

# Yutong (Kelly) He

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## Education

- 2022 – 2027  
(Expected) **Carnegie Mellon University** – Pittsburgh, PA  
PhD in Machine Learning, School of Computer Science  
Advisors: Zico Kolter, Ruslan Salakhutdinov
- 2019 – 2022 **Stanford University** – Stanford, CA  
MS in Computer Science (with Distinction in Research)  
GPA: 4.26/4.30
- 2015 – 2019 **University of Rochester** – Rochester, NY  
BS in Mathematics (with Highest Distinction)  
BS in Data Science (with Highest Distinction)  
GPA: 3.95/4.00

## Honors and Scholarships

- 2022 Outstanding Paper at ICLR 2022
- 2021 2nd place in Alexa Prize Socialbot Grand Challenge 4
- 2020 Siebel Scholar 2020-2021
- 2019-2020 Best Project Awards at Stanford CS 229, CS 224N, CS 230
- 2019 Doris Ermine Smith Award for Achievement in Mathematics
- 2019 Phi Beta Kappa
- 2018 University of Rochester Research Presentation Award
- 2018 University of Rochester Discovery Grant
- 2017 Xerox Engineering Research Fellowship

## Publications

- 2022 **SatMAE: Pre-training Transformers for Temporal and Multi-Spectral Satellite Imagery**  
Yezhen Cong\*, Samar Khanna\*, Chenlin Meng, Patrick Liu, Erik Rozi, **Yutong He**, Marshall Burke,  
David B. Lobell, Stefano Ermon  
*Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS 2022)*
- 2022 **Understanding Economic Development in Rural Africa using Satellite Imagery, Building footprints and Deep Models**  
Amna Elmustafa, Erik Rozi, **Yutong He**, Gengchen Mai, Stefano Ermon, Marshall Burke, David Lobell  
*International Conference on Advances in Geographic Information Systems (ACM SIGSPATIAL 2022)*
- 2022 **Neural Generation Meets Real People: Building a Social, Informative Open-Domain Dialogue Agent**  
Ethan A. Chi, Caleb Chiam, Trenton Chang, Swee Kiat Lim, Chetanya Rastogi, Alexander Iyabor, **Yutong He**, Hari Sowrirajan, Avanika Narayan, Jillian Tang, Haojun Li, Ashwin Paranjape, Christopher D. Manning  
*The 23rd Annual Meeting of the Special Interest Group on Discourse and Dialogue (SIGDIAL 2022)*

- 2022 **Comparing Distributions by Measuring Differences that Affect Decision Making**  
Shengjia Zhao\*, Abhishek Sinha\*, **Yutong He\***, Aidan Perreault, Jiaming Song, Stefano Ermon  
*International Conference on Learning Representations (ICLR 2022)*  
**Outstanding Paper Award (Top 7/4492)**
- 2022 **SDEdit: Guided Image Synthesis and Editing with Stochastic Differential Equations**  
Chenlin Meng, **Yutong He**, Yang Song, Jiaming Song, Jiajun Wu, Jun-Yan Zhu, Stefano Ermon  
*International Conference on Learning Representations (ICLR 2022)*
- 2021 **Spatial-Temporal Super-Resolution of Satellite Imagery via Conditional Pixel Synthesis**  
**Yutong He**, Dingjie Wang, Nicholas Lai, William Zhang, Chenlin Meng, Marshall Burke, David B. Lobell, Stefano Ermon  
*Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS 2021)*
- 2021 **Tracking Urbanization in Developing Regions with Remote Sensing Spatial-Temporal Super-Resolution**  
**Yutong He\***, William Zhang\*, Chenlin Meng, Marshall Burke, David B. Lobell, Stefano Ermon  
*Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS 2021) workshop on Machine Learning for the Developing World (ML4D)*
- 2021 **Neural, Neural Everywhere: Controlled Generation Meets Scaffolded, Structured Dialogue**  
Ethan A. Chi, Caleb Chiam, Trenton Chang, Swee Kiat Lim, Chetanya Rastogi, Alexander Iyabor, **Yutong He**, Hari Sowrirajan, Avanika Narayan, Jillian Tang, Haojun Li, Ashwin Paranjape, Christopher D. Manning  
*Alexa Prize Proceedings 2021*
- 2020 **Fine-grained Image-to-Image Transformation towards Visual Recognition**  
Wei Xiong, **Yutong He**, Yixuan Zhang, Wenhan Luo, Lin Ma, and Jiebo Luo  
*International Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR 2020)*
- 2020 **Motion-based Handwriting Recognition and Word Reconstruction**  
Junshen Kevin Chen\*, Wanze Xie\*, **Yutong He\***  
*arXiv:2101.06025*

