## **XU Zixin**

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#### **EDUCATION**

# City University of Hong Kong

August 2020 - Present

Bachelor of Science in Data Science, minor in Computing - cGPA: 3.80/4.30

Dean's List (2021-2023 SemA)

Smart Decision | SimpleCredit Scholarships (2022)

## **Course Highlight**

<u>Fundamentals of Machine Learning</u>, <u>Statistical Methods and Data Analysis</u>, Advanced Statistics, Big Data: the Arts and Science of Scaling, <u>Foundation of Reinforce Learning</u>, Coursera: Deep Learning Specialization (Underline: A/A+, Other: A-)

### RESEARCH INTERESTS

I am interested in designing and implementing advanced deep learning strategies for image processing, such as object recovery from X-ray coherent diffraction patterns. I am also interested in applications and improvements of Implicit Neural Representation.

### **PUBLICATION**

In Review (\* equal contribution)

- 1. T. Li\*, **Z. Xu**\*, Y. S. Chu, X. Huang, J. Li, "Coordinate-based Neural Network for Fourier Phase Retrieval," *ICASSP*, 2023.
- R. Wang, S. Yang, Z. Liu, Y. Zhang, X. WANG, <u>Z. Xu</u>, J. Wang, S. LI "PhageScope: a well-annotated bacteriophage database with automatic analyses and visualizations," *Nucleic Acids Research*, 2023

### RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Coordinate-based Neural Network for Fourier Phase Retrieval Technical Assistant

- Developed a novel algorithm for Fourier phase retrieval
- Compared performances of different methods under noise-free and noise conditions
- Did ablation study of different model structures and loss functions
- Reviewed <u>Fourier phase retrieval</u> problem and the applications: coherent diffraction imaging, ptychography, Bragg coherent diffraction imaging, and Bragg ptychography

#### *PhageScope*

- Used <u>d3</u> to design and implement <u>interactive data visualization graphs</u>, such as a combination of piecharts and heatmap to present protein functional class distributions
- Used <u>Vue</u> and <u>Tailwind css</u> to code common widgets

## **COURSE PROJECT**

Deep Reinforcement Learning for Car Racing Project Leader

- Reviewed <u>Deep Q-learning network</u> and several implementations of <u>Proximal Policy</u> Optimization
- Applied Proximal Policy Optimization to solve the OpenAI Gym CarRacing-v0 Environment and reached a mean score of 735.16/1000
- Wrote a report and discussed the results of Deep Q-learning network and Proximal Policy Optimization

Restaurant Recommendation System for Yelp Dataset Project Leader

- Pre-processed data and filtered out needed data, such as user ID and restaurant ID
- Trained <u>Neural Collaborative Filtering Model</u> to predict the recommendations. The test accuracy is around 0.91
- Wrote a technical report and presented results during an oral presentation

#### **OTHER EXPERIENCE**

## **Department of Computer Science**

Feb -May 2023

Student Helper

- Authored questions and explanations on Data Structures and Algorithms.
- Developed a randomization feature for data in questions and established a uniform function API.

# EF Academy, Summer Intern

Jun -Aug 2020

Sales and Marketing Assistant

- Analysed rival programs and promotion tactics in the mainland market to better understand the market
- Associated with others to publish engaging original articles and video clips on social platforms

### **SPECIAL Talks Team, Student Residence**

Sep 2021-Feb 2022

• Moderated meetings to better connect guests and audiences online.

### **SKILLS**

Language: English, Mandarin (Native)

Programming Language: C++, Python, SQL, Latex, HTML, CSS, Javascript, R, Matlab, SPSS

Packages: Pytorch, TensorFlow

Databases: Hadoop, Spark, Apache Pig, Apache Hive Software & Tools: Excel, Tableau, Weight&Bias

Operating Systems: Windows, Linux