal Grants, \$15,000, June 2020-June 2021, Santa Clara University, awarded.
- Ying Liu (PI), School of Engineering Internal Grants, \$15,000, June 2019-June 2020, Santa Clara University, awarded.
- Ying Liu (PI), Summer Research Stipend, \$8,000, June 2020-June 2021, Santa Clara University, awarded.
- Start-up Funding, September 2018 - Present, Santa Clara University, awarded.

#### JOURNAL ARTICLES

1. B. Hou, **Y. Liu**, N. Ling, L. Liu, and Y. Ren, "A fast lightweight 3D separable convolutional neural network with multi-input multi-output for moving object detection", *IEEE Access*, vol. 9, pp. 148433 - 148448, Oct. 2021. Impact Factor: 3.367.
2. **Y. Liu**, K. Tountas, D. A. Pados, S. N. Batalama, and M. J. Medley, "L1-subspace tracking for streaming data", *Pattern Recognition*, vol. 97, Aug. 2019. Impact Factor: 7.740.
3. **Y. Liu** and J. Kim, "Variable block-size compressed sensing for depth map coding", *Multimedia Tools and Applications*, vol. 79, pp. 8825 - 8839, Apr. 2019. Impact Factor: 2.757.
4. **Y. Liu**, D. A. Pados, J. Kim, and C. Zhang, "Reconstruction of compressed-sensed multiview video with disparity and motion compensated total-variation minimization," *IEEE Trans. Circuits and Systems for Video Technology*, vol. 28, pp. 1288-1302, June 2018. Impact Factor: 4.685.
5. **Y. Liu** and D. A. Pados, "Compressed-sensed-domain L1-PCA video surveillance," *IEEE Trans. Multimedia*, vol. 18, pp. 351-363, Mar. 2016. Impact Factor: 6.513.
6. **Y. Liu**, M. Li, and D. A. Pados, "Motion-aware decoding of compressed-sensed video," *IEEE Trans. Circuits and Systems for Video Technology*, vol. 23, pp. 438-444, Mar. 2013. Impact Factor: 4.685.
7. **Y. Liu** and D. A. Pados, "Decoding of framewise compressed-sensed video via interframe total variation minimization," *SPIE Journal of Electronic Imaging, Special Issue on Compressive Sensing for Imaging*, Apr.-June 2013.

#### CONFERENCE PAPERS

1. P. Du, **Y. Liu**, N. Ling, L. Liu, Y. Ren, M. Hsu, "A generative adversarial network for video compression," *SPIE Defense + Commercial Sensing, Conference: Big Data IV: Learning, Analytics, and Applications*, Orlando, Florida, Apr. 2022, accepted.
2. B. Hou, **Y. Liu**, N. Ling, L. Liu, Y. Ren, and M. Hsu, "F3DsCNN: a fast two-branch 3D separable CNN for moving object detection," *IEEE Conf. Visual Commun. and Image Process. (VCIP)*, Munich, Germany, Dec. 2021, accepted.
3. Y. Pei, **Y. Liu**, N. Ling, L. Liu, and Y. Ren, "Class-specific neural network for video compressed sensing," *IEEE Int. Symp. Circuits and Systems*, Daegu, Korea, May 2021.
4. **Y. Liu**, P. Du, and Y. Li, "Hierarchical motion-compensated deep network for video compression," *SPIE Symp. Defense + Commercial Sensing*, Orlando, FL, Apr. 2021, accepted.
5. M. Schimpf, N. Ling, Y. Shi, and **Y. Liu**, "Sparse coding of intra prediction residuals for screen content coding," *IEEE Int. Conf. Consumer Electronics (ICCE)*, 2021, accepted.
6. B. Hou, **Y. Liu**, and N. Ling, "A super-fast deep network for moving object detection," *IEEE Int. Symp. Circuits and Systems*, online, Oct. 2020.
7. Y. Pei, **Y. Liu**, and N. Ling, "Deep learning for block compressed sensing of images in sparse domain," *IEEE Int. Symp. Circuits and Systems*, online, Oct. 2020.
8. R. Khan, **Y. Liu**, "Motion-aware deep video coding network," *Conference SI110: Big Data II: Learning, Analytics, and Applications, SPIE Symp. Defense + Commercial Sensing 2020*, online, Apr. 2020.

9. **Y. Liu**, Z. Bellay, P. Bradsy, G. Chandler, and B. Craig, "Edge-to-fog computing for color-assisted moving object detection," in *Proc. SPIE 10989, Big Data: Learning, Analytics, and Applications*, Baltimore, MD, Apr. 2019.
10. **Y. Liu** and D. A. Pados, "Conformity evaluation of data samples by  $L_1$ -norm principal-component analysis," in *Proc. SPIE 10658, Compressive Sensing VII: From Diverse Modalities to Big Data Analytics*, Orlando, FL, May 2018.
11. **Y. Liu**, D. A. Pados, S. N. Batalama, and M. J. Medley, "Iterative re-weighted  $L_1$ -norm principal-component analysis," in *Proc. IEEE Asilomar Conference*, Pacific Grove, CA, Oct. - Nov. 2017.
12. F. Maritato, **Y. Liu**, S. Colonnese, and D. A. Pados, "Cloud-assisted individual  $L_1$ -PCA face recognition using wavelet-domain compressed images," in *Proc. the 6th European Workshop on Visual Information Process. (EUVIP)*, Marseille, France, Oct. 2016.
13. **Y. Liu**, D. A. Pados, and C.H. Yeh, "Two-stage tensor locality-preserving projection face recognition," in *Proc. IEEE Int. Conf. Multimedia Big Data*, Taipei, Taiwan, Apr. 2016.
14. M. Pierantozzi, **Y. Liu**, D. A. Pados, and S. Colonnese, "Video background tracking and foreground extraction via  $L_1$ -subspace updates," in *Proc. SPIE Commercial + Scientific Sensing and Imaging*, Baltimore, MD, Apr. 2016.
15. F. Maritato, **Y. Liu**, D. A. Pados, and S. Colonnese, "Face recognition with  $L_1$ -norm subspaces," in *Proc. SPIE Commercial + Scientific Sensing and Imaging*, Baltimore, MD, Apr. 2016.
16. **Y. Liu**, S. Chamadia, and D. A. Pados, "Joint-view Kalman-filter recovery of compressed-sensed multiview videos," in *Proc. IEEE Int. Conf. Acoust. Speech, and Signal Process. (ICASSP)*, Shanghai, China, Mar. 2016.
17. Y. Xu, J. Sun, J. Zeng, Z. Kudyshev, A. Pandey, **Y. Liu**, and N. M. Litchinitser, "Probing metamaterials with structured light," in *Proc. SPIE 9544, Metamaterials, Metadevices, and Metasystems*, Sept. 2015.
18. **Y. Liu**, D. A. Pados, "Compressed-sensed  $L_1$ -PCA surveillance video," in *Proc. SPIE Defense, Security, and Sensing (DSS)*, Baltimore, MD, Apr. 2015.
19. **Y. Liu**, C. Zhang, and J. Kim, "Disparity-compensated Total-variation Minimization for compressed-sensed multiview image reconstruction," in *Proc. IEEE Int. Conf. Acoust. Speech, and Signal Process. (ICASSP)*, Brisbane, Australia, Apr. 2015.
20. K. R. Vijayanagar, **Y. Liu**, and J. Kim, "Adaptive measurement rate allocation for block-based compressed sensing of depth maps," in *Proc. IEEE Int. Conf. Image Process. (ICIP)*, Paris, France, Oct. 2014.
21. **Y. Liu**, K. R. Vijayanagar, and J. Kim., "Rate-distortion optimization for compressive video sampling," in *Proc. SPIE Defense, Security, and Sensing (DSS)*, Baltimore, MD, May 2014.
22. **Y. Liu**, K. R. Vijayanagar, and J. Kim, "Quad-tree partitioned compressed sensing for depth map coding," in *Proc. IEEE Int. Conf. Acoustics and Speech Signal Process. (ICASSP)*, Florence, Italy, May 2014.
23. **Y. Liu** and D. A. Pados, "Rate-adaptive compressive video acquisition with sliding-window total-variation- minimization reconstruction," in *Proc. SPIE on Defense, Security and Sensing*, Baltimore, MD, Apr. 2013.
24. **Y. Liu**, M. Li, and D. A. Pados, "Decoding of purely compressed-sensed video," in *Proc. SPIE on Defense, Security and Sensing*, Baltimore, MD, Apr. 2012.
25. **Y. Liu**, M. Li, K. Gao, and D. A. Pados, "Motion compensation as sparsity-aware decoding in compressive video streaming," (invited paper) in *Proc. Intern. Conf. on Digital Signal Proc. (ICDSP)*, Corfu, Greece, Jul. 2011.

## PATENTS

1. B. Hou, **Y. Liu**, N. Ling, L. Liu, Y. Ren, and M. Hsu, “3D separable deep convolutional neural network for moving object detection,” *U.S. Patent Application No. 17/533,012*, filed.
2. Y. Pei, **Y. Liu**, N. Ling, L. Liu, Y. Ren, and M. Hsu, “Class-specific neural network for video compressed sensing,” *Provisional U.S. patent (application no. US 63/161,431)*.

## TEACHING

1. COEN166/266 Artificial Intelligence, Santa Clara University
2. COEN140/240 Machine Learning, Santa Clara University
3. COEN347 Advanced Techniques in Video Coding, Santa Clara University
4. EE614 Smart Antennas (graduate), Spring 2018, SUNY at Buffalo
5. EE462/562 Principle of Medical and Radar Imaging (graduate), Spring 2018, Spring 2017, SUNY at Buffalo
6. EE631 Detection & Estimation I (graduate), Fall 2017, Fall 2016, SUNY at Buffalo
7. EE484 Communication Systems 2 (Senior), Fall 2017, SUNY at Buffalo
8. EE200 EE Concepts/non-Majors (undergraduate, 200+ students), Fall 2017, Spring 2017, Fall 2016, SUNY at Buffalo
9. EE303 Signal Analysis and Transform Methods (undergraduate), Summer 2011, SUNY at Buffalo

## PRESENTATIONS AND TALKS

1. COEN 100, Undergraduate Seminar.
2. COEN 400, Graduate Seminar.

## STUDENTS & PROJECTS

### **PhD Students' Projects:**

- Pengli Du - Deep Learning for Video Coding
- Tianma Shen - Deep Learning for Video Processing
- Zhongpeng Zhang - Deep Learning for Video Processing
- Bingxin Hou (co-advisor) - Deep Learning for Moving Object Detection
- Yifei Pei (co-advisor) - Deep Learning for Image and Video Compression

### **MS Students' Projects:**

- Rida Khan – Convolutional neural network-based video compression
- Zachary Bellay (graduated) - Deep Learning for Image and Video Processing

### **Undergraduate Students' Research Projects:**

- Yuzhu Li - Deep Learning for Video Coding
- Junhe Cui - Deep Learning-based Object Detection

### **Senior Design Projects Advised:**

- Xukun Zhang, Yuzheng Wu, Haochen Zhang - “Crossroad - avoid crowd intelligence,” 2020/2021.
- Carter Duncan, Alexander Kennedy, Andrew Wang, Jack Cunningham - “Urban planning optimization via ‘Cities: Skylines’,” Senior Design Conference Session Winner, 2020/2021.
- Zachary Bellay, Payton Bradsky, Glen Chandler, Brandon Craig - “Edge-to-fog computing for color-assisted moving object detection,” Senior Design Conference Session Winner, 2018/2019.
- James Olivas, Haobo Zhang - “Machine learning solution to organ-at-risk segmentation in radiotherapy planning,” 2018/2019.

### **PhD Thesis Committee:**

- Suthee Chaidaroon
- Bingxin Hou
- Eyor Alemayehu
- Michael Schimpf

**Master Thesis Reader:**

- Licheng Xiao
- Yifei Pei
- Yuan Wang
- Glen Chandler

**Honors Contract Class Instructor:**

- Drew Ligman, COEN 140, Spring 2021

**Senior Honor Thesis Reader:**

- Nam Tran, Philip Cori, June 2020
- Payton Bradsky, June 2019

PROFESSIONAL  
ACTIVITIES

**Panelist:**

- NSF Graduate Research Fellowship Program (GRFP), 2020

**Conference and Workshop Chair/Co-Chair:**

- Area Chair/Meta-reviewer, IEEE Conf. Visual Commun. and Image Process. (VCIP), Munich, Germany, Dec. 2021.
- Poster Session Chair, IEEE Int. Symp. Circuits and Systems, Daegu, Korea, May 2021.
- Co-Chair, The 1st International Workshop on Edge, Fog, and Cloud Computing for the Internet of Things (EFIOT), in conjunction with the 16th EAI International Conference on Mobile and Ubiquitous Systems: Computing, Networking and Services, Houston, TX, Nov. 2019.

**Technical Program Committee Member:**

- IEEE-CAS Visual Signal Processing and Communications (VSPC), Jan. 2021 - present.
- The 23rd IEEE Int. Symp. Multimedia, Naples, Italy, Dec. 2021.
- The 22nd IEEE Int. Symp. Multimedia, Naples, Italy, Dec. 2020.
- The 5th IEEE Int. Conf. Multimedia Big Data, Singapore, Singapore, Sept. 2019.
- The 21st IEEE Int. Symp. Multimedia, San Diego, CA, Dec. 2019.
- The 20th IEEE Int. Symp. Multimedia, Taichung, Taiwan, Dec. 2018.
- The 19th IEEE Int. Symp. Multimedia, Taichung, Taiwan, Dec. 2017.
- IEEE Int. Conf. Multimedia Big Data, Taipei, Taiwan, Apr. 2016.
- IEEE Int. Conf. Cyber-enabled Distributed Computing and Knowledge Discovery, Chengdu, China, Oct., 2016.
- IEEE Int. Conf. Open Source Systems & Technologies, Lahore, Pakistan, Dec. 2016.
- The 6th Int. Conf. on Ambient Systems, Networks and Tech (ANT2015), June 2015, London, United Kingdom.

**Reviewer:**

- IEEE Access
- IEEE Sensors Journal
- Neurocomputing
- IEEE Transactions on Multimedia
- IEEE Transactions on Computational Imaging
- IEEE Transactions on Signal Processing
- IEEE Transactions on Circuits and Systems of Video Technology
- IEEE Transactions on Neural Networks and Learning Systems
- IEEE Open Journal of Circuits and Systems
- Security and Communication Networks
- SPIE Journal of Electronic Imaging
- Springer Journal of Signal, Image and Video Processing
- Elsevier Journal of Visual Communication and Image Representation
- Elsevier International Journal of Electronics and Communications
- Journal of Circuits, Systems, and Computers
- MDPI Sensors
- IEEE International Workshop on Machine Learning for Signal Processing, 2019
- Asia-Pacific Signal and Information Processing Association Annual Summit and Conference, 2019
- IEEE International Conference on Communications, 2016
- IEEE International Conference on Multimedia Big Data, BigMM2016
- IEEE Sensor Array and Multichannel Signal Processing Workshop, 2018
- IEEE International Conference on Cyber-enabled Distributed Computing and Knowledge Discovery, 2016
- The 15th International Conference on Algorithms and Architectures for Parallel Processing, 2015

**Member of Societies:**

- Member of the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE)
- Member of the International Society for Optics and Photonics (SPIE)
- Member of the IEEE Signal Processing Society
- Member of the IEEE Communications Society
- Member of the IEEE Computer Society

SANTA CLARA  
UNIVERSITY  
SERVICES

**School of Engineering:**

- Lecturer, Summer Engineering Seminar, July 2021
- Graduate Fellowship Committee, Jan. 2021
- Research Showcase Judge, 2020

**Department:**

- Senior Project Coordinator, Winter 2021
- Faculty Search Committee, 2019/2020
- PhD Prelim Exam Proctor, 10/10/2020

AWARDS AND  
HONORS

- Certificate of Recognition (for influential work to support student career development and success at Santa Clara University in the 2018-2019 school year), Career Center, Santa Clara University, 2019.
- Blavatnik Regional Awards for Young Scientists Nominee, 2017.
- First Place of “Three-Minute Presentation”, Annual Postdoctoral Research Symposium, The State University of New York at Buffalo, June 2016.
- Best Paper Selection: “Two-stage tensor locality-preserving projection face recognition,” in *Proc. IEEE Int. Conf. Multimedia Big Data (IEEE BigMM)*, Taipei, Taiwan, April 2016, by Ying Liu, D. A. Pados, and Chia-Hung Yeh.
- Excellent Undergraduate Dissertation, Beijing University of Posts and Telecommunications (BUPT), June 2006.
- Excellent Summer Intern Paper, Beijing University of Posts and Telecommunications (BUPT), 2005.