Yu Li

Education

Wuhan University, Hongyi Honor College

Wuhan, China

B.Eng. in Microelectronics Science and Technology

Sept 2021 - Jun 2025

o GPA: 3.86/4.0; Ranking 2/25

University of California, Berkeley

Berkeley, CA

Visiting Undergraduate Student

Jan 2024 - May 2024

• Coursework: Intro to Digital Design and Integrated Circuits(EECS151), Linear Integrated Circuits(EE140), Electronic Materials Characterization(Graduate level)

Research Experiences

Embedded & Cyber-Physical Systems Lab Z, UC Irvine

Irvine, CA

Advisor: Prof. Mohammad Al Faruque

May 2024 - Present

Project: Multimodal Sensor Fusion for Autonomous Driving

- Performed out-of-distribution detection based on multimodal datasets of autonomous driving scenarios to simulate anomaly scenarios.
- Developed an LVLM model for anomaly detection in adverse weather conditions and constructed a framework for autonomous driving scene anomaly detection.
- Proposed a camera-lidar multimodal fusion method, significantly improving stability and accuracy.

Laser and Ultrafast Imaging Lab Z, Wuhan University

Wuhan, China

Advisor: Prof. Cheng Lei

Sept. 2023 - Jul. 2024

Project: Medical Ultrasound Image Segmentation

- Collaborated with radiologists to construct a new ultrasound image segmentation dataset.
- Leveraged SAM's fine-grained segmentation capabilities to enhance feature extraction, effectively overcoming challenges posed by insufficient medical imaging data.
- Designed a Wisefusion module to integrate SAM features into the Transformer architecture, achieving stateof-the-art results on the BUSI dataset (mIOU >90%), and strong performance on the newly constructed dataset.

Project: Self-Supervised Depth Estimation in Endoscopy

- Utilized a knowledge distillation framework, combined DDIM loss from the diffusion model with distillation loss and photometric loss to guide denoising in endoscopic scenes.
- Leveraged discriminative priors from the teacher model to further enhance the denoising process, improving the overall accuracy.

Yang Research Lab Z,UC Davis

Davis, CA

Advisor: Prof. Weijian Yang

Jul. 2023 - Jul. 2024

Project: Monte Carlo-Based SpO2 Measurement Model

- Constructed a 3D model of blood vessels in MATLAB with layer-specific optical absorption parameters, and performed Monte Carlo simulations to generate time-of-flight (TOF) curves.
- Developed a neural network to map absorption parameters to TOF values, allowing vessel characteristics prediction, and computed SpO2 using the Modified Beer-Lambert Law (MBLL).
- Devised an adaptive algorithm to separate mixed signals from mother and baby for SpO2 calculation, and deployed the system on portable detection devices for real-time monitoring with a model error under 5%.

Riscv Lab, Wuhan University

Wuhan, China

Advisor: Prof. Wei Liu

Oct. 2022 - Jul. 2023

Project: Electrocardiogram (ECG) Image Classification

- Collected dual-lead ECG signals from the MIT-BIH database, enhanced data using GANs, and developed a lightweight model for real-time ECG-based preliminary diagnosis, deployed on embedded devices.
- Built an XGBoost-based diagnostic model after comparing AdaBoost, CatBoost, and random forests, and designed a voting system with four XGBoost models, achieving 97.4% accuracy with limited resources.

Selected Independent Projects

Efficient OCR Optimization with LoRA

Feb. 2024 - May 2024

- Fine-tuned the pre-trained TrOCR model on a custom dataset of handwritten, printed, and complex scene texts.
- Optimized the image encoder and text decoder with DoRA and LoRA methods, reducing trainable parameters using Parameter-Efficient Fine-Tuning (PEFT).
- Achieved 84.63% accuracy on complex scene datasets, validating the state-of-the-art performance of DLoRA-TrOCR.

