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研究兴趣

我的研究聚焦于用人工智能解决科学问题(AI4S),特别关注计算生物学领域,从序列理解、结构和功能预测到药物发现 等应用和挑战,具体包括:

- RNA 二级结构 [I6]与三级结构预测;
- 结构引导的RNA 基础语言模型(LLM)开发 [I8],用于序列理解,结构和功能预测;
- 功能应用研究:如IRES识别[I7]、非编码基因组区域功能性RNA基序探索,以及AI驱动的药物发现。

在这之前,我研究过医学影像计算,开发了具有跨域适应能力的通用模型 [I1, I2] 及小样本学习算法[I5],用于医学影像 关键点的精准定位。

教育经历

• 中国科学技术大学 2023.09 - 2026 (预计) 博士研究生, 生物医学工程 苏州

。导师: 周少华教授 (Fellow of IEEE, AIMBE, NAI)

• 中国科学院, 计算技术研究所&中国科学院大学 2020.09 - 2023.06 硕士, 计算机应用技术

- 。导师: 周少华教授 (Fellow of IEEE, AIMBE, NAI)
- 。学位论文:具有解剖结构通用性的X光影像关键点检测算法研究

• 中国科学技术大学 2016.09 - 2020.06 本科, 计算机科学与技术 合肥

北京

- 。华夏计算机科学与技术英才班
- 。学位论文: C型臂CT图像的增强与分析

荣誉获奖

• 苏州工业园区奖学金,中国科学技术大学	2025
• 一等学业奖学金,中国科学技术大学	2024-2025
•一等学业奖学金,计算所&国科大	2020-2023
• 三好学生,计算所&国科大	2023
• 优秀学生奖,中国科学技术大学	2018-2019
• 化研所英才奖, 中国科学技术大学	2017

实习经历

• 腾讯天衍实验室 2021.07 - 2021.11 研究实习生 深圳

。使用深度图监督学习进行图像显著性检测

学术服务

会议审稿: MICCAI

•期刊审稿: TCSVT

志愿活动

• 志愿者:医学增强现实夏季学期,苏州	2024
• 志愿者: 医学影像计算独墅湖会议, 苏州	2023
• 助教: 电子信息开放实践,中国科学技术大学	2023

Selected publications, # denotes co-first author and * denotes co-corresponding author. For full list, please refer to Google Scholar.

Representative Papers

- [18] Heqin Zhu, Ruifeng Li, Peng Xiong*, and S. Kevin Zhou*. "Structure-guided pretraining of RNA foundation model for RNA sequence understanding and structural prediction." (In preparation, 2025).
- [I7] Feng Zhang#, Heqin Zhu#, Jie Hu, Jiayin Gao, Ke Chen, S. Kevin Zhou*, and Peng Xiong*. "IRESeek: Structure-informed deep learning method for accurate identification of internal ribosome entry sites in circular RNAs." (Submitted to Briefings in Bioinformatics, 2025).
- [I6] Heqin Zhu, Fenghe Tang, Quan Quan, Ke Chen, Peng Xiong*, and S. Kevin Zhou*. "Deep generalizable prediction of RNA secondary structure via base pair motif energy." Nature Communications 16, (2025):5856. (Nat. Commun., 2025). [Paper; Code]
- [I5] Heqin Zhu, Quan Quan, Qingsong Yao, Zaiyi Liu, and S. Kevin Zhou. "Uod: Universal one-shot detection of anatomical landmarks." In International Conference on Medical Image Computing and Computer-Assisted Intervention, pp. 24-34. Cham: Springer Nature Switzerland, 2023. (MICCAI 2023). [Paper; Code]
- [I4] Heqin Zhu, Qingsong Yao, and S. Kevin Zhou. "Datr: Domain-adaptive transformer for multi-domain landmark detection." arxiv preprint arxiv:2203.06433 (2022). [Paper; Code]
- [I3] Heqin Zhu, Xu Sun, Yuexiang Li, Kai Ma, S. Kevin Zhou*, and Yefeng Zheng*. "DFTR: Depth-supervised fusion transformer for salient object detection." arxiv preprint arxiv:2203.06429 (2022). [Paper; Code]
- [I2] Heqin Zhu, Qingsong Yao, Li Xiao, and S. Kevin Zhou. "Learning to Localize Cross-Anatomy Landmarks in X-Ray Images with a Universal Model." BME Frontiers 2022 (2022): 9765095. (BMEF 2022). [Paper; Code]
- [I1] Heqin Zhu, Qingsong Yao, Li xiao, and S. Kevin Zhou. "You only learn once: Universal anatomical landmark detection." In Medical Image Computing and Computer Assisted Intervention, pp. 85-95. Springer International Publishing, 2021. (MICCAI 2021). [Paper; Code]

Journal Papers

- [J4] Quan Quan#, Qingsong Yao#, **Heqin Zhu**, and S. Kevin Zhou. "IGU-Aug: Information-guided unsupervised augmentation and pixel-wise contrastive learning for medical image analysis." IEEE Transactions on Medical Imaging (2024). (TMI 2024).
- [J3] Quan Quan#, Qingsong Yao#, **Heqin Zhu**, Qiyuan Wang, and S. Kevin Zhou. "Which images to label for few-shot medical image analysis?." Medical Image Analysis 96 (2024): 103200. (MIA 2024).
- [J2] Huang Zhen#, Han Li#, Shitong Shao, **Heqin Zhu**, Huijie Hu, Zhiwei Cheng, Jianji Wang, and S. Kevin Zhou. "PELE scores: pelvic X-ray landmark detection with pelvis extraction and enhancement." International Journal of Computer Assisted Radiology and Surgery 19, no. 5 (2024): 939-950. (IJCARS 2024).
- [J1] Pengbo Liu, Hu Han, Yuanqi Du, **Heqin Zhu**, Yinhao Li, Feng Gu et al. "Deep learning to segment pelvic bones: large-scale CT datasets and baseline models." International Journal of Computer Assisted Radiology and Surgery 16 (2021): 749-756. (IJCARS 2021).

Conference Papers

- [C4] Xinyi Wang, Zikang Xu, **Heqin Zhu**, Qingsong Yao, Yiyong Sun, and S. Kevin Zhou. "SIX-Net: Spatial-Context Information miX-up for Electrode Landmark Detection." In International Conference on Medical Image Computing and Computer-Assisted Intervention, pp. 338-348. Cham: Springer Nature Switzerland, 2024. (MICCAI 2024).
- [C3] Fenghe Tang, Ronghao Xu, Qingsong Yao, Xueming Fu, Quan Quan, **Heqin Zhu**, Zaiyi Liu, and S. Kevin Zhou. "Hyspark: Hybrid sparse masking for large scale medical image pre-training." In International Conference on Medical Image Computing and Computer-Assisted Intervention, pp. 330-340. Cham: Springer Nature Switzerland, 2024. (MICCAI 2024).
- [C2] Quan Quan, Fenghe Tang, Zikang Xu, **Heqin Zhu**, and S. Kevin Zhou. "Slide-SAM: Medical SAM Meets Sliding Window." In Medical Imaging with Deep Learning, pp. 1179-1195. PMLR, 2024. (MIDL 2024).
- [C1] Yuanyuan Lyu, Haofu Liao, **Heqin Zhu**, and S. Kevin Zhou. "A 3 DSegNet: anatomy-aware artifact disentanglement and segmentation network for unpaired segmentation, artifact reduction, and modality translation." In International Conference on Information Processing in Medical Imaging, pp. 360-372. Cham: Springer International Publishing, 2021. (IPMI 2021).