Xiaoqin Feng (冯小琴)

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Curriculum Vitae

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Introduction

I am a Master's student in Artificial Intelligence at the University of Southern California. My research interests focus on applying AI to real-world scenarios, particularly in large language model (LLM) agents, robotics, speech processing, data engineering, and evaluation/application. I have gained hands-on industry experience in these areas and am committed to advancing the field of artificial intelligence through rigorous study and original research.

EDUCATION

Master Student in Artificial Intelligence (M.Sc.)

University of Southern California USC

Master Student in Software Engineer (M.Sc.)

Beijing University of Technology BJUT; overall grade: 86 (max. 100) between "Very Good" and "Good"

Bachelor Student in Computer Science (B.Eng.)

Southwest Minzu University SMU; overall grade: 3.66 (max. 4.0), "Top 5" of 154 students

Sep. 2025 - May. 2027

Los Angeles, California, United States

Sep. 2016 - May. 2019

Sep. 2012 - Jul. 2016

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Chengdu, China

Beijing, China

Professional Experience

Part-time Consultant

[Mobvoi]

Aug. 2025 - Present

Los Angeles, US

· Team: Support product decision-making by focusing on model optimization, multi-agent systems, and real-time information tracking.

Tech Lead May. 2023 – Jul. 2025

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Beijing, China

- Agent: Developed a multi-agent system incorporating the OpenAI Agent framework and MCP protocol stack, enabling task-oriented interaction and tool-based reasoning in production settings.
- Audio LLMs: Led the research and development of large-scale audio models integrated with LLMs, focusing on expressive speech generation, temporal alignment, and zero-shot audio prompting.
- Data Engineering: Designed and deployed scalable, plug-and-play multimodal data pipelines (text, audio, image), supporting flexible dataset generation for model pretraining and evaluation.
- Model Evaluation & Optimization: Designed comprehensive performance evaluations of multimodal algorithms and products to drive continuous optimization and ensure product quality.
- **Team Leadership**: Managed cross-functional teams and coordinated requirement communication in applied AI projects. Coordinated team efforts to translate research insights into deployable AI systems.

Senior Speech algorithm Engineer

Jul. 2019 - May. 2023

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Beijing, China

- Speech Synthesis(TTS): Developed algorithms for multilingual and control TTS in style, emotion, prosody and G2P
- Natural Language Processing(NLP): Developed algorithms for audio tokenization, TN(text normalization), polyphone disambiguation, prosody modeling, emotion detection, style sequence modeling as "Unified Frontend" framework.
- Developer: Designed and maintained scalable TTS and NLP systems, integrating advanced features such as control-TTS and paragraph-TTS.
- Mentor: working with 3 interns (annual) in NLP and Text-to-speech(TTS)

Algorithm Research(Intern)

Aug. 2018 - Dec. 2018

TAL AI Lab

Beijing, China

- Graph-based Learning: Developed a Deep Knowledge Tracing (DKT) pipeline using graph embeddings and distance metrics to evaluate student knowledge progression.
- Key results: Co-authored paper accepted at AIED 2019; awarded 'Outstanding Intern' of the year.

EXPERTISE AND SKILLS

- Agent: Prompt engineering, tool-based reasoning, agent orchestration (OpenAI Agent, MCP framework); Task decomposition, LLM integration, multimodal interaction design
- NLP & Speech: Classification; Sequence Prediction; Joint-learning; Multi-stage learning; Multilingual speech synthesis & controllable TTS;
- · Data & Evaluation: Large-scale multimodal dataset construction; Evaluation of multimodal generation
- Software Development: System design, Engineering, Service deployment
- Language: Python (5+ yrs), C++ (4+ yrs), Shell, Git; I speak native Mandarin; elementary English.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Lecture - Embedded System Design Practice

2018 Winter

As teaching assistant at BJUT, for M.Sc. students, approx. 80 students each year.

Company - Speech & NLP

2021-present

Annual

As a mentor at Mobvoi, for interns (students), annual. 3 students.

Publications

Proceedings

- Feng X, Xie R, Sheng J, et al. *Population statistics algorithm based on MobileNet.* Journal of Physics: Conference Series. IOP Publishing, 2019, 6 pages. ICSP'2019.
- Wang Z, Feng X, Tang J, et al. *Deep Knowledge Tracing with Side Information*. International conference on artificial intelligence in education. Springer, Cham, 2019, 5 pages. AIED'2019.
- Rong Xie, Feng X A method of quick edge detection based on Zynq. International Conference on Cloud Computing and Internet of Things, 2018, 5
 pages. CCIOT'2018
- Sheng J, Feng X Research on the Internet of Things Platform for Smart and Environmental Protection. International Conference on Cloud Computing and Intelligence Systems, 2018, 5 pages. CCIS'2018
- Chi W, Feng X(*equal contribution), Chen Y, et al. Multi-granularity Semantic and Acoustic Stress Prediction for Expressive TTS. In proceedings of APSIPA 2023, 5 pages. APSIPA'2023
- Wang D, <u>Feng X</u>, Liu Z, et al. 2M-NER: contrastive learning for multilingual and multimodal NER with language and modal fusion[J]. Applied Intelligence, 2024: 1-17. 5 pages Applied Intelligence'2024
- Xinsheng Wang, Feng X, et al. Spark-TTS: An Efficient LLM-Based Text-to-Speech Model with Single-Stream Decoupled Speech Tokens, 2025, 22 pages arXiv preprint

Patents

- main 6 First inventor patents: CN111078898A CN110970013A CN111145724A CN115470351A CN115470350A CN115547289A
- $\bullet \ \ \, \textbf{other 4 Co-inventor patents} \colon CN111079428A \ \ \, CN111178042A \ \, CN115578998A \ \ \, CN116013251A \\$

Theses

- Xiaoqin Feng. 2019. Research on multi-scene video intelligent processing system and scheduling management algorithm. In the Institute of Software Engineering. Beijing University of Technology. 78 pages. Master Thesis. https://kns.cnki.net/master_thesis.pdf
- Xiaoqin Feng. 2016. *Intelligent Laboratory Management System*. In the Institute of Computer Science and Engineering. Southwest Minzu University. 37 pages. **Bachelor Thesis**.