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Education

John Hopkins University, Graduate Visiting ScholarAug 2024 – May 2025Stony Brook University, Ph.D. Candidate in Civil Engineering | GPA: 3.92/4.0Jan 2023 – Exp. Jan 2026Stevens Institute of Technology, M.S. Computer Science | GPA: 3.88/4.0Aug 2021 – Jan 2023Xi'an Jiaotong University, B.S. Computer ScienceAug 2016 – June 2020

Research Experience

Stony Brook University

Jan 2023 – Present

- Supervisor: Prof. Susu Xu & Prof. Ruwen Qin
- Focus: LLM/VLM Post-training and applications in resilience and disaster response.
- More specifically, (i) LLM applications in Disaster Response: CrisisNLP, FLARE; (ii) LLM Post-training: Mosaic-IT, RuleR; (iii) MLLMs: TRIG, CaughtCheating; (iv) Retrieval-Augmented Generation (RAG): FLARE; (v) Agent and RL: StreetDesinger, SILIC; Johns Hopkins University

• Supervisor: Prof. Susu Xu

• Focus: LLM/VLM applications in resilience and disaster response.

Stevens Institute of Technology

Aug 2021 - Jan 2023

- Supervisor: Prof. Xiaojiang Du
- Focus: Computer Vision, Robotics.

Xi'an Jiaotong University

Jan 2020 - Dec 2020

- Supervisor: Prof. Xiaojiang Du
- Focus: Computer Vision, Human-Computer Interaction.

Work Experience

Teaching Assistant, Stony Brook University

Sep 2023 – Dec 2023

- CIV 101 Fall 2023: Introduction to Civil Engineering | Instructor: Prof. Marija Krstić
- CIV 305 Fall 2023: Transportation Sytem Analysis | Instructor: Prof. Anil Yazici

Teaching Assistant, Stony Brook University

Jan 2024 – May 2024

• CIV 355 Spring 2024: Data Analytics for Civil Engineering Systems | Instructor: Prof. Ruwen Qin

Machine Learning Engineering Intern, Zuoyebang Education Technology

Dec 2020 - May 2021

• User next-day activity prediction via ML modeling

Publications

- [1] **Wang, C.**, Chen, R., Sun, Y., Zhao, X., & Xu, S. (2025). From Perceptions to Decisions: Wildfire Evacuation Decision Prediction with Behavioral Theory-informed LLMs. ACL 2025.
- [2] Wang, C., Li, M., Chen, H., Nguyen, D., Li, D., & Zhou, T. (2024). RuleR: Improving LLM Controllability by Rule-based Data Recycling. NAACL 2025.
- [3] Li, M., Chen, P., Wang, C., Zhao, H., Liang, Y., Hou, Y., Liu, F., & Zhou, T. (2024). *Mosaic IT: Enhancing instruction tuning with data mosaics*. *ACL* 2025.
- [4] **Wang**, **C.**, Engler, D., Li, X., Hou, J., Wald, D.J., Jaiswal, K., & Xu, S. (2024). *Near-real-time earthquake-induced fatality estimation using crowdsourced data and large-language models*. *International Journal of Disaster Risk Reduction*.
- [5] **Wang, C.**, Liu, Y., Zhang, X., Li, X., Paramygin, V., Sheng, P., Zhao, X., & Xu, S. (2024). *Scalable and rapid building damage detection after Hurricane Ian using causal Bayesian networks and InSAR imagery. International Journal of Disaster Risk Reduction*.
- [6] Wang, C., Liu, Y., Zhang, X., Li, X., Paramygin, V., Subgranon, A., Sheng, P., Zhao, X., & Xu, S. (2023). Causality-informed rapid post-hurricane building damage detection in large scale from InSAR imagery. ACM SIGSPATIAL EM-GIS Workshop.
- [7] Wang, C., Li, M., Liang, Y., Wang, X., Zhou, Y., Wu, X., Zhang, Y., Zhang, R., & Zhou, T. (2025). *CaughtCheating: Is your MLLM a good cheating detective? Exploring the boundary of visual perception and reasoning. NeurIPS 2025 LAW Workshop*.
- [8] Wang, C., Yan, X., Dai, Y., Wang, Z., & Xu, S. (2025). From image generation to infrastructure design: A multi-agent pipeline for street design. NeurIPS 2025 Urban AI Workshop.
- [9] Chen, J., Li, M., Kil, J., Wang, C., Yu, T., Rossi, R., Zhou, T., Chen, C., & Zhang, R. (2025). *VisR-Bench: An empirical study on visual retrieval-augmented generation for multilingual long document understanding. arXiv:2508.07493*.
- [10] Chen, J., Ma, W., Liu, P., Wang, W., Song, T., Li, M., Wang, C., Qin, J., & Zhang, R., Chen, C. (2025). *MusiXQA: Advancing visual music understanding in multimodal large language models. arXiv:2506.23009*.
- [11] Sun, Y., Xu, S., Wang, C., & Zhao, X. (2025). Where You Go is Who You Are: Behavioral Theory-Guided LLMs for Inverse Reinforcement Learning. arXiv:2505.17249.
- [12] Li, M., Zhang, R., Wang, C., Chen, J., Gu, J., Zhou, Y., Dernoncourt, F., Zhu, W., Zhou, T., & Sun, T. (2025). *Towards visual text grounding of multimodal large language model.* arXiv:2504.04974.

