Xunzhe Zhou

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EDUCATION

Fudan University Shanghai, China

• B.S. in Computer Science and Technology, GPA 3.55/4.00 (Average grade 89/100)

2021.09 - now

• Natural Science Experimental Class, GPA 3.58/4.00

2020.09 - 2021.06

Scholarship: Second (Top 10%), Third (Top 25%) Prize of the Scholarship for Outstanding Students at Fudan University.

University of California, Berkeley

Berkeley, CA, USA

• Exchange student, Department of EECS, GPA 4.00/4.00

2023.08 - 2023.12

Graduate courses: CS282A Deep Learning, EECS227A Optimization; Undergraduate course: CS188 Artificial Intelligence.

PUBLICATIONS (* denotes equal contribution)

- Xunzhe Zhou*, J. Chen*, C. Yu*, T. Xu, Y. Mu, M. Hu, W. Shao, Y. Wang, G. Li, L. Shao, "EMOS: Embodiment-aware Heterogeneous Multi-robot Operating System with LLM Agents", in submission. (arXiv:2410.22662)
- Q. He, J. Zeng, W. Huang, L. Chen, J. Xiao, Q. He, <u>Xunzhe Zhou</u>, J. Liang, Y. Xiao "Can Large Language Models Understand Real-World Complex Instructions?" accepted by *AAAI 2024*. (<u>arXiv:2309.09150v2</u>)
- <u>Xunzhe Zhou*</u>, R. Cao*, J. Hou, C. Guan, S. Leng, "Reservoir computing as digital twins for controlling nonlinear dynamical systems", in submission.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

School of Computing, National University of Singapore

Singapore, Singapore

Advisor: Prof. Lin Shao

2024.05 - now

- Constructed a heterogeneous multi-robot collaborating system with LLM agents in *Habitat-lab*. I was responsible for from low-level robot actions to high-level multi-agent task planning. I also constructed the *Habitat-MAS* benchmark dataset.
- Built a task planning framework with embodiment-aware visual prompting in *Habitat-lab*. Now working on aggregating learned skills to novel skills and environments with *Diffusion Policies* by distilling task-specific features.
- Co-first authored the paper EMOS: Embodiment-aware Heterogeneous Multi-robot Operating System with LLM Agents.

Shanghai Key Laboratory of Data Science, Fudan University

Shanghai, China

Advisor: Prof. Yanghua Xiao

2023.06 - 2023.08

- Conducted a benchmark to evaluate LLMs' capabilities of real-world complex instructions following. I was responsible for 1) constructing the dataset, 2) designing the evaluation criteria, and 3) evaluating the LLM models.
- Drafted the project proposal A Practical Benchmark for Evaluating Large Language Models' Understanding of Complex Instructions under Hard Constraints to apply for the National Natural Science Foundation of China (youth projects).
- Co-authored the paper Can Large Language Models Understand Real-World Complex Instructions?

Institute of AI and Robotics, Fudan University

Shanghai, China

Advisor: Prof. Siyang Leng

2022.11 - 2023.05

- Constructed an *Echo State Network* as the digital twin to predict and control the behavior of nonlinear dynamical (chaotic) systems. I was responsible for 1) constructing the model, 2) conducting experiments, and 3) revising the paper.
- Evaluated the model performance on 3 chaotic systems and 3 control strategies, collectively. Conducted experiments to validate the prediction accuracy, control efficiency, and noise robustness of the model.
- Co-first authored the paper Reservoir Computing as Digital Twins for Controlling Nonlinear Dynamical Systems.

SELECTED PROJECTS

Mobile Manipulation and Hierarchical Task Planning

Fudan University, China

Advisors: Prof. Yanwei Fu and Prof. Xiangyang Xue

2024.03 - 2024.05

- Constructed a mobile manipulation system with the robot assembled with Franka Panda arm and Hermes mobile base.
- I was responsible for constructing 1) semantic grasping pose estimation, 2) semantic mobile base navigation, and 3) hierarchical task planning. The follow-up work: *TaMMa* (Hou et al.) was accepted by *CoRL* 2024.

Resolving Knowledge Conflicts in Vision-Language Models

Fudan University, China

Advisors: Prof. Xiangyang Xue

2024.03 - 2024.04

- Constructed a VQA dataset with images involving knowledge conflicts from the Internet or generated with DALL.E 3.
- Evaluated 8 SOTA VLMs on the dataset, and resolved knowledge conflicts in *LLaVA-1.5* with contrastive decoding.

Neural Style Transfer Based on Fine Tuning Vision Transformer

UC Berkeley, USA

Advisors: Prof. Anant Sahai

2023.11 - 2023.12

- Replaced the content and style encoders of StyTr² with pre-trained ViT to improve the task of Neural Style Transfer.
- Leveraged a two-stage training strategy with *COCO* datasets: First freeze the pre-trained ViT, and just train the decoders. Then wrap LoRA to fine-tune ViT for joint training.

HONOR & AWARDS

Second prize of scholarship in Outstanding Students (Top 10%)	2021
• Third prize of scholarship in Outstanding Students (Top 25%)	2023
• Third prize in China Undergraduate Mathematical Contest in Modeling (Top 30%)	2024
 Honor roll of distinction certificate in The Mathematics League (World Top 8%) 	2016
 Second award in the National High School Mathematics League (Top 12%) 	2019
Champion of Soccer League, Fudan University	2023 & 2024

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Fudan University Recruit Voluntary Group	2022
Covid-19 Voluntary Service	2022
Guizhou Province Voluntary Service	2019

SKILLS

- Relevant coursework: Deep Learning, Artificial Intelligence, Machine Learning, Deep Reinforcement Learning, Convex Optimization, Intro to Robotics, Data Mining.
- Programming Languages: Python, C/C++, ROS, Matlab, Verilog.
- Software: Pytorch, Git, LATEX, COLMAP.
- Robots: Franka Emika Panda, Kinova Gen2, HERMES.
- AI Models: Vision-Language Models, Large Language Models, Diffusion Models, NeRF, 3DGS.
- Simulator: Habitat-lab, RoboCasa, PyBullet, SAPIEN, MuJoCo, Gazebo, AI2-THOR, IssacSim, ThreeDWrold.

STANDARDIZED TESTS

- IELTS: Overall 7.0 (Listening 6.5+Reading 7.5+Writing 6.5+Speaking 6.5).
- Duolingo: Overall 120 (Literacy 120+ Comprehension 125+ Conversation 105+ Production 90).