## Industry Experience

- Summer 2020 **Adobe Inc. (Machine Learning Engineer Intern)** – San Jose, CA  
Worked in Sensei & Search team on visual-textual search and recommendation for E-commerce.

## Teaching Experience

- Winter 2022 **CS 228: Probabilistic Graphical Models (Stanford)**  
TA and lecturer on Markov chain Monte Carlo
- Fall 2021 **CS 236: Deep Generative Models (Stanford)**  
TA and lecturer on neural networks
- Winter 2021 **CS 228: Probabilistic Graphical Models (Stanford)**  
TA and lecturer on Markov chain Monte Carlo
- Spring 2019 **CSC 249/449: Machine Vision (University of Rochester)**  
Teaching Assistant
- Fall 2018 **DSC 262/462: Computational Introduction to Statistics (University of Rochester)**  
Teaching Assistant

Spring 2018	<b>CSC 242/442: Data Mining (University of Rochester)</b> Teaching Assistant
Spring 2018	<b>MTH 150: Discrete Mathematics (University of Rochester)</b> Teaching Assistant
Fall 2017	<b>CSC 242/442: Artificial Intelligence (University of Rochester)</b> Teaching Assistant
Fall 2017	<b>CSC 261/461: Database System (University of Rochester)</b> Teaching Assistant
Fall 2017	<b>MTH 201: Introduction to Probability (University of Rochester)</b> Teaching Assistant
Spring 2017	<b>CSC 172: Data Structures and Algorithms (University of Rochester)</b> Workshop Leader
Spring 2017	<b>MTH 162: Calculus IIA (University of Rochester)</b> Workshop Leader
Fall 2016	<b>CSC 171: Introduction to Computer Science (University of Rochester)</b> Workshop Leader
Fall 2016	<b>MTH 141: Calculus I (University of Rochester)</b> Workshop Leader

## Leadership and Mentorship

2021	<b>Stanford AI4ALL (Computer Vision Mentor)</b> Led a group of high school students from under-represented populations to complete a hands-on research project in computer vision, and provided them exposure to a variety of AI topics, in-depth discussions of cutting-edge AI research, and exploration of the humanistic and societal impact of AI.
2021	<b>Stanford CURIS Program for Undergraduate Research (Mentor)</b> Mentored a group of undergraduate students on artificial intelligence research projects.
2020	<b>Stanford Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowship (Graduate Student Mentor)</b> Advised Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowship (SURF) scholars to reflect on their summer research/professional development experience, learn about the graduate school application process, and gain insight into graduate student life, specifically at Stanford.
2018-2019	<b>University of Rochester Computer Science Undergraduate Council (President)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Served as a representative of the undergraduate students in computer science community in University of Rochester and a bridge of communication between computer science undergraduate students and the graduate students, faculty members, other departments and other schools.</li> <li>Hosted university hackathons, department town halls, social events, and panels.</li> <li>Organized teams to attend international programming competitions.</li> </ul>
2018-2019	<b>University of Rochester Goergen Institute for Data Science (Peer Advisor)</b> Advised students on declaring majors, making connections with faculty members, reviewing research opportunities, and exploring interdisciplinary study.
2016-2019	<b>University of Rochester Computer Science Undergraduate Council (Tutor)</b> Held weekly voluntary tutoring session for computer science, mathematics, statistics courses.

## Technical Skills

### Programming languages

Python, Java, R, SQL, Bash, C/C++, MATLAB, CUDA, Lisp, HTML/CSS, JavaScript

### Software

L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X, Git, PyTorch, TensorFlow, Keras, Scikit-learn, RStudio, Jupyter Lab/Notebook, Gdb, Valgrind, Adobe Photoshop, Adobe Premiere Pro

### Languages

Chinese (fluent), English (fluent), Japanese (intermediate), Spanish (elementary)