XINTAO WANG

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BIOGRAPHY

Xintao Wang (王鑫涛) is a fourth year Ph.D candidate at Fudan University in the School of Computer Science. He is deeply fascinated with ACG (Anime, Comics & Games) culture, and is committed to contributing to the ACG industry with AI techniques. His research interests primarily focus on both LLM reasoning and human-like, role-playing LLMs, including (but not limited to):

- Role-Playing Language Agents: Targeting at creating AI agents that faithfully represent specific personas, including: (1) Accurate and nuanced evaluation of LLMs' role-playing abilities; (2) Construction of high-quality persona datasets from established fictions; (3) Development of foundation models for advanced role-playing abilities; (4) Agent frameworks and applications for role-playing, such as multi-agent systems for creative storytelling.
- Cognitive Modeling in Language Models: Focusing on integrating anthropomorphic cognition into LLMs, such as ego-awareness, social intelligence, personalities, etc. The goal is to promote LLMs' understanding of the inner world of themselves and others, hence enabling them to generate more cognitively-aligned and human-like responses.

EDUCATION

Fudan University (Shanghai)

2021 - 2026 (estimated)

Major GPA: 3.87/4.0, Rank: 10/161

Ph.D. in School of Computer Science

- Ph.D. Advisor: Yanghua Xiao, Wei Wang
- Topics: Personas and Personalization of LLMs, Language Agents, Knowledge-guided Language Generation

Fudan University (Shanghai)

2017 - 2021

B.S. in School of Computer Science

- Advisor: Yanghua Xiao, Xipeng Qiu
- Topics: Language Models and Knowledge Graphs

EXPERIENCE

ByteDance, Seed

Mar 2025 - Present

• Role: Research Intern;

StepFun

July 2024 - Mar 2025

• Role: Research Intern;

• Responsibilities: Pushing the boundaries towards faithful role-playing LLMs for established characters. Building pipelines for data curation and role-playing evaluation.

Chat-Haruhi-Suzumiya (Open-source Project, 1.6k Stars)

Aug 2023 - Mar 2024

- Role: Research Team Leader;
- Responsibilities: Lead the research project on the personality analysis of role-playing language agents.

Selected Awards

Chinese National Scholarship (Top 1%)	2022
Excellent Graduates of Shanghai (Top 5%)	2022
Chinese National Scholarship (Top 1%)	2020
Huawei Scholarship (Top 3%)	2019
Hhctea Freshman Scholarship (Top 7%)	2017
Skills	

Programming Languages: Python (Proficient), C/C++ (Competent)

Tools & Libraries: Cursor, PyTorch, Transformers, LangChain

[*: Equal Contribution; †: Project Leader]

[1] CoSER: Coordinating LLM-Based Persona Simulation of Established Roles

Xintao Wang, Heng Wang, Yifei Zhang, Xinfeng Yuan, Rui Xu, Jen-tse Huang, Siyu Yuan, Haoran Guo, Jiangjie Chen, Wei Wang, Yanghua Xiao, Shuchang Zhou. Preprint, 2025

[2] From Persona to Personalization: A Survey on Role-Playing Language Agents

Jiangjie Chen*, **Xintao Wang***[†], Rui Xu*, Siyu Yuan*, Yikai Zhang*, Wei Shi*, Jian Xie*, Shuang Li, Ruihan Yang, Tinghui Zhu, Aili Chen, Nianqi Li, Lida Chen, Caiyu Hu, Siye Wu, Scott Ren, Ziquan Fu, Yanghua Xiao.

Survey Paper, in: TMLR 2024

[3] InCharacter: Evaluating Personality Fidelity in Role-Playing Agents through Psychological Interviews

Xintao Wang, Xiao Yunze, Jen-Tse Huang, Siyu Yuan, Rui Xu, Haoran Guo, Quan Tu, Yaying Fei, Ziang Leng, Wei Wang, Jiangjie Chen, Cheng Li, Yanghua Xiao. Long Paper, in: ACL 2024

[4] BookWorld: From Novels to Interactive Agent Societies for Creative Story Generation

Yiting Ran, **Xintao Wang***, Tian Qiu, Jiaqing Liang, Yanghua Xiao, Deqing Yang Preprint, 2025

[5] Prototypical concept representation

Xintao Wang, Jiaqing Liang, Yanghua Xiao, Wei Wang.

