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A PhD student at the National University of Singapore. A robotics and AI researcher

EDUCATION

National University of Singapore, Singapore

01/2024 - present

PhD in School of Computing, Advisior: Prof. Lin Shao

Tsinghua University, Beijing, China

08/2020 - 06/2023

Master in Department of Automation, Advisior: Prof. Feng Chen, GPA 3.74/4.0, Rank 39/161

Tsinghua University, Beijing, China

08/2016 - 07/2020

B.Eng. in Department of Automation, GPA 3.62/4.0, Rank 38/158

INTERNSHIP

Tsinghua Embodied AI Lab (TEA Lab)

Tsinghua University

Research Assistant (Supervisor: Prof. Huazhe Xu)

06/2023 - 01/2024

Equivariant Robot Learning for Manipulation Tasks

Mech-Mind Robotics

Beijing, China

Robot Algorithm Intern 03/2023 - 06/2023

Kinematic Parameter Identification for Serial Robot, Online 3D Bin Packing

Robot Perception and Learning Lab

University of Texas at Austin

Remote Research Intern (Supervisor: Prof. Yuke Zhu)

05/2022 - 02/2023

Robot Learning, Lifelong Robot Learning Benchmark

Interaction Lab

University of Southern California

Visiting Scholar (Supervisor: Prof. Maja Mataric)

06/2019 - 08/2019

Non-Verbal Communication Game for Cerebral Palsy

SELECTED HONORS

• President's Graduate Fellowship, National University of Singapore		
• Excellent Intern, Mech-mind Robotics	2023	
Excellent Graduates, Tsinghua University	2020	
Philobiblion Scholarship, Tsinghua University	2019	
Scientific and Technological Innovation Award, Tsinghua University	2019	
Third Place Award, Southern California Software Pioneer Hackathon	2019	
• Best Team Culture Award, International Aerial Robotics Competition (Asia-Pacific Venue)	2019	

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

• Teaching Assistant, CS4278/CS5278 Intelligent Robots: Algorithms and Systems, NUS 2024 Fall

• Teaching Assistant, Matrix Analysis and Application, Tsinghua University 2021 Spring & 2022 Fall

SKILLS

Python, C++, ROS, LATEX, PyTorch, Mujoco, Git

PUBLICATIONS

- 1. Chongkai Gao, Haozhuo Zhang, Zhixuan Xu, Zhehao Cai, Lin Shao, "FLIP: Flow-Centric Generative Planning for General-Purpose Manipulation Tasks", *in ICLR* 2025, [paper][website]
- 2. Chenrui Tie*, Yue Chen*, Ruihai Wu, Boxuan Dong, Zeyi Li, **Chongkai Gao**†, Hao Dong†, "**ET-SEED: Efficient Trajectory-Level SE(3) Equivariant Diffusion Policy**", *in ICLR 2025*, [paper][website]
- 3. Zhixuan Xu*, Chongkai Gao*, Zixuan Liu*, Gang Yang*, Chenrui Tie, Haozhuo Zheng, Haoyu Zhou, Weikun Peng, Debang Wang, Tianyi Chen, Zhouliang Yu, Lin Shao, "ManiFoundation Model for General-Purpose Robotic Manipulation of Contact Synthesis with Arbitrary Objects and Robots", in IROS, 2024, Oral Presentation, [paper][website]
- 4. Chongkai Gao, Zhengrong Xue, Shuying Deng, Tianhai Liang, Siqi Yang, Lin Shao, Huazhe Xu, "RiEMann: Near Real-Time SE(3)-Equivariant Robot Manipulation without Point Cloud Segmentation", in CoRL 2024, [paper][website]
- 5. Bo Liu*, Yifeng Zhu*, Chongkai Gao*, Yihao Feng, Qiang Liu, Peter Stone, Yuke Zhu, "LIBERO: Benchmarking Knowledge Transfer in Lifelong Robot Learning", NeurIPS Track Datasets and Benchmarks 2023, [paper][website]
- 6. Chongkai Gao, Zekun Li, Haichuan Gao, Feng Chen, "Iterative Interactive Modeling for Knotting Plastic Bags", in CoRL 2022, Best Systems Paper Nomination, [paper][website]
- 7. Chongkai Gao, Yizhou Jiang, Feng Chen, "Transfering Hierarchical Structure with Dual Meta Imitation Learning", in CoRL 2022, [paper]
- 8. Chongkai Gao, Haichuan Gao, Shangqi Guo, Tianren Zhang, Feng Chen, "CRIL: Continual Robot Imitation Learning via Generative and Prediction Model", *in IROS*, 2021, [paper]
- Zhenyu Wei*, Zhixuan Xu*, Jingxiang Guo, Yiwen Hou, Chongkai Gao, Zhehao Cai, Jiayu Luo, Lin Shao, "D(R, O)-Grasp: A Unified Representation of Robot and Object Interaction for Cross-Embodiment Dexterous Grasping", in ICRA 2025, [paper][website]
- 10. Tianren zhang, Yizhou Jiang, Xin Su, Shangqi Guo, **Chongkai Gao**, Feng Chen, "**Subjective Learning for Conflicting Data**", *in ICLR Workshop on Agent Learning in Open-Endedness*, 2022, [paper]