

# Yimin Wang

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## Education

### University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

B.S.E. in Data Science, GPA: 3.93/4.00

Ann Arbor, MI

Aug 2024 – May 2026

- **Relevant Courses:** Machine Learning (A), Natural Language Processing (A), Statistics and Artificial Intelligence (A<sup>+</sup>), Applied Regression Analysis (A<sup>+</sup>), Probability and Statistics (A<sup>+</sup>), Linear Algebra (A<sup>+</sup>)
- **Scholarships & Awards:** Deans' List, University Honors

### Shanghai Jiao Tong University

B.S. in Mechanical Engineering, GPA: 3.74/4.00 (top 10%)

Shanghai, China

Aug 2022 – Aug 2026

- **Relevant Courses:** Programming and Elementary Data Structures (A), Data Structures and Algorithms (A), Design and Manufacturing I (A)/II (A), Laboratory I (A), Solid Mechanics (A), Dynamics and Vibrations (A<sup>+</sup>)
- **Scholarships & Awards:** 2023 The John Wu & Jane Sun Sunshine Scholarship (**Top 6%**); Chun-Tsung Scholar & Scholarship<sup>1</sup>

## Publications

\* indicates equal contribution.

### On Path to Multimodal Historical Reasoning: HistBench and HistAgent

2025

Jiahao Qiu\*, Fulian Xiao\*, **Yimin Wang**, Yuchen Mao\*, Yijia Chen\*, Xinzhe Juan, Siran Wang, Xuan Qi, Tongcheng Zhang, Zixin Yao, ..., Xi Gao, Mengdi Wang

In submission to the top conference. <https://arxiv.org/abs/2505.20246> ↗

### AgentDistill: Training-Free Agent Distillation with Generalizable MCP Boxes

2025

Jiahao Qiu\*, Xinzhe Juan\*, **Yimin Wang**, Ling Yang\*, Xuan Qi, Tongcheng Zhang, Jiacheng Guo, Yifu Lu, Zixin Yao, Hongru Wang, Shilong Liu, Xun Jiang, Liu Leqi, Mengdi Wang

In submission to the top conference. <https://arxiv.org/abs/2506.14728> ↗

### EmoAgent: Assessing and Safeguarding Human-AI Interaction for Mental Health Safety

2025

Jiahao Qiu\*, Yinghui He\*, Xinzhe Juan\*, **Yimin Wang**, Yuhan Liu, Zixin Yao, Yue Wu, Xun Jiang, Ling Yang, Mengdi Wang

*EMNLP 2025 MainConference, Oral Presentation.* <https://aclanthology.org/2025.emnlp-main.594/> ↗

### GenoArmory: A Unified Evaluation Framework for Adversarial Attacks on Genomic Foundation Models

2025

Haozheng Luo\*, Chenghao Qiu\*, **Yimin Wang**, Shang Wu, Jiahao Yu, Han Liu, Binghui Wang, Yan Chen

In submission to the top conference. <https://arxiv.org/abs/2505.10983> ↗

### Alita-G: Self-Evolving Generative Agent for Agent Generation

2025

Jiahao Qiu\*, Xuan Qi\*, Hongru Wang\*, Xinzhe Juan, **Yimin Wang**, Zelin Zhao, Jiayi Geng, Jiacheng Guo, Peihang Li, Jingzhe Shi, Shilong Liu, Mengdi Wang

In submission to top conference. <https://arxiv.org/abs/2510.23601> ↗

### Alita: Generalist Agent Enabling Scalable Agentic Reasoning with Minimal Predefinition and Maximal Self-Evolution

2025

Jiahao Qiu\*, Xuan Qi\*, Tongcheng Zhang\*, Xinzhe Juan, Jiacheng Guo, Yifu Lu, **Yimin Wang**, Qihan Ren, Xun Jiang, Xing Zhou, Dongrui Liu, Ling Yang, Yue Wu, Kaixuan Huang, Shilong Liu, Hongru Wang, Mengdi Wang

In submission to top conference. <https://arxiv.org/abs/2505.20286> ↗

### High-precision control of an antagonistic soft continuum robot for dexterous objects grasping and assembly

2025

Shoulu Gong, Xinchen Ye, **Yimin Wang**, Wenbo Li, Wenming Zhang, Lei Shao

Published in *Sensors and Actuators A: Physical*. <https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S0924424725004753> ↗

<sup>1</sup> Funded by Nobel Laureate Tsung-Dao Lee and his wife Hui-Chun Chin to support undergraduate research; selected from top universities in China (e.g., SJTU, PKU, Fudan) with roughly 50 students per institution annually.

