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## 🎓 EDUCATION

- **University of Connecticut** Aug. 2023 - present  
*Ph.D. student at ME, advised by Prof. Farhad Imani and Prof. Ruimin Chen* Storrs, CT
- **Boston University** Sep. 2021 - Aug. 2022  
*Master of Science in Applied Data Analytics* Boston, MA
- **Waterford Institute of Technology** Sep. 2020 - June. 2021  
*Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Software Engineering Practice* Waterford, Ireland
- **Nanjing University of Information Science & Technology** Sep. 2017 - June. 2021  
*Bachelor of Engineering in Software Engineering* Nanjing, China


## 🔍 RESEARCH INTERESTS

My research focuses on the intersection of machine learning and smart manufacturing, with particular emphasis on Vision-Language Models and robotics, especially in the areas of cooperative robotics and embodied robotic systems.

## 📖 PUBLICATIONS [GOOGLE SCHOLAR](#)

- [1] Zhiling Chen\*, Danny Hoang, Ruimin Chen, Farhad Imani. **Distributed Hyperdimensional Computing for Real-Time Data Aggregation and Interpretable Quality Monitoring in Manufacturing.** *IMECE* 2024.
- [2] Zhiling Chen\*, Danny Hoang, Fardin Jalil Piran, Ruimin Chen, Farhad Imani. **Federated Hyperdimensional Computing for Hierarchical and Distributed Quality Monitoring in Smart Manufacturing.** *Internet of Things*.
- [3] Zhiling Chen\*, Hanning Chen, Moshen Imani, Ruimin Chen, Farhad Imani. **Vision Language Model for Interpretable and Fine-grained Detection of Safety Compliance in Diverse Workplaces.** *Expert Systems with Applications*.
- [4] Fardin Jalil Piran\*, Zhiling Chen, Moshen Imani, Farhad Imani. **Privacy-preserving Federated Learning with Differentially Private Hyperdimensional Computing.** *Computers and Electrical Engineering*.
- [5] Zhiling Chen\*, Hanning Chen, Moshen Imani, Farhad Imani. **Can Multimodal Language Model be Guided to Improve Industrial Anomaly Detection?** *Arxiv [Under Review]*.
- [6] Kiarash Naghavi Khanghah\*, Zhiling Chen, Lela Romeo, Qian Yang, Rajiv Malhotra, Farhad Imani, Hongyi Xu. **Multimodal RAG-driven Anomaly Detection and Classification in Laser Powder Bed Fusion using Large Language Models.** *2025 DFMLC Best Paper Award*.
- [7] Zhiling Chen\*, Yang Zhang, Fardin Jalil Piran, Qianyu Zhou, Jiong Tang, Farhad Imani. **ScanBot: Towards Intelligent Surface Scanning in Embodied Robotic Systems.** *Arxiv [Under Review]*.

## 👤 EXPERIENCE

- **UConn ISCL Lab**  Aug. 2023 - Present  
*Research Assistant* Storrs, CT
  - Applications of Hyperdimensional Computing in Manufacturing
  - Applications of VLM and MLLM in Manufacturing

## 🏛️ TEACHING

- TA at UCONN Manufacturing Automation (ME3221) Aug. 2024 – Dec. 2024
- TA at UCONN Special Topics in MEM (ME3295) Jan. 2024 – May. 2024
- TA at UCONN Manufacturing Automation (ME3221) Aug. 2023 – Dec. 2023

## ⚙️ SKILLS

- **Programming Languages:** Python, Java, HTML, Javascript, R
- **Web Technologies:** React
- **Database Systems:** Mysql, Oracl
- **Deep Learning Packages:** Pytorch, TensorFlow

## 🔔 ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

**Languages:** English (Proficiency level), Mandarin (Native Speaker)

**Interests:** Snowboarding, boxing, climbing