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## Summary

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My research primarily focuses on artificial intelligence (AI) for the development of novel multi-modal (text+image) learning techniques, with a particular emphasis on the research of large language models at the intersection of machine learning, computer vision, and natural language processing. My research track record is distinguished by 111 peer-reviewed full papers as first-author, published in prestigious conferences and journals, such as ECCV (h5-index 238, CORE A\*), SIGIR (h5-index 90, CORE A\*), ICRA (h5-index 119, CORE A\*), ICASSP (h5-index 123). Significantly, I have shown a substantial increase in the number of citations, which has quadrupled compared to what I had in 2022. I am proficient in programming, including Python, C++. I possess extensive experience in large-scale data analysis and am proficient in numerous deep learning and data analysis frameworks, including scikit-learn, PyTorch, and Bayesian methods.

## EDUCATION

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<b>University of Glasgow</b> , Glasgow, United Kingdom	2020 — Now
PhD in Computer Science, <i>Supervisor: Richard McCreddie, Gerardo Aragon Camarasa</i>	Fully Funded

<b>University of Glasgow</b> , Glasgow, United Kingdom	2019 — 2020
M.S.c in Data Science, <i>Average grade: A3</i>	Awarded with Distinction

<b>South China University of Technology</b> , GuangZhou, China	2015 — 2019
B.S. in Software Engineering	First Honour Degree

## ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT EXPERIENCE

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<b>University of Glasgow</b>	Glasgow, United Kingdom
<i>MSc Project Supervisor</i>	May 2023 — Oct 2023

- Supervised 20 MSc students and 8 of them achieve A grade for their projects.

<b>University of Glasgow</b>	Glasgow, United Kingdom
<i>Tutor</i>	Nov 2020 — Present

- Courses: Recommendation system, Text as Data, Introduction of Data Science, Programming, Machine Learning, etc.
- Received high commendation for my exceptional performance in the role.

<b>University of Glasgow</b>	Glasgow, United Kingdom
<i>Marking Assistant</i>	Nov 2020 — Present

- Marking the exams for many courses including Text as Data, Introduction of Data Science, Programming, Machine Learning, etc.
- Lecturer's assessment: Accomplished the task with exceptional proficiency, consistently maintaining high standards across all assignments.

## PUBLICATIONS

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### Peer-reviewed Conference & Journal Publications

- **Zijun Long**, Lipeng Zhuang, George Killick, Richard McCreddie, Gerardo Aragon Camarasa, Paul Henderson. Understanding and Mitigating Human-Labeling Errors in Supervised Contrastive Learning, *The 18th European Conference on Computer Vision*, full paper, 2024. [link] (h5-index 238, Core A\*)
- **Zijun Long**, Xuri Ge, Richard McCreddie and Joemon Jose. CFIR: Fast and Effective Document-To-Image Retrieval for Large Corpora. *International ACM SIGIR Conference on Research and Development in Information Retrieval*, full paper, 2024. (h5-index 90, Core A\*) [link]
- **Zijun Long**, George Killick, Richard McCreddie, Gerardo Aragon Camarasa. RoboLLM: Robotic Vision Tasks Grounded on Multimodal Large Language Models, *IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation*, main, 2024. (h5-index 119, Core A\*) [link]
- **Zijun Long**, George Killick, Richard McCreddie, Gerardo Aragon Camarasa. MultiWay-Adapater: Adapting large-scale multimodal models for scalable image-text retrieval. *IEEE International Conference on Acoustics, Speech, and Signal Processing*, main, 2024. (h5-index 123) [link]
- **Zijun Long**, George Killick, Richard McCreddie, Gerardo Aragon Camarasa, Zaiqiao Meng. LaCViT: A Label-aware Contrastive Training Framework for Vision Transformers. *IEEE International Conference on Acoustics, Speech, and Signal Processing*, main, 2024. (h5-index 123) [link]

- **Zijun Long**, Lipeng Zhuang, George Killick, Richard McCreddie, Gerardo Aragon Camarasa, Zaiqiao Meng. CLCE: An Approach to Refining Cross-Entropy and Contrastive Learning for Optimized Learning Fusion, *The 27th European Conference on Artificial Intelligence*, full paper, 2024. [link] (h5-index 29, Core A)
- **Zijun Long**, Richard McCreddie, Muhammad Imran. CrisisViT: A Robust Vision Transformer for Crisis Image Classification. *20th International Conference on Information Systems for Crisis Response and Management*, main, 2023. (h5-index 21)[link]
- **Zijun Long**, Richard McCreddie. Is Multi-Modal Data Key for Crisis Content Categorization on Social Media? *19th International Conference on Information Systems for Crisis Response and Management*, main, 2022. (h5-index 21)[link]
- **Zijun Long**, Richard McCreddie. Automated Crisis Content Categorization for COVID-19 Tweet Streams. *18th International Conference on Information Systems for Crisis Response and Management*, main, 2021. (h5-index 21) [link]
- **Zijun Long**, Xiaohang Wang, Yingtao Jiang, Guofeng Cui, Li Zhang, Terrence Mak. Improving the Efficiency of Thermal Covert Channels in Multi-/many-core Systems. *Design, Automation and Test in Europe*, main, 2017. (h5-index 49) [link]

## Papers Under Review

- Zixuan Yi\*, **Zijun Long\***, Iadh Ounis, Craig Macdonald, Richard McCreddie. Large Multi-modal Encoders for Recommendation, *arXiv preprint arXiv:2310.20343*, 2023. [link]  
\*:co-first author

## Honors & Awards

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2024 IEEE International Conference on Acoustics, Speech, and Signal Processing <b>SPS Travel Grants</b>	Seoul, Korea 2024
18th International Conference on Information Systems for Crisis Response and Management <b>Best Student Paper Award</b>	Blacksburg, Virginia USA 2021
University of Glasgow <b>Full PhD scholarship</b>	Glasgow, UK 2020
South China University of Technology <b>First Class Scholarship of the University</b>	Guangzhou, China 2018
Imagine Cup 2018 Microsoft Global Student Technology Competition <b>Third Place</b>	Guangzhou, China 2018
National Innovation and Entrepreneurship Training Programme <b>Excellent Result of Oral Defence (Nearly Top 5%)</b>	Guangzhou, China 2018
Social Practice of the University <b>Outstanding Participant</b>	Guangzhou, China 2018

## Professional Activities

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### Conference (Senior) Program Committee and Journal Review

- BMVC Proceeding Chair (h5-index 77, CORE A) 2024
- AAAI (h5-index 212, CORE A\*) 2023 — 2024
- ISCRAM (h5-index 21) 2022 — 2024

### External Reviewer

- ECCV (h5-index 238, CORE A\*) 2022 — 2024