RISC-V Based 3-Stage CPU Processor Design 🗹

Mar. 2024 - May 2024

- Designed a 3-stage RISC-V CPU pipeline in Verilog, and developed a testbench to verify ALU functionality.
- Integrated a direct-mapped cache using SRAM to support RISC-V instructions, CSRs, and basic functionality. Synthesized and optimized the Verilog design using VLSI tools.

Two-Stage Amplifier Design for LCD Driver Z

Mar. 2024 - May 2024

- Calculated required gain and slew rate for a two-stage amplifier based on specifications.
- Selected and optimized circuit components (PMOS/NMOS) using MATLAB scripts.
- Tuned parameters in Cadence, ensuring compliance with design rules and optimal performance.

FPGA-based Image Acquisition and Hardware Acceleration

Mar. 2023 - Jul. 2023

- Trained a YOLOv5 model on traffic light images, achieving over 95% accuracy, and developed a PCIe driver to efficiently transmit HDMI data from FPGA to the host computer.
- Accelerated image recognition on FPGA, storing the results in DDR4 memory for real-time vehicle detection.

Publications

C=Conference, J=Journal, S=In Submission, †=Equal Contribution

- [J.1] S. Lv, S. Zeng, Y. Li, K. Yang, and Y. Chen. Local Optimum Time-Reassigned Synchrosqueezing Transform for Bearing Fault Diagnosis of Rotating Equipment. In IEEE Sensors Journal.
- [J.2] Y. Li, J. Huang, D. Wang, L. Mei, and C. Lei. Dual branch SAM-Transformer Fusion Network for Accurate Breast Ultrasound Image Segmentation. Conditional Accept in Medical Physics.
- [C.1] Y. Li[†], D. Chang[†]. DLoRA-TrOCR: Mixed Text Mode Optical Character Recognition Based On Transformer. In International Conference on Neural Information Processing (ICONIP), 2024.
- [C.2] Y. Li, Y. Hu, J. Chen, B. Wang, and W. Liu. ECG Classification with Dual Models: XGBoost Voting and Deep Learning with Attention. In *ICACTE*, 2023.
- [S.1] Y. Li†, J. Wang†, P. Khargonekar, and M. A. A. Faruque. FusionUQ: Uncertainty-Aware Multi-modal Sensor Fusion for Adaptive Autonomous Systems with Vision-Language Model. Submitted to CVPR 2025.
- [S.2] D. Chang[†], Y. Li[†]. AlphaAdam:Asynchronous Masked Optimization with Dynamic Alpha for Selective Updates. Submitted to ICML 2025.
- [S.3] Y. Li, D. Chang, J. Huang, L. Dong, D. Wang, L. Mei, and C. Lei. SfMDiffusion: Self-Supervised Monocular Depth Estimation in Endoscopy Based on Diffusion Models. Revision & Resubmitted in *International Journal of Computer Assisted Radiology and Surgery*.
- [S.4] J. Huang, X. Li, and Y. Li. Windowed Self-Attention Guided Multi-Scale Feature Stream Alignment Network for Ultrasound Image Segmentation. Under Review in *Biomedical Signal Processing and Control*.

Patents

[P.1] Y. Li. Energy-saving calculation method, energy-saving controller, terminal and medium for split air conditioner. China Invention Patent, CN202310099177.0, filed Jan 30, 2023, issued February 23, 2024.

Honors & Scholarships

Innova International Exchange Scholarship, 6 recipients university-wide
Innova Excellence Scholarship, Top 3%, twice

2023, 2024

2024

• First-Class Scholarship, Top 5%, 3 times

2022, 2023, 2024

• Academic Excellence Scholarship, Top 5%, 3 times

2022, 2023, 2024

Skills

- $\circ\,$ Languages: English (TOEFL 110), Chinese (Native), Japanese (Basic)
- **Programming:** Python, C/C++, Matlab, Verilog
- o Tools & Platforms: Ubuntu, FPGA, Docker, Git, Cadence, Vivado
- o Libraries: Pytorch, Tensorflow, OpenCV, Scikit-learn