

# 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*.
- Q. He, J. Zeng, W. Huang, L. Chen, J. Xiao, Q. He, **Xunzhe Zhou**, J. Liang, Y. Xiao “Can Large Language Models Understand Real-World Complex Instructions?” accepted by AAAI 2024. ([arXiv:2309.09150v2](https://arxiv.org/abs/2309.09150v2))
- **Xunzhe Zhou\***, 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 *StyTr<sup>2</sup>* 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

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

## COMMUNITY SERVICE

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

## SKILLS

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- 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, L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X, 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, MuJoCo, Gazebo, AI2-THOR, IssacSim, ThreeDWold.

## STANDARDIZED TESTS

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- 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).