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EDUCATION

- 2024–present **Carnegie Mellon University**
Ph.D. in Human-Computer Interaction, School of Computer Science
Advisors: Hirokazu Shirado & Sauvik Das
- 2023 **University of California, Berkeley**
Research Intern
Advisor: Coye Cheshire
- 2020–2024 **Tsinghua University**
B.S. in Computer Science, Computer Science and Technology Department
Advisors: Chun Yu & Yuanchun Shi

PUBLICATIONS

Conference

- [C2] **Spontaneous Giving and Calculated Greed in Language Models**
EMNLP '25 Yuxuan Li, Hirokazu Shirado
Conference on Empirical Methods in Natural Language Processing, 2025
Oral Presentation
- [C1] **Actions Speak Louder than Words: Agent Decisions Reveal Implicit Biases**
FAccT '25 **in Language Models**
Yuxuan Li, Hirokazu Shirado, Sauvik Das
ACM Conference on Fairness, Accountability, and Transparency, 2025

Preprint

- [P5] **What Makes LLM Agent Simulations Useful for Policy? Insights From an**
CHI '26 **Iterative Design Engagement in Emergency Preparedness**
Yuxuan Li, Sauvik Das, Hirokazu Shirado
Under review at ACM Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems, 2026
- [P4] **HiddenBench: Assessing Collective Reasoning in Multi-Agent LLMs via**
ICLR '26 **Hidden Profile Tasks**
Yuxuan Li, Aoi Naito, Hirokazu Shirado
Under review at International Conference on Learning Representations, 2026

- [P3] **CoSim: LLM-based Simulation System Trains Student Counselors to Communicate with College Students Experiencing Stress and Anxiety**
CHI '26 Jie Cai, Wenjing Deng, Yunfei Chen, Yanshan Lin, Dongzhe Zheng, He Zhang, Yuxuan Li[°], John M. Carroll, Weite Zhang, Chun Yu ([°]denotes corresponding author)
Under review at ACM Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems, 2026
- [P2] **A Human-Computer Collaborative Tool for Training a Single Large Language Model Agent into a Network through Few Examples**
ARXIV '24 Lihang Pan*, Yuxuan Li*, Chun Yu, Yuanchun Shi (*denotes equal contribution)
arXiv, 2024
- [P1] **Say Your Reason: Extract Contextual Rules In Situ for Context-aware Service Recommendation**
ARXIV '24 Yuxuan Li, Jiahui Li, Lihang Pan, Chun Yu, Yuanchun Shi
arXiv, 2024

AWARDS & HONORS

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| 2023 | Academic Excellence Scholarship
Tsinghua University |
| 2022 | Academic Excellence Scholarship
Tsinghua University |
| 2021 | Athletic Excellence Scholarship
Tsinghua University |
| 2020 | Freshman Scholarship
Tsinghua University |

WORKSHOPS ORGANIZED

- [W1] **PoliSim@CHI 2026: LLM Agent Simulation for Policy**
CHI 2026 Yuxuan Li, Wesley Hanwen Deng, Xuhui Zhou, Kevin Klyman, Chun Yu, Yuanchun Shi, Nicholas Vincent, Amy X. Zhang, Maarten Sap, Sauvik Das, Hirokazu Shirado
Under review at ACM Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems, 2026

MEDIA COVERAGE

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| 2025 | Study: AI Models Show 60% Drop in Cooperation When Reasoning
By <i>AI Buzz</i> |
| 2025 | Is AI Becoming Selfish? CMU Researchers Discover Certain AI Models Adopt Self-Seeking Behavior
By <i>CMU SCS News</i> |

MENTORSHIP

- 2025–present **Leyang Li**, undergrad at University of Notre Dame
Ongoing project for IEEE S&P 2026
- 2025–present **Jason Alexander**, undergrad at University of Massachusetts, Amherst
Ongoing project for FAccT 2026

INVITED TALKS AND GUEST LECTURES

- 11/2025 **Spontaneous Giving and Calculated Greed in Language Models**
Carnegie Mellon University, Foundations of Cooperative AI Lab
- 10/2025 **Examine Machine Behavior and Simulate Society with Social Agents**
Georgia Institute of Technology, Graph Computation and Machine Learning Lab
- 10/2025 **Examine Machine Behavior and Simulate Society with Social Agents**
Carnegie Mellon University, Social Web Course
- 10/2025 **Examine Machine Behavior and Simulate Society with Social Agents**
Carnegie Mellon University, FEAT (Fairness, Ethics, Accountability, Transparency) AI Seminar
- 06/2025 **Actions Speak Louder than Words: Agent Decisions Reveal Implicit Biases in Language Models**
Microsoft Research, alt.FAccT
- 11/2024 **A Practical Guide to Building Social Agents**
Carnegie Mellon University, Social Agent Course