## Research Experience

### **Wang Lab@Princeton AI for Accelerating Invention**

*Princeton University (Advisor: Prof. Mengdi Wang)*

*Remote*

*Oct 2024 – Present*

- Conducted systematic research on multimodal multi-agent systems, contributing to projects on historical reasoning, safety alignment, and model distillation using AutoGen or smolagents.
- Developed multimodal agent (with GPT-4o as backbone) for historical reasoning as co-leader, including integrating OCR/retrieval tools, etc., and conducted evaluations on HistBench, Humanity's Last Exam subset, and GAIA, outperforming GPT-4o, DeepSeek-R1, Grok-3 with online search and HuggingFace/smolagents open deep research(GPT-4o).  
<https://github.com/CharlesQ9/HistAgent>
- Proposed training-free distillation method through which weaker agents inherit complex skills from stronger "teacher" agents via dynamically-generated Model Context Protocols (MCPs) based on past experience. We enabled an agent based on the 8B model to match the performance of an agent based on GPT-4o.
- Helped build EmoAgent, a multi-agent framework utilizing clinical metrics (e.g., PHQ-9) to assess LLM safety, revealing a 34.4% mental state deterioration rate in vulnerable user simulations. It mitigates psychological risks in human-AI conversations; assessed model sensitivity and contributed to the paper rebuttal, and the paper was accepted by the EMNLP main conference as oral.  
<https://github.com/1akaman/EmoAgent>
- Currently leading research project on cost-efficient model selection, dynamically distributing queries between LLM and agents via previous experience to achieve cost-performance trade-offs without relying on expensive supervision when there is no ground truth.
- Contributed to Alita, a general agent designed with minimal pre-definition that achieved Top-1 performance on the GAIA benchmark (May 2025). Helped advance the system to Alita-G, a self-evolving framework that transforms into a domain expert via automated workflow curation, securing a new SOTA record.

### **Wu Laboratory**

*Princeton University (Advisor: Prof. Sanfeng Wu)*

*Remote*

*June 2025 – Present*

- Helped build the world's first multi-agent framework for automated 2D quantum material discovery, coordinating planning, control, and processing agents for exfoliation, flake search, and stacking together with monitoring agents.
- Designed system-level monitoring and safety mechanisms that can improve process stability, fault recovery, and consistency in automated material construction. Plan to submit to the top journal.

### **Northwestern Lab for Internet and Security Technology**

*Northwestern University (Advisor: Prof. Yan Chen)*

*Remote*

*April 2025 – Present*

- Investigated adversarial robustness and safety of large language and genomic foundation models, contributing to GenoArmory, a unified benchmark for adversarial attack and defense evaluation.  
<https://github.com/MAGICS-LAB/GenoArmory>
- Performed literature review and experiments on LLM thinking safety and participated in building and fine-tuning an LLM specialized for cloud-configuration Q&A.

### **LAUNCH Lab**

*University of Michigan (Advisor: Prof. Lu Wang)*

*Ann Arbor, MI, USA*

*June 2025 – Present*

- Currently researching the reasoning process of large language models in code generation, aiming to understand how the model's reasoning behavior affects overall performance.
- Studying overthinking behaviors in large language models for code generation, focusing on how we can mitigate the overthinking phenomenon during decoding, after the analysis of the thinking traces for code.

