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## Abbreviation

NTU	Nanyang Technological University
THU	Tsinghua University
USTC	University of Science and Technology of China
CVPR	Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition
NeurIPS	Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems
TSG	IEEE Transactions on Smart Grid

MM	ACM International Conference on Multimedia
ICCV	IEEE International Conference on Computer Vision
AAAI	AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence
TIP	IEEE Transactions on Image Processing
EE	Electrical Engineering

**Research Interests** **Theory:** I develop robust learning algorithms, with a focus on long-tailed learning, group robustness, OOD generalization.

**Application:** My work explores the understanding and application of large multimodal models, including MLLMs, VLMs, and Stable Diffusion, for solving downstream tasks.

<b>Working Experience</b>	Research Scientist, NTU, Singapore <i>work with Prof. Hanwang Zhang</i>	Mar 2025 – Present
	Researcher, SenseTime, Beijing	Jul 2019 – Nov 2020
<b>Education</b>	P.h.D in Computer Science, NTU, Singapore <i>supervisor: Prof. Hanwang Zhang</i>	Jan 2021 – Jan 2025
	M.S. in EE, THU, Beijing.	Sep 2016 – Jul 2019
	B.E. in EE, THU, Beijing.	Sep 2012 – Jul 2016

**Selected Publications** Listed in chronological order. \*: equal contribution. †: corresponding author.

## First-Authored Publications

1. Adaptive stochastic coefficients for accelerating diffusion sampling.  
*R. Wang\*, B. Zhu\*, J. Li, L. Yuan, C. Zhang*  
**NeurIPS** 2025.
2. Distilling parallel gradients for fast ODE solvers of diffusion models.  
*B. Zhu\*, R. Wang\*, T. Zhao, H. Zhang, C. Zhang*  
**ICCV** 2025.
3. Project-probe-aggregate: efficient fine-tuning for group robustness.  
*B. Zhu, J. Cui, H. Zhang, C. Zhang*  
**Highlight, CVPR** 2025.
4. Robust fine-tuning of zero-shot models via variance reduction.  
*B. Zhu, J. Cui, H. Zhang*  
**NeurIPS** 2024.
5. Enhancing zero-shot vision models by label-free prompt distribution learning and bias correcting.  
*X. Zhu\*, B. Zhu\*, Y. Tan, S. Wang, Y. Hao, H. Zhang*  
**Spotlight, NeurIPS** 2024.
6. Selective vision-Language subspace projection for few-shot CLIP.  
*X. Zhu\*, B. Zhu\*, Y. Tan, S. Wang, Y. Hao, H. Zhang*  
**Oral, MM** 2024.
7. Generalized logit adjustment: calibrating fine-tuned models by removing label bias in foundation models.  
*B. Zhu, K. Tang, Q. Sun and H. Zhang*  
**NeurIPS** 2023.
8. Prompt-aligned gradient for prompt tuning.  
*B. Zhu, Y. Niu, Y. Han, Y. Wu and H. Zhang*  
**ICCV** 2023.
9. Debiased fine-tuning for vision-language models by prompt regularization.  
*B. Zhu, Y. Niu, S. Lee, M. Hur, H. Zhang*  
**Oral, AAAI** 2023.
10. Cross-domain empirical risk minimization for unbiased long-tailed classification.  
*B. Zhu, Y. Niu, X. Hua and H. Zhang*  
**Oral, AAAI** 2022.
11. Polygonal region detection.  
*Beier Zhu, Rui Zhang.*  
US patent 2022.

12. Structure-coherent deep feature learning for robust face alignment.  
*C. Lin\*, B. Zhu\*, Q. Wang, R. Liao, C. Qian, J. Lu and J. Zhou*  
**TIP** 2021.