Technical Reports & Datasets

[1] Do, T., Wang, W., Amini, M., Abdelhady, A., Xu, S., Negri, R., Kameshwar, S., **Wang, C.**, Dang, H., Jana, A., Carter, E., Alam, M., Kijewski-Correa, T., Prevatt, D., Roueche, D., & Wolohan, K. (2025). *StEER: Hurricane Milton Preliminary Virtual Reconnaissance Report (PVRR)*. doi:10.17603/ds2-resg-ah65.

[2] García Mejía, S., Jana, A., Erazo, K., **Wang, C.**, Diekmann, A., Xu, S., Romão, X., Kyprioti, A., Petreski, B., Bektaş, N., Lahna, T., Dang, H., Arora, P., Mostafa, K., & Wolohan, K. (2024). *2024 Hualien City Earthquake Media Repository*. doi:10.17603/ds2-4xv5-qc41.

[3] Alhawamdeh, B., Hassan, W., Gunay, S., Mosalam, K., Vargas, L., Marinković, M., Archbold, J., Martin, A., Merino-Peña, Y., Lahna, T., Hamdouni Alami, M., Burton, H., Iturburu, L., Ceferino, L., Duran, B., Nobahar, M., Romão, X., **Wang, C.**, Zhou, G., & Bektaş, N. (2023). *StEER: 2023 Mw 6.8 Oukaïmedene Morocco Preliminary Virtual Reconnaissance Report (PVRR)*. doi:10.17603/ds2-gw0j-6757.

Service & Outreach

Reviewer Service: ACL, EMNLP, NAACL, ICLR, NeurIPS, IJDRR Lectures:

- Data Visualization in Geographic Information Systems, CIV 335: Data Analytics for Civil Engineering Systems, Stony Brook University (Spring 2024)
- Applications of Data Analytical Methods in Highway Design, CIV 305: Transportation System Analysis, Stony Brook University (Fall 2024)

Invited Talks:

• How Advanced AI Reforms the Future of Civil Engineering, Invited Seminar Talk, Stony Brook University (2025)

Awards & Honors

Provost Doctoral Fellowship, Stevens Institute of Technology (2022) **ECE Research Scholarship Award**, Stevens Institute of Technology (2022)

Skills

Programming & Development: *Python, C/C++, SQL, Git, Linux, Docker.*

NLP & ML Frameworks: PyTorch, TensorFlow, HuggingFace Transformers, scikit-learn, spaCy, FAISS.

Data Processing & Visualization: Pandas, NumPy, Matplotlib, Seaborn, GIS (ArcGIS/QGIS), Tableau.

MLOps & Cloud: AWS, GCP, MLflow, Weights & Biases, Airflow.

Representative Repositories:

- CrisisNLP: Crowdsourced disaster response NLP pipeline; PyTorch, Transformers, In-Context Learning, Real-time data processing.
- CaughtCheating: MLLM benchmark for visual perception and reasoning; PyTorch, Multimodal LLM Inference & Evaluation.
- Mosaic-IT: Instruction tuning with compositional data synthesis; HuggingFace Transformers, LLM instruction-tuning, .
- Rule-Based data recycling for LLM controllability; PyTorch, Data pipeline design, spaCy.