

# XU Zixin

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## EDUCATION

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### 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

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

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

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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

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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.
2. R. Wang, S. Yang, Z. Liu, Y. Zhang, X. WANG, **Z. Xu**, J. Wang, S. LI "PhageScope: a well-annotated bacteriophage database with automatic analyses and visualizations," *Nucleic Acids Research*, 2023

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

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*Coordinate-based Neural Network for Fourier Phase Retrieval*

Technical Assistant

- Developed a coordinate-based neural network for Fourier phase retrieval
  - Reproduced different methods, including classical iterative methods and deep learning methods, and compared their performances under noise-free and noise conditions
  - Did ablation study of different model structures and loss functions
  - Reviewed Fourier phase retrieval problem and the applications: coherent diffraction imaging, ptychography, Bragg coherent diffraction imaging, and Bragg ptychography
- PhageScope
- Used d3 to design and implement interactive data visualization graphs, such as a combination of piecharts and heatmap to present protein functional class distributions
  - Used Vue and Tailwind css to code common widgets

## COURSE PROJECT

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*Deep Reinforcement Learning for Car Racing* **Project Leader**

- Reviewed Deep Q-learning network and several implementations of Proximal Policy 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 Neural Collaborative Filtering Model to predict the recommendations. The test accuracy is around 0.91
- Wrote a technical report and presented results during an oral presentation

## OTHER EXPERIENCE

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### 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

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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