#### Corresponding-Authoried Publications

13. DEPO: Dual-efficiency preference optimization for LLM agents.  
*S. Chen, M. Zhao, L. Xu, Y. Zhao, †B. Zhu, H. Zhang, S. Zhao, C. Lu*  
**AAAI** 2026.
14. Benchmarking and bridging emotion conflicts for multimodal emotion reasoning.  
*Z. Han, †B. Zhu, Y. Xu, P. Song, X. Yang*  
**Oral, MM** 2025.
15. Unsupervised visual chain-of-thought reasoning via preference optimization  
*K. Zhao, †B. Zhu, Q. Sun, H. Zhang*  
**ICCV** 2025.
16. Fault location for radial distribution network via topology and reclosure-generating traveling waves.  
*S. Shi, †B. Zhu, A. Lei and X. Dong*  
**TSG** 2019.
17. Fault classification for transmission lines based on group sparse representation.  
*S. Shi, †B. Zhu, S. Mirsaedi and X. Dong*  
**TSG** 2018.

#### Others

18. Hierarchical semantic alignment for image clustering.  
*X. Zhu, B. Zhu, Y. Li, J. Fang, S. Wang, K. Zhao, H. Zhang*  
**AAAI** 2026.
19. Enhancing CLIP robustness via cross-modality alignment.  
*X. Zhu, B. Zhu, S. Wang, K. Zhao, H. Zhang*  
**Spotlight, NeurIPS** 2025.
20. Dynamic multimodal prototype learning in vision-language models.  
*X. Zhu, S. Wang, B. Zhu, M. Li, Y. Li, J. Fang, Z. Wang, D. Wang, H. Zhang*  
**ICCV** 2025.
21. Devils in middle layers of large vision-language models: interpreting, detecting and mitigating object hallucinations via attention lens.  
*Z. Jiang, J. Chen, B. Zhu, T. Luo, Y. Shen, X. Yang*  
**CVPR** 2025.
22. Stylestudio: text-driven style transfer with selective control of style elements  
*M. Lei, X. Song, B. Zhu, H. Wang, C. Zhang*  
**CVPR** 2025
23. Classes are not equal: an empirical study on image recognition fairness.  
*J. Cui, B. Zhu, X. Wen, X. Qi, B. Yu, H. Zhang*  
**CVPR** 2024
24. Leveraging modality-specific representations for audio-visual speech recognition via reinforcement learning.  
*C. Chen, Y. Hu, Q. Zhang, H. Zou, B. Zhu, E. Chng*  
**Oral, AAAI** 2023

**Mentoring and Supervision** **Xingyu Zhu**, P.h.D at USTC  
*Supervisor for papers accepted at MM 2024, NeurIPS 2024/2025, ICCV 2025, and AAAI 2026.*

**Kesen Zhao**, P.h.D at NTU  
*Supervisor for paper accepted at ICCV 2025.*

**Ruoyu Wang**, P.h.D at Westlake University  
*Supervisor for papers accepted at ICCV 2025 and NeurIPS 2025.*

**Zhiyuan Han**, P.h.D at USTC  
*Supervisor for paper accepted at MM 2025.*

**Sirui Chen**, P.h.D at Tongji University  
*Supervisor for paper accepted at AAAI 2026.*

**Service** *Journal Reviewer:* TPAMI, TIP, TMM, TCSV, TCE, IJCV, Information Fusion  
*Conference Reviewer:* CVPR, ICCV, AAAI, MM, UAI, AISTATS, NeurIPS (Top Reviewer 2025), ICLR, ICML.

**Awards** *Honorable Mention*, Nanyang Speech Forum, Singapore. 2023

	<i>AISG PhD Fellowship</i> , National Research Foundation, Singapore. <i>First Price Scholarship</i> , THU, China. <i>Scholarship</i> , China Scholarship Council, China.	2021 2018 2014
<b>Internship</b>	Research Intern, SenseTime, Beijing	Mar 2018 – Oct 2018
	Research Intern, Tencent YouTu Lab, Shanghai	Jul 2018 – Sep 2018
	Research Intern, MeiTuan, Beijing	Aug 2017 – Dec 2017

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