### **Department of Micro/Nano Electronics**

*Shanghai Jiao Tong University (Advisor: Prof. Jianhua Yang)*

*Shanghai, China*

*Sep 2023 – May 2024*

- Focused on a low-power intelligent gas sensor, conducted sensor experiments, data collection, and contributed to refining the dataset.
- Built and improved analytical models for electronic nose signals in Python.
- Integrated four machine learning algorithms to improve the accuracy of predicting gas type and concentration for unknown mixtures.

## Teaching Experience

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<b>Grader for EECS 496: Professionalism (Major Design Experience)</b> <i>University of Michigan</i>	<i>Ann Arbor, USA</i> <i>Sep 2025 – Dec 2025</i>
<b>Teaching Assistant for ME395: Laboratory I</b> <i>Shanghai Jiao Tong University</i>	<i>Shanghai, China</i> <i>Sep 2024 – Dec 2024</i>
<b>Teaching Assistant for ENGR100: Introduction to Engineering</b> <i>Shanghai Jiao Tong University</i>	<i>Shanghai, China</i> <i>May 2024 – Aug 2024</i>

## Technical Skills

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- Languages:** C/C++, Python, HTML/CSS, JavaScript, SQLite, R, Elm
- Frameworks:** PyTorch, scikit-learn, LangChain, AutoGen, HuggingFace/smolagent
- Tools:** Git, Linux, Shell, Jupyter Notebook, L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X

## Selected Honors & Awards

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<b>Chun-Tsung Scholar &amp; Scholarship</b>	<i>2025</i>
◦ Funded by Nobel Laureate Tsung-Dao Lee and Hui-Chun Chin to support undergraduate research; selected from top universities in China (e.g., SJTU, FDU, PKU) with roughly 50 students selected per institution annually.	
<b>The John Wu &amp; Jane Sun Sunshine Scholarship</b>	<i>2023</i>
◦ Awarded to the top 6% of students at Shanghai Jiao Tong University for academic excellence and social responsibility.	
<b>University Honors &amp; Dean's List</b>	<i>2024, 2025</i>
◦ University of Michigan, College of Engineering.	
<b>Undergraduate Excellent Scholarship</b>	<i>2023, 2024</i>
◦ Awarded to students demonstrating outstanding academic performance and comprehensive achievements at Shanghai Jiao Tong University.	
<b>Student Development Scholarship</b>	<i>2023</i>
◦ Recognized for all-around development and excellence in extracurricular and academic pursuits.	
<b>Freshman Robotics Competition Best Design Award</b>	<i>2023</i>
◦ Recognized for the most innovative mechanical design among 50+ participating teams.	
<b>Excellent League Member</b>	<i>2023</i>
◦ Shanghai Jiao Tong University (Awarded for outstanding leadership in student organization activities).	

## Leadership & Service

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<b>Minister, Arts Department, Student Union</b> <i>UM-SJTU Joint Institute, Shanghai Jiao Tong University</i>	<i>Sep 2023 – Aug 2024</i>
◦ Planned and held large-scale campus cultural events, including the “Blossom” Ball (300+ attendees) and the Top 10 Singers Competition, handling logistics, budgeting, and team coordination.	
◦ Guided department members and facilitated cross-departmental collaboration to enable smooth event execution.	
<b>Minister, Youth Volunteer Service Team</b> <i>UM-SJTU Joint Institute, Shanghai Jiao Tong University</i>	<i>Sep 2023 – Aug 2024</i>
◦ Directed recruitment and training for Miyuan Volunteer Team and educational outreach programs.	
◦ Organized “Sunshine Home” initiative to support intellectually disabled individuals and held labor education.	
<b>Class Advisor</b> <i>UM-SJTU Joint Institute, Shanghai Jiao Tong University</i>	<i>Aug 2023 – Aug 2024</i>
◦ Served as primary mentor for a freshman class, providing academic guidance, organizing team-building activities, and helping students adapt to university life.	
<b>Volunteer Student Teacher</b> <i>Yunnan &amp; Huzhou, China</i>	<i>Jan. 2023, May 2023, Jan. 2024</i>
◦ Contributed to educational support programs in rural areas of Yunnan and Huzhou provinces.	
◦ Taught curriculum in STEM and English and organized extracurricular activities to foster student bonding.	

## References

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