Long Paper, in: **TKDE 2022**

[6] Language Models as Knowledge Embeddings

Xintao Wang, Qianyu He, Jiaqing Liang, Yanghua Xiao. Regular Paper, in: IJCAI 2022

[7] Character is Destiny: Can Large Language Models Simulate Persona-Driven Decisions in Role-Playing?

Rui Xu, **Xintao Wang**, Jiangjie Chen, Siyu Yuan, Xinfeng Yuan, Jiaqing Liang, Zulong Chen, Xiaoqing Dong, Yanghua Xiao.

Preprint, 2024

[8] PowerAttention: Exponentially Scaling of Receptive Fields for Effective Sparse Attention

Lida Chen, Dong Xu, Chenxin An, **Xintao Wang**, Yikai Zhang, Jiangjie Chen, Zujie Liang, Feng Wei, Jiaqing Liang, Yanghua Xiao, Wei Wang Preprint, 2025

[9] Evaluating Character Understanding of Large Language Models via Character Profiling from Fictional Works

Xinfeng Yuan, Siyu Yuan, Yuhan Cui, Tianhe Lin, **Xintao Wang**, Rui Xu, Jiangjie Chen, Deqing Yang. Long Paper, in: **EMNLP 2024**

[10] Capturing Minds, Not Just Words: Enhancing Role-Playing Language Models with Personality-Indicative Data

Yiting Ran, **Xintao Wang**, Rui Xu, Xinfeng Yuan, Jiaqing Liang, Deqing Yang, Yanghua Xiao. Short Paper, in: **Findings of EMNLP 2024**

[11] Chain-of-Knowledge: Integrating Knowledge Reasoning into Large Language Models by Learning from Knowledge Graphs

Yifei Zhang*, **Xintao Wang***†, Jiaqing Liang, Sirui Xia, Lida Chen, Yanghua Xiao. Preprint, 2024

[12] Ground Every Sentence: Improving Retrieval-Augmented LLMs with Interleaved Reference-Claim Generation

Sirui Xia, **Xintao Wang**, Jiaqing Liang, Yifei Zhang, Weikang Zhou, Jiaji Deng, Fei Yu, Yanghua Xiao. Findings of NAACL, 2025

[13] Light Up the Shadows: Enhance Long-Tail Entity Grounding with Concept-Guided Vision-Language Models

Yikai Zhang, Qianyu He, **Xintao Wang**, Siyu Yuan, Jiaqing Liang, Yanghua Xiao. Long Paper, in: **Findings of ACL 2024**

[14] Maps-kb: A million-scale probabilistic simile knowledge base

Qianyu He, **Xintao Wang**, Jiaqing Liang, Yanghua Xiao Regular Paper, in: **AAAI 2023**

[15] Source Prompt: Coordinated Pre-training of Language Models on Diverse Corpora from Multiple Sources

Yipei Xu, Dakuan Lu, Jiaqing Liang, Jin Zhao, **Xintao Wang**, Hengkui Wu, Ken Chen, Liujiang Liu, Yingsi Xin, Xuepeng Liu, Yanghua Xiao, Zhixu Li Regular Paper, in: **CIKM 2024**

[16] Knowledgpt: Enhancing large language models with retrieval and storage access on knowledge

Xintao Wang, Qianwen Yang, Yongting Qiu, Jiaqing Liang, Qianyu He, Zhouhong Gu, Yanghua Xiao, Wei Wang Preprint, 2023

[17] SurveyAgent: A Conversational System for Personalized and Efficient Research Survey Xintao Wang*†, Jiangjie Chen*, Nianqi Li, Lida Chen, Xinfeng Yuan, Wei Shi, Xuyang Ge, Rui Xu, Yanghua Xiao. Preprint, 2024