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# **EDUCATION**

# 2023-on Ph.D. in Electrical and Electronic Engineering

Imperial College London (IC), London, UK | Supervisor: Dr. Chen Qin

- 3.5-year PhD Scholarship
- · Research Focus: Multimodal Deep Representation Learning, Medical Imaging, Missing Modality

### 2021-2023 M.A.Sc. in Electrical and Computer Engineering

University of British Columbia (UBC), Vancouver, BC, Canada | Supervisor: Prof. Rafeef Garbi

- Thesis: Deep Learning for Dermatology: Contributions in Model Fairness, Multi-domain Adaptation, and Light-weight Efficiency | GPA: 94% (A+ in all coursework)
- 2-year Graduate Research Assistantship

#### 2017-2021 B.E. in Automation Science (Pattern Recognition direction)

Beihang University, Beijing, China | Supervisor: Prof. Zengchang Qin

• GPA: 3.83/4.0 (Ranking: Top 5)

## WORK & RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

## 2023-on **Biomedical Image Analysis Group, Imperial College London**

PhD in Machine Learning and Medical Imaging, London, UK

- Developed a novel self-supervised tabular-image pre-training framework for incomplete and heterogeneous multimodal data, improving AUC by 7% on cardiac disease diagnosis (ECCV 2024).
- Designed a new semi-supervised tabular-image framework to address limited labeled data, improving AUC by 7% on cardiac disease diagnosis with 1% labeled data (CVPR 2025).

#### 2023-2023 Lenovo Research, Lenovo

Summer Research Intern in AI (Jul-Sep), Beijing, China

• Built a novel visual-aware large language model (LLM) for sequential recommendation with multi-task pre-training and instruction tuning. Published a patent.

# 2021-2023 Biomedical Signal and Image Computing Laboratory, University of British Columbia

Graduate Research Assistant in Machine Learning, Vancouver, BC, Canada

- First to investigate skin-tone bias in skin lesion classification and developed a novel disentangled contrastive model, improving predictive quality disparity by 2.7% (ECCVW 2022, Best Paper).
- Designed a new multi-domain vision transformer with domain adapters and mutual distillation to mitigate data sparsity in segmentation (MICCAI 2023).
- Designed a new parameter-efficient fine-tuning approach for skin lesion segmentation, matching SOTA performance with 10% parameters and 33% GFLOPs (MICCAIