Tingting Wu

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Education

Ph.D. Candidate in Imaging Science Program Sep 2018 - Dec 2023 (expected)
Washington University in St. Louis (WashU) GPA: 3.91/4.00
Department of Electrical and System Engineering
Courses:*Optimization, Computer Vision, Fundamentals and Applications of Modern Optical Imaging, Theoretical Imaging Science, Physics of Biopolymers and Bioinspired Polymers, Computational Methods for Imaging Sciences, Introduction to Machine Learning...*

B.S. with Honor in Optoelectronics Science and Engineering Program 2014-2018
Southern University of Science and Technology (SUSTech) GPA: 3.79/4.00, ranking 1st
Department of Electrical and Electronic Engineering

Research Experience

Graduate research at Lew Lab, WashU Sep 2018 - Present
Single Molecules Orientation Localization Microscopy

- **Point spread function engineering** design a microscope to encode the information of 3D locations and 3D orientations of single molecules into the shape of images captured by the camera.
- **Adaptive microscopy design** adapt the structure of the microscope (e.g. polarization and structure of excitation light, wavefront shaping of emission light) during the experiment to achieve optimal estimation precision for 3D orientation and 3D position of single molecule
- **Deep-Learning based estimation algorithm design** design Deep-Learning based estimator to simultaneously estimate the orientations and locations from overlapped and noisy images of single molecules
- **Mapping dynamic and heterogeneous 6D network of bio-condensates** study the spontaneous phase separation process and protein organizations of biocondensates using the above designed microscope and estimation algorithm
- **Evaluation metric design based on information theory** design evaluation metric to efficiently quantify the precision of different microscopes for measuring 3D orientation of single molecules
  Advisor: Prof. Matthew D. Lew

Undergraduate research at SUSTech

- **Optical ptychography** study the scanning coherent diffraction imaging (ptycography) at visible light wavelengths and reconstruct the image using iterative phase retrieval algorithm Feb 2018 - June 2018
  Advisor: Prof. Fucai Zhang
- **Optical fiber sensor design** design refractive index fiber sensor and displacement fiber sensor based on the interference between lights in cladding mode and in core mode May 2016 - Jan 2018
  Advisor: Prof. Xinhai Zhang & Dr. Linlin Xu
- **Thermoelectric nanomaterial** Study thermoelectric nanomaterial of SnSe and BiTe Dec 2014 - April 2016
  Advisor: Prof. Jiaqing He

Skills

- **Optics** microscopy design, simulation, and construction (fluorescence microscopy, single molecular microscopy, camera characterization, laser alignment, etc.)
- **Computation** imaging estimation algorithm design based on iterative optimization or neural network
- **Programming** Matlab, Python and Java; Tensorflow and Pytorch
- **Soft skills** communication cross-group and in-group collaboration, scientific presentation and leadership

Major Honor & Awards

Second-place Poster Award	Imaging Sciences Pathway Retreat, WashU	2022
Student Award	Microscopy and Microanalysis (M&M) meeting	2021
Outstanding Graduate Student Assistant to the Instructor (AI) Award	ESE at WashU	2021
Travel Awards	St. Louis Chapter of Graduate Women in Science	2020
Graduation with Honor	SUSTech	2018
Scientific Research and Innovation Award	SUSTech	2017
First Place Merit-based Scholarship	SUSTech	2017,2018
Outstanding Freshmen Scholarship	SUSTech	2014
Interdisciplinary Contest In Modeling	Honorable Mention	2017
Tuition Scholarship	SUSTech	2014-2018

Publications

(Citations 83, h-indx 3, i10-index 2 via google scholar)
† equally contributed

Refereed Publications

[6] **Tingting Wu**, Peng Lu†, Md Ashequr Rahman†, Xiao Li†, and Matthew D. Lew. "Deep-SMOLM: Imaging the 3D orientations and 2D positions of overlapping single molecules with nanoscale resolution using deep learning". In: *Under Written* (2022).

[5] **Tingting Wu**, Jin Lu, and Matthew D. Lew. "Dipole-spread-function engineering for simultaneously measuring the 3D orientations and 3D positions of fluorescent molecules". In: *Optica* 9.5 (2022), p. 505. DOI: 10.1364/optica.451899.

[4] Oumeng Zhang, Weiyan Zhou, Jin Lu, **Tingting Wu**, and Matthew D. Lew. "Resolving the three-dimensional rotational and translational dynamics of single molecules using radially and azimuthally polarized fluorescence". In: *Nano Letters* 22.3 (2022), pp. 1024–1031. DOI: 10.1021/acs.nanolett.1c03948.

[3] Tianben Ding†, **Tingting Wu**†, Hesam Mazidi, Oumeng Zhang, and Matthew Lew. "Single-molecule orientation localization microscopy for resolving structural heterogeneities within amyloid fibrils". In: *Optica* 7.6 (2020), pp. 602–607. DOI: 10.1364/optica.388157.

[2] **Tingting Wu**, Linlin Xu, and Xinhai Zhang. "High sensitivity refractive index sensor based on the semicircular bent fiber". In: *Journal of Physics Communications* 2.6 (2018), p. 065009. DOI: 10.1088/2399-6528/aacbob.

[1] Dan Feng, Zhen-Hua Ge, Di Wu, Yue-Xing Chen, **Tingting Wu**, Ju Li, and Jiaqing He. "Enhanced thermoelectric properties of SnSe polycrystals via texture control". In: *Physical Chemistry Chemical Physics* 18.46 (2016), pp. 31821–31827. ISSN: 1463-9076. DOI: 10.1039/C6CP06466C.

Other Publications

[2] **Tingting Wu**, Jin Lu, and Matthew Lew. "pixOL: pixel-wise point spread function engineering for measuring the 3D orientation and 3D location of dipole-like emitters". In: vol. 27. S1. Cambridge University Press, 2021, pp. 858–862. DOI: 10.1017/S1431927621003366.

[1] **Tingting Wu**, Tianben Ding, Hesam Mazidi, Oumeng Zhang, and Matthew D. Lew. "A computationally-efficient bound for the variance of measuring the orientation of single molecules". In: *Single Molecule Spectroscopy and Superresolution Imaging XIII*. Vol. 1124616. February. SPIE, 2020, p. 35. DOI: 10.1117/12.2543813.

Conference Presentations

Oral Presentations

[4] "Deep-SMOLM: imaging the 3D orientations and 2D positions simultaneously of single molecules using deep learning". In: *Gordon Research Seminar* (2022), Portland, Maine, US.

[3] "pixOL: pixel-wise point spread function engineering for measuring the 3D orientation and 3D location of dipole-like emitters". In: *Focus on Microscopy* (2022), Online.

[2] "pixOL: pixel-wise point spread function engineering for measuring the 3D orientation and 3D location of dipole-like emitters". In: *Microscopy and Microanalysis (M&M) Meeting* (2021), Online.

[1] "High sensitivity refractive index sensor based on a semicircle bent fiber". In: *2017 10th International Conference on Computer and Electrical Engineering (ICCEE 2017)* (2017), University of Alberta, Edmonton, Canada.

Poster Publications

[3] "Deep-SMOLM: imaging the 3D orientations and 2D positions simultaneously of single molecules using deep learning". In: *Gordon Research Conference* (2022), Portland, Maine.

[2] "pixOL: pixel-wise point spread function engineering for measuring the 3D orientation and 3D location of dipole-like emitters". In: *Biophysical Society* (2022), San Francisco, US.

[1] "A computationally efficient bound for the variance of measuring the orientation of single molecules". In: *SPIE Photonic West* (2022), San Francisco, US.

Other Professional Activities

- **Initiator and Committee chair** of imaging science student seminar in WashU 2019,9-2022,4
  We hold student seminar once a month. We also build our own website for sharing the recorded presentations.
- **Mentor** for assistants instruction (AIs) in ESE 2021 fall
- **Volunteer** of portal to the public, Saint Louis Science Center 2020
- **Assistant Instructor** of ESE 105, Intro to Electrical and Systems Engineering, WashU 2019 all, 2020 fall
- **Publicity Minister** of Optical Society of America (OSA) in SUSTech 2017-2018
- Member of SPIE 2019-now
- Member of OSA 2017-now
- **Peer Tutor** of physics for international students in SUSTech 2017-2018