SEN ZHANG

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EDUCATION

Johns Hopkins University – Baltimore, MD

Jan 2024 – May 2025

• Master of Science in Engineering in Computer Science

University of South Carolina – Columbia, SC

Jan 2020 – Dec 2023

• Bachelor of Science in Computer Science

SKILLS

- **Programming Languages:** Java, Python, C, C++
- Web Development: HTML, CSS, React, Django
- Databases: MySQL
- AI & Machine Learning: Machine Learning, Deep Learning, PyTorch
- Tools & Platforms: Git, Linux/Unix
- Key Courses: Computer Architecture, Data Structure, Algorithms, Operating System, Big Data Analytics.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Dwight Bergles Lab, Researcher Assistant – Baltimore, MD

Jun 2024 – Present

- Developed a machine-learning analysis tool for processing mouse brain imaging data, focusing on measuring nodal widths and distances across various brain regions.
- **Developed** an automated detection algorithm of nodes and nodal gaps with a **target of over 99% accuracy** to enable precise assessment of changes associated with motor learning.
- Utilized Vision Transformer models and YOLOv8 (state-of-the-art technologies) to advance medical image classification and detection, enhancing the robustness of data analysis and interpretation.

University of South Carolina's iMSEL Lab, Researcher Assistant - Columbia, SC

Jul 2022 – Dec 2023

- Achieved over 90% accuracy in real-time detection of railway spikes and clips by implementing dual-model training, exceeding Federal Railroad Administration standards.
- Enhanced real-time detection frequency from 50 to 80 frames per second and improved image sharpness by 25% through advanced techniques like histogram equalization, compared with state-of-the-art models (YOLO, Faster R-CNN).
- **Developed the lab's website**, increasing user engagement by 150% through the integration of dynamic graphs and data visualization tools, while ensuring full compatibility across all devices.

Henan Expressway design Co., LTD, Digital Information intern – Henan, China

May 2023 – Aug 2023

- **Developed comprehensive databases** and processed data for over 500 kilometers of highway, enhancing decision-making for operational and maintenance strategies.
- Created a scoring system that improved the accuracy of highway condition assessments by 20%, aiding in better prioritization and decision-making of maintenance tasks.
- **Optimized rescue team placement**, resulting in a 15% improvement in response time and efficiency through data-driven analysis of traffic patterns and highway conditions.

PUBLICATIONS

- "Brain-wide mapping of oligodendrocyte organization and oligodendrogenesis across the murine lifespan" is under review as fifth author in Cell
- J. Guo, S. Zhang, N. Amiri, L. Yu, and Y. Wang" An Adversarial Transformer for Anomalous Wave Patten Detection", Neural Networks, https://doi.org/10.1016/j.neunet.2025.107153.
- J. Guo, **S. Zhang**, Y. Qian, and Y. Wang" *A NanoDet Model with Adaptively Weighted Loss for Real-time Railroad Inspection*", https://doi.org/10.36001/phmconf.2023.v15i1.3498.
- J. Guo, S. Zhang, Y. Qian, and Y. Wang, "An Adaptively Weighted Loss-enabled Lightweight Teacher-Student Model for Real-time Railroad Inspection on Edge Devices", Neural Computing and Applications