# Rui Sang

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### **EDUCATION**

### Xi'an Jiaotong-Liverpool University

Suzhou, China

BSc (Hons) in Information and Computing Science

Sep 2022 – Jun 2026 (expected)

- Major GPA: 4.00 / 4.00 | Overall GPA: 3.96 / 4.00 | Top 5%
- Honors: University Academic Achievement Award Scholarship

2023, 2024, 2025

• Research Interest: Machine Learning, Signal Processing

- PUBLICATIONS 1. Y. Liu, R. Sang, P. Zhang, Z. Li, S. Li, Training a Perceptual Model for Evaluating Auditory Similarity in Music Adversarial Attack, 17th International Symposium on Computer Music Multidisciplinary Research (CMMR), 2025. [Accepted]
  - 2. Y. Liu\*, P. Zhang\*, R. Sang, Z. Li, S. Li, MAIA: An Inpainting-Based Approach for Music Adversarial Attacks, International Society for Music Information Retrieval (ISMIR), 2025. [Accepted]
  - 3. P. Zhang\*, Y. Liu\*, Z. Li, R. Sang, Y. Cai, Y. Tan, S. Li, An Entropy-Guided Curriculum Learning Strategy for Data-Efficient Acoustic Scene Classification under Domain Shift, Workshop on Detection and Classification of Acoustic Scenes and Events (DCASE Workshop), 2025. [Accepted]

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

## Infrared-Visible Multimodal Image Fusion

Jun 2025 - Present

Research Assistant, Advised by Dr. Xiaohui Zhu

- Co-developed the SWF-DETR framework, architecting its cross-modal attention module to establish synergy between Transformer-based fusion and detection.
- Led experimental validation achieving SOTA performance: improved mAP50 by 1.4% and model stability by 9.7% through rigorous benchmarking and ablation studies.

# Entropy-Guided Curriculum under Device-Induced Shift

Jan 2025 – Jun 2025

Research Intern, Advised by Dr. Shencheng Li

- Trained an auxiliary domain classifier and applied Shannon entropy-based ranking to schedule data from invariant to device-specific.
- Achieved a +2.6% absolute accuracy improvement on unseen devices under a 5% low-data regime. [Pub. 3]

# Reliability & Human-Aligned ML under Distribution Shift

Sep 2024 - Jun 2025

- Research Intern, Advised by Dr. Shencheng Li
  - Revealed perceptual misalignment in audio models by engineering a dataset of 18,000+ perturbed samples, enabling a novel contrastive learning framework that improved robust accuracy by +9.15%. [Pub. 1]
  - Leveraging insights from this work I then developed the critical importance analysis module for the MAIA white-box attack, adapting Grad-CAM to the audio domain to enable targeted, perceptually-stealthy attacks. [Pub. 2]

#### **PROJECTS**

### Online Meeting Room Booking System Team Lead

Mar 2025 – Apr 2025

- Spearheaded the full-stack architecture for a web application as team lead, defining the database schema, front-end UI, and a modular MVC backend with Spring Boot, JWT Security, and MySQL.
- · Engineered a multi-level Redis caching strategy to optimize performance for session management and hot data; containerized the application with Docker for consistent, high-availability deployment on Alibaba Cloud.

### GenAI-powered Student Travel Planner App Team Lead

Mar 2025 – Apr 2025

- Directed the end-to-end user-centered design process for a GenAI-powered travel planner, translating user research (interviews, personas) into a high-fidelity, interactive prototype in Figma.
- Validated the prototype's usability through three iterative testing cycles, achieving an excellent System Usability Scale (SUS) score of 84.65 and incorporating user feedback to refine key features.

### </> SKILLS

**Programming:** Python, Java, C/C++, LaTeX.

**Technologies**: PyTorch, Spring Boot, MySQL, CUDA, Redis, Git, Docker, Figma.

### **ACTIVITIES**

Class Committee Member: Class 4 of 2026, Xi'an Jiaotong-Liverpool University 2023 - 2024Coordinated student-faculty communication, class activities, and student development initiatives.

Event Planner – Drama Club: Xi'an Jiaotong-Liverpool University

2022 - 2023

Assisted in organizing campus theater productions, script promotion as part of the Planning Department.

Volunteer - Autism Support Program: "Star Children" Project, Suzhou

Provided one-on-one support and facilitated inclusive community programs for children with autism.