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EDUCATION

Duke University, Durham, NC

Ph.D. in Electrical and Computer Engineering
Advised by Prof. Boyuan Chen

Present

Columbia University, New York, NY

M.S., Electrical Engineering

2023/02

Nanjing University, Nanjing, China

B.E., Microelectronic Science and Engineering

2021/06

PUBLICATIONS

Lingyu Zhang, Mitchell Wang, Boyuan Chen. Scientific Judgment Drifts Over Time in AI Ideation, preprint 2025. [[paper](#), [project-page](#), [video](#)]

Zhengran Ji, **Lingyu Zhang**, Paul Sajda, Boyuan Chen. Enabling Multi-Robot Collaboration from Single-Human Guidance, ICRA 2025. [[paper](#), [project-page](#), [video](#)]

Lingyu Zhang, Zhengran Ji, Boyuan Chen. CREW: Facilitating Human-AI Teaming Research, TMLR 2024. [[paper](#), [project-page](#), [video](#), [documentation](#)]

Lingyu Zhang, Zhengran Ji, Nicholas R Waytowich, Boyuan Chen. GUIDE: Real-Time Human-Shaped Agents, Neurips 2024. [[paper](#), [project-page](#), [video](#)]

Kung-Hsiang Huang, Mingyang Zhou, Hou Pong Chan, Yi R Fung, Zhenhailong Wang, **Lingyu Zhang**, Shih-Fu Chang, Heng Ji. Do LVLMs Understand Charts? Analyzing and Correcting Factual Errors in Chart Captioning, ACL Findings 2024. [[paper](#)]

Lingyu Zhang*, Chengzhi Mao*, Junfeng Yang, Carl Vondrick. Robust Video Perception by Seeing Motion, Arxiv 2023. [[arxiv](#), [project-page](#)]

Chengzhi Mao, **Lingyu Zhang**, Abhishek Vaibhav Joshi, Junfeng Yang, Hao Wang, Carl Vondrick. Robust Perception through Equivariance, ICML 2023. [[arxiv](#), [project-page](#)]

Bangpeng Xiao, Shenyuan Ye, Xicai Li, Min Li, **Lingyu Zhang**, Yuanqing Wang. A Stereo Matching Method for Three-Dimensional Eye Localization of Autostereoscopic Display, ICIG 2021.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Columbia University, Fu Foundation School of Engineering and Applied Science

Research Assistant: Multimodal Learning

Advisor: Prof. Shih-Fu Chang & Dr. Mingyang Zhou, Feb 2023 - Aug 2023

Visual language data understanding and detecting manipulated multimodal data.

Research Assistant: Robust Vision Models

Advisor: Prof. Junfeng Yang & Prof. Carl Vondrick, Feb-Nov 2022

Designed a novel test-time adaptive adversarial defense for action recognition models using motion consistency. Conducted experiments on novel adversarial purification method based on dense equivariant properties of neural networks.

Nanjing University, School of Electronic Science and Engineering

Undergraduate Thesis: Learned Multi-scale Image Compression

Advisor: Prof. Qiu Shen, Dec 2020 -June 2021

Implemented an end-to-end optimized image compression model based on an entropy-constrained variational autoencoder with a multi-scale encoder.

HONORS/AWARDS

Renmin Scholarship, 2018 & 2019

FlyAI Excellent Algorithm Award, 2021

SERVICE

Peer Review

2025 Conference on Robot Learning (CoRL) Reviewer

Mentorship

Zhengran Ji - Human-AI Teaming

Mitchell Wang - AI-driven Scientific Ideation

Teaching Assistant

Robot Learning - Fall 2025, Duke University

LEADERSHIP

Engineering Graduate Student Council, Duke University

ECE PhD Representative, Sept 2025 - present

Graduate Electrical Engineering Council, Columbia

Career Chair, Jan 2022 - Dec 2022

Engineering Graduate Student Council at Columbia Engineering

Lead Department Representative of EE, Jan 2022 - Dec 2022

Nanjing University Summer Social Practice Project

Team Leader, June - Aug 2020

The Berkeley Project

Site Leader & Volunteer, Oct 2019

Nanjing University Hip-Hop Association

President, Aug 2018 - June 2019

Nanjing University Hip-Hop Association

Class Representative, Sept 2017 - July 2018

PROFESSIONAL TRAINING

Karlsruhe Institute of Technology, Virtual

Industry 4.0 Training for Young Talent, Sep-Oct 2020

Lean Production, Lean Line Design, Machine Learning, Data Analysis and Industry 4.0 of Production Planning and Control.

LANGUAGE

GRE: 334 (V164 + Q170), TOEFL: 114