

# Erli Zhang

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## EDUCATION

### National University of Singapore

PhD in School of Biomedical Engineering (Supervisor: Asst Prof Jin Yueming)  
Research focus: Surgical Video Generation, Surgical Foundation Models

**Singapore**  
August 2024 - Now

### Nanyang Technological University

Bachelor of Engineering in Computer Science with Honours (Highest Distinction)  
*Specialization:* Artificial Intelligence and Data Science & Analytics  
GPA: 4.7/5

**Singapore**  
August 2020 - June 2024

## PUBLICATIONS

### Surgical SAM 2: Real-time Segment Anything in Surgical Video by Efficient Frame Pruning

*In Proceedings of AIM-FM Workshop @ NeurIPS 2024*

Code: [github.com/jinlab-imvr/Surgical-SAM-2](https://github.com/jinlab-imvr/Surgical-SAM-2), Preprint: [arxiv.org/abs/2408.07931](https://arxiv.org/abs/2408.07931)

### Q-Instruct: Improving Low-level Visual Abilities for Multi-modality Foundation Models

*In Proceedings of Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition Conference (CVPR) 2024*

Code: [github.com/Q-Future/Q-Instruct](https://github.com/Q-Future/Q-Instruct), Preprint: [arxiv.org/abs/2311.06783](https://arxiv.org/abs/2311.06783)

### Q-Bench: A Benchmark for General-Purpose Foundation Models on Low-level Vision

*In Proceedings of International Conference on Learning Representation (ICLR) 2024*

Code: [github.com/Q-Future/Q-Bench](https://github.com/Q-Future/Q-Bench), Preprint: [arxiv.org/abs/2309.14181](https://arxiv.org/abs/2309.14181)

### Towards Explainable Video Quality Assessment: a Database and a Language-prompt Approach

*In Proceedings of ACM International Conference of Multimedia (ACMMM) 2023*

Code: [github.com/VQAssessment/MaxVQA](https://github.com/VQAssessment/MaxVQA), Preprint: [arxiv.org/abs/2305.12726](https://arxiv.org/abs/2305.12726)

### Exploring Video Quality Assessment of User Generated Contents from Aesthetic and Technical Perspectives

*In Proceedings of IEEE International Conference on Computer and Vision (ICCV) 2023*

Code: [github.com/VQAssessment/DOVER](https://github.com/VQAssessment/DOVER), Preprint: [arxiv.org/abs/2211.04894v3](https://arxiv.org/abs/2211.04894v3)

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCES

### S-Lab for Advanced Intelligence, Nanyang Technological University

Research Student

January 2023 - June 2024

Supervisor: Prof Lin Weisi

- Conducted research on enhancing low-level vision capabilities in multi-modality foundation models
- Advanced video quality assessment methodologies, introducing explainable frameworks and databases tailored to user-generated content

### Center for Cognition, Vision, and Learning, Johns Hopkins University

Research Student

July 2023 - December 2023

Supervisor: Prof Alan L. Yuille

- Analysed robustness dynamics in sequential learning models, measuring resilience across new tasks compared to jointly trained neural models.
- Adapted and evaluated robustness enhancement techniques within continual learning frameworks, assessing their effectiveness in maintaining model stability during sequential task acquisition.

### Institute for Infocomm Research, Agency for Science, Technology and Research

AI Research Engineer

July 2022 – June 2023

Supervisor: Dr Huang Weimin

- Conducted research in medical image processing, with a focus on advancing mammogram analysis techniques.
- Designed a predictive model using weakly semi-supervised learning and transformers to assess breast cancer risk across multiple time points, integrating traditional mammograms with key risk factors and clinical data.