

Xin Liang

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EDUCATION

Tongji University

Shanghai, China

Bachelor of Engineering in Software Engineering, GPA: 90/100, IELTS: 7

Sep. 2021 – July. 2025

- **Main Courses:** Linear Algebra, Advanced Mathematics, Probability and Statistics, Discrete Maths, Advanced Language Programming Practice, Data Structure, Algorithm, Operating System, Principles of Database and Applications, Computer Organization, User Interface Interaction, Principles of Compilers, Computer Architecture, Introduction to Artificial Intelligence, Speech Recognition, Introduction to Computer Vision, Software Engineering

Hong Kong University of Science and Technology

Hong Kong, China

Visiting Student, supervisor: Prof. Xiaojuan Ma

July 2023 – Aug. 2023

Tongji University

Shanghai, China

Freshman in Architecture and Urban Planning

Sep. 2020 – Sep. 2021

- **Main Courses:** Introduction to Architecture, Field Trip of Art Modeling, Art Modeling, Introduction of Design, Fundamentals of Design, Foundations of digital design

EXPERIENCE

Research Intern

Apr. 2024 – Current

University of Rochester, supervised by Chenliang Xu

United States

- Developed a simulation environment integrating a self-consuming loop for synergistic training between generative and classification models.
- Investigated the impact of synthetic data generation on bias in image classification models, focusing on subgroup bias analysis.
- Conducted hundreds of experiments on datasets including Colorized MNIST, CIFAR-20/100, and Hard ImageNet to assess fairness metrics across generations.

Research Intern

Jan. 2023 – Mar. 2024

MIT City Science Lab@Shanghai, supervised by Yan Zhang and Jiajie Li

REMOTE

- Developed and deployed a custom token named SCRBT on Sepolia testnet, involving smart contract creation in Solidity, deployment using Truffle, and interaction/verification via MetaMask.
- Developed and optimized modular **smart contracts** using Solidity and deployed ABDK Libraries to enhance computational capabilities, overcoming the limitations of floating-point operations in Solidity.
- Conducted extensive research into Decentralized Application (DApp) development, using tools like Hardhat to streamline smart contract interactions with front-end and back-end systems, contributing to the lab's innovative block-chain solutions.

Research Intern

Sep. 2017 – Aug. 2020

NaMI-Tongji Lab, supervised by Qingjiang Shi

Shanghai, China

- Prepared a patent for a pioneering differentiable neural architecture search method based on Zeroth-Order approximation, showcased in ICASSP 2023 Poster Session, demonstrating a significant contribution to the field of automated machine learning.
- Implemented an automatic machine learning method that notably reduced the time required to identify optimal neural network architectures, streamlining the development process and enhancing overall operational efficiency.
- Ensured the accuracy and reliability of the final neural architectures, validating the method's effectiveness in maintaining high performance standards while accelerating the architecture search process.

PROJECTS

CLGAN-based Black-Box Adversarial Sample Generation Study | Pytorch

Jan. 2024 – Current

- Contributed to a groundbreaking study on the susceptibility of Deep Neural Networks (DNNs) to adversarial attacks using the Critic-Leading Generative Adversarial Network (CLGAN).
- Assisted in developing the innovative CLGAN model with Python and PyTorch. Our findings demonstrated its ability to generate adversarial samples that can compromise black-box DNN models, outperforming existing methods in terms of evasion rate and efficiency.

ETH Beijing Hackathon 2023 | Blockchain, Web Development

Apr. 2023 – Apr. 2023

- Developed FactLENS, a decentralized news validation ecosystem. This included a user-friendly browser plugin and a comprehensive website, featuring advanced functionalities like user-contributed ratings and consensus mechanisms for truth verification.
- Worked collaboratively in a team to design, prototype, and present the FactLENS project, demonstrating effective use of agile methodologies

JourneyCam | *SwiftUI, Unity*

May 2023 – Sep. 2023

- Developed JourneyCam, a VR-Assisted Photography Teaching iOS App, which earned the Second Prize at the 2023 Mobile App Innovation Competition.
- Led a team through the design and development phases, ensuring a user-friendly interface and engaging experience. Utilized Swift and VR technologies to provide immersive, interactive photography tutorials, featuring customizable virtual scenarios and real-time feedback.

HONORS & AWARDS

2023 Mobile App Innovation Competition Second Prize <i>National Association for Computer Education in Colleges and Universities</i>	Sep. 2023
Second Prize of Asia Pacific Cup Mathematical Modeling <i>APMCM Organizing Committee</i>	May 2023
Third Prize of Shanghai National University Student Mathematical Modeling <i>Shanghai Municipal Education Commission</i>	Nov. 2022
”Internet+” Innovation and Entrepreneurship Competition Bronze Award <i>Tongji University</i>	Sep. 2022

PUBLICATIONS

- [1] **Xin Liang***, Zeliang Zhang*, Mingqiang Feng, Susan Liang, and Chenliang Xu *These authors contributed equally to this work. “Will the Inclusion of Generated Data Amplify Bias Across Generations in Future Image Classification Models?” In: *Submitted to ICLR 2025*.
- [2] Hejie Cui*, Lingjun Mao*, **Xin Liang**, Jieyu Zhang, Hui Ren, Quanzheng Li, Xiang Li, and Carl Yang.*These authors contributed equally to this work. *Biomedical Visual Instruction Tuning with Clinician Preference Alignment*. Submitted to NeurIPS 2024 Track Datasets and Benchmarks. 2024. URL: <https://BioMed-VITAL.github.io>.
- [3] Hanfang Lyu, Yuanchen Bai, **Xin Liang**, Ujaan Das, Chuhan Shi, Leiliang Gong, Yingchi Li, Mingfei Sun, Ming Ge, and Xiaojuan Ma. “FARPLS: A Feature-Augmented Robot Trajectory Preference Labeling System to Assist Human Labelers’ Preference Elicitation”. In: *Proceedings of the 29th International Conference on Intelligent User Interfaces*. IUI ’24. ACM, Mar. 2024. DOI: 10.1145/3640543.3645145. URL: <http://dx.doi.org/10.1145/3640543.3645145>.
- [4] Long Bai, Guankun Wang, Jie Wang, Xiaoxiao Yang, Huxin Gao, **Xin Liang**, An Wang, Mobarakol Islam, and Hongliang Ren. *OSSAR: Towards Open-Set Surgical Activity Recognition in Robot-assisted Surgery*. IEEE, 2024. DOI: 10.48550/arXiv.2402.06985. arXiv: 2402.06985. URL: <https://doi.org/10.48550/arXiv.2402.06985>.
- [5] Kejiang Qian, Lingjun Mao, **Xin Liang**, Yimin Ding, Jin Gao, Xinran Wei, Ziyi Guo, and Jiajie Li. *AI Agent as Urban Planner: Steering Stakeholder Dynamics in Urban Planning via Consensus-based Multi-Agent Reinforcement Learning*. 2023. arXiv: 2310.16772.

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Languages: Python, C/C++, SQL, JavaScript, HTML/CSS

Frameworks: React, Node.js, Flask, FastAPI, robosuite

Developer Tools: Git, Docker, Google Cloud Platform, VS Code, Visual Studio, PyCharm, Linux

Libraries: pandas, NumPy, Matplotlib