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RESEARCH INTEREST

Generative AI World Model, Diffusion, Vision-Language Model

Embodied AI Generalist Robot, Learning from Internet Video

PUBLICATION

Vista: A Generalizable Driving World Model with High Fidelity and Versatile Controllability

Shenyuan Gao, Jiazhi Yang, Li Chen, Kashyap Chitta, Yihang Qiu, Andreas Geiger, Jun Zhang, Hongyang Li

Accepted by NeurIPS 2024.

[\[Paper\]](#) [\[Demo\]](#) [\[Code\]](#) (300+ stars within 2 weeks)

Generalized Predictive Model for Autonomous Driving

Jiazhi Yang*, **Shenyuan Gao***, Yihang Qiu*, Li Chen, Tianyu Li, Bo Dai, Kashyap Chitta, Penghao Wu, Jia Zeng, Ping Luo, Jun Zhang, Andreas Geiger, Yu Qiao, Hongyang Li

Accepted by CVPR 2024 as *Highlight* (**Top 2.8%**).

[\[Paper\]](#) [\[Dataset\]](#)

Generalized Relation Modeling for Transformer Tracking

Shenyuan Gao, Chunlun Zhou, Jun Zhang

Accepted by CVPR 2023.

[\[Paper\]](#) [\[Code\]](#)

AiATrack: Attention in Attention for Transformer Visual Tracking

Shenyuan Gao, Chunlun Zhou, Chao Ma, Xinggang Wang, Junsong Yuan

Accepted by ECCV 2022.

[\[Paper\]](#) [\[Code\]](#)

Content-Aware Masked Image Modeling Transformer for Stereo Image Compression

Xinjie Zhang, **Shenyuan Gao**, Zhening Liu, Jiawei Shao, Xingtong Ge, Dailan He, Tongda Xu, Yan Wang, Jun Zhang

[\[Paper\]](#)

EXPERIENCE

OpenDriveLab

Research Intern

April 2023 - present

Shanghai, China

- Leader: Prof. Hongyang Li
- Worked on foundation models for autonomous driving.
- Experienced in large-scale training with hundreds of GPUs and thousands of hours of video data.
- Developed a driving world model with strong generalization to diverse scenarios and applications.

Hong Kong University of Science and Technology

Research Postgraduate Program

September 2022 - present

Hong Kong SAR, China

- Advisor: Prof. Jun Zhang (IEEE Fellow)
- Worked on object tracking and neural compression.
- Worked on multi-agent perception system.
- Proposed a generalized relation modeling formulation for Transformer-based tracking.
- Proposed a content-aware masked image modeling for bidirectional prior interaction.

Huazhong University of Science and Technology*Final Year Project for Bachelor Degree*

March 2022 - June 2022

Wuhan, China

- Advisor: Prof. Peng Yang
- Worked on the intersection of tracking and efficient deep learning.
- Proposed a slimmable tracker with hierarchical weight sharing.
- Awarded as outstanding graduation thesis.

University at Buffalo*Summer Research Intern*

July 2021 - March 2022

New York, United States (Remote)

- Advisor: Prof. Junsong Yuan (IEEE Fellow)
- Worked on object tracking.
- Proposed Attention in Attention to facilitate correspondence learning.

The University of Hong Kong, MMLab*HKU CS Summer Research Internship Programme*

July 2021 - August 2021

Hong Kong SAR, China (Remote)

- Advisor: Prof. Ping Luo
- Worked on the intersection of tracking and visual grounding.
- Completed the research project successfully with full stipend award.

EDUCATION

Hong Kong University of Science and Technology

Ph.D. in Electronic and Computer Engineering

Advised by Prof. Jun Zhang (IEEE Fellow)

2022 - 2026 (*expected*)**Huazhong University of Science and Technology**

B.Eng. in Electronic Information Engineering

Advanced Class (Elite Program for Information Science, 30/400)

2018 - 2022

GPA: 3.9/4.0

Rank: 1/30

HONORS AND AWARDS

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| • NeurIPS Top Reviewer | 2024 |
| • Full Postgraduate Scholarship | 2022-2026 |
| • RedBird PhD Scholarship | 2022-2023 |
| • Outstanding Graduate | 2022 |
| • Outstanding Graduation Thesis | 2022 |
| • Outstanding Undergraduate in Terms of Academic Performance (Top 1%) | 2019 |
| • National Scholarship (Top 2%) | 2019 |

ACADEMIC SERVICES

Conference Reviewer

ICLR 2025, NeurIPS 2023/2024, CVPR 2023/2024/2025, ECCV 2024, AAAI 2025, AISTATS 2025, ICPR 2024

Journal Reviewer

TPAMI, TMM, TCSVT, IMAVIS

CODING LANGUAGE

Python, PyTorch, HTML, L^AT_EX

MISC

During my undergraduate, I built and launched a personal blog on my own.

So far, I have posted about 177,000 words of notes and already received 150,000 views from 100,000 unique visitors.

I am a crazy fan of One Piece comics (not its animation).

I own 14 T-shirts with One Piece characters, which allows me to change for 2 weeks without repeating.