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Personal Profile

I am a Computer Science B.Eng. student (2025) at Chongqing Univ. of Posts and Telecommunications and an LLM algorithm intern at Li Auto. I currently work on rubric-based RLVR and LLM clarification (AskBench) with Prof. Lu Cheng (UIC).

My interests include **human-centered HCI, agentic/multi-step reasoning, interpretability/controllability, self-evolving systems, and multimodal pipelines.**

Education

B.Eng., Computer Science

Chongqing Univ. of Posts and Telecommunications

Chongqing, China

2021 – 2025

Publications (Under Review)

- **When and What to Ask: AskBench and Rubric-Guided RLVR for LLM Clarification** (first; under review, ACL; PDF: paper.pdf; code: <https://github.com/jialeuuz/askbench>)
- **RubricHub: A Comprehensive and Highly Discriminative Rubric Dataset via Automated Coarse-to-Fine Generation** (second; under review, ACL; PDF: rubrichub.pdf; arXiv: <https://arxiv.org/abs/2601.08430>)

Ongoing Work

- **ProcessRubrics** (first; Li Auto) — a process-level rubric learning framework for improving structured reasoning quality through finer-grained supervision.
- **Learning Persona as Behavior** (second; collaboration with Prof. Lu Cheng, UIC) — a behavior-oriented persona learning study aimed at improving persona consistency with robust cross-domain generalization.

Experience

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Li Auto, Beijing

- **Data Flywheel for Code LLM** — evaluation-centric loop (SFT → evaluate → data build → filtering → back to SFT) to continually raise coding capabilities.
 - Evaluation-first: standardized harnesses and rubrics so harder tasks surface real capability instead of being bottlenecked by today's noisy, underspecified eval.
 - Linked loops: evaluation feedback drives tougher data construction; the same tooling filters/repairs low-quality samples before feeding them back into SFT.
- **Multi-step Reasoning + Tool Invocation Agent** — code-LLM agent that plans, writes code, and executes tool calls for precise answers.
 - Multi-step reasoning: decomposes complex or debugging asks into structured plans so context is stitched into a single executable query.
 - Tool grounding: integrates code execution and API/function calls for live data or environment actions when pretrained knowledge falls short.
- **MindGPTo (GPT-4o-style multimodal app)** — end-to-end audio + vision system with paralinguistic control, built from scratch with modular FE/BE interfaces.
 - Mode coverage: supports audio→ASR→LLM→TTS, audio2text→TTS, audio2audio, and multimodal audio+image+video→text→TTS workflows.
 - Paralinguistic SFT: audio data pipelines expand beyond laughter/pause to age, gender, compound emotions, emotional actions, and ambient sounds.

Sep 2023 – present

Manuscripts for Resubmission

- **ThinkPilot: Steering Reasoning Models via Automated Think-prefixes Optimization** (co-first; awaiting resubmission)

- **Decoding the Ear: Objectifying Expressiveness from Human Preference Through Efficient Alignment** (third; awaiting resubmission)
- **Breaking the Exploration Bottleneck: Rubric-Scaffolded RL for General LLM Reasoning** (sixth; awaiting resubmission)