# Chonghao Qiu

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## **BIOGRAPHY**

I am currently a second-year master's student in the Department of Computer Science at the University of Pittsburgh, advised by Prof. Xiaowei Jia. Prior to this, I earned my B.S. from the National Taipei University of Technology. My research interests are in **data mining** and **machine learning**, with a focus on applying **knowledge-based methods** to solve real-world problems that have significant social and ecological impacts.

### **EDUCATION**

• University of Pittsburgh

Master of Science in Computer Science

Aug 2023 - May 2025

Pittsburgh, US

o GPA: 3.80/4.00

o Adviosr: Prof. Xiaowei Jia and Dr. Runlong Yu

National Taipei University of Technology

Bachelor of Science in Electronic Engineering

Sep 2019 - Jun 2023 Taipei, Taiwan

o GPA: 3.91/4.00

o Adviosrs: Prof. Lih-Jen Kau

PUBLICATIONS S=In Submission, C=Conference

- [S.1] Runlong Yu, Chonghao Qiu(first student author), Robert Ladwig, Paul Hanson, Yiqun Xie, Xiaowei Jia (2024). Physics-Guided Foundation Model for Scientific Discovery: An Application to Aquatic Science
- [C.1] Runlong Yu, Chonghao Qiu(first student author), Robert Ladwig, Paul Hanson, Yiqun Xie, Yanhua Li, and Xiaowei Jia (2024).
   Adaptive Process-Guided Learning: An Application in Predicting Lake DO Concentrations
   ICDM 2024 (regular paper acceptance rate 10%, two must accept and one should accept)
- [C.2] Tao Chen, Yongjie Yang, Chonghao Qiu, Xiaoran Fan, Xiuzhen Guo, Longfei Shangguan (2024). Enabling Hands-Free Voice Assistant Activation on Earphones MobiSys 2024 (acceptance rate 16.3%)

# RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

## Research Assistant - University of Pittsburgh

Jun 2024 - Present

Advisor: Prof. Xiaowei Jia and Dr. Runlong Yu

- Physics-Guided Foundation Model for Scientific Discovery: An Application to Aquatic Science Feb 2024 Aug 2024 Index Terms: foundation model
  - Research Problem: Existing Physics-guided ML models are limited in addressing complex systems with multiple interacting processes, like the link between water temperature and dissolved oxygen in lakes.
  - Approach: Proposed a Physics-Guided Foundation Model that integrates physics-based and ML models, using physics-consistent constraints and feature interaction.
- Adaptive Process-Guided Learning: An Application in Predicting Lake DO Concentrations

  Index Terms: physics-guided learning, adaptive learning

  [code]
- Research Problem: **Black-box ML** models often disregard **physical laws** when predicting lake dissolved **oxygen** concentrations, and the lack of **observational** data can further degrade the model's performance.
- Approach: Developed a physics-based framework that integrates daily oxygen mass variance and adaptive timesteps to stabilize data during turbulent flux fluctuations.

## Research Assistant - University of Pittsburgh

Advisor: Prof. Longfei Shangguan

• Enabling Hands-Free Voice Assistant Activation on Earphones

Aug 2023 - Apr 2024

Aug 2023 - Apr 2024

Index Terms: mobile devices.

- Research Problem: Enable hands-free voice activation on everyday earphones, minimizing accidental triggers from surrounding voices and noise.
- Approach: Created EarVoice, a small&low-cost mobile device that distinguishes the primary user's voice, using a "copy, paste, and adapt" approach for accurate wakeup recognition while preserving privacy.

# Research Assistant - National Taipei University of Technology

May 2022 - Feb 2023

Advisor: Prof. Lih-Jen Kau

• Physiological Monitoring Intelligent Computer Mouse

May 2022 - Feb 2023

Index Terms: embedded system, health.

[demo]

- Research Problem: Provide health monitoring for users who prefer not to wear smart devices by integrating heart rate, body temperature, and blood oxygen tracking into a computer mouse.
- Approach: Developed a **smart mouse** with PPG, temperature, and humidity sensors, displayed on a desktop APP, and stored historical data to provide health insights.

### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

• China United Network Communications Group

Jul 2021 - Aug 2021

Jiaxing, China

- Software Engineering Intern
- Composed APIs and performed online unit tests, collaborating with teams to design and maintain the user management system for the security center, optimizing security protocols and improving user experience.
- Developed and maintained the backend management platform, implementing role-based access control and integrating third-party security tools to enhance system monitoring and resilience.

## **SKILLS**

- Tools: PyTorch, TensorFlow, Linux, AWS, Keil5, SpringBoot, Vue.js, Git
- Programming Languages: Python, JavaSE, C, C#, SQL, MATLAB, JavaScript
- Language: Chinese(native), English(proficient, TOEFL iBT: 102)
- Relevant Courses: Data Mining, AI for Social Good(PhD level), Foundations of AI, NLP, Wide Area Networks, Database System, Software Security & Reverse Engineering, OS, Machine Learning, Signals and Systems, Electromagnetics, Electronics, Engineering Mathematics, Probability, Linear Algebra

## HONORS & AWARDS

- Undergraduate Dean's List Award for Fall 2019, Fall 2020, Spring 2021, and Spring 2022 (Top 1%)
- Outstanding Undergraduate Student Award 2023 (Top 1 in class)
- First Place in Graduation Project Exhibition 2023 (Top 1)

#### **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

- Volunteer Work: I am a registered volunteer in Taipei City.
- Interests: Music, Electric Guitar, Table Tennis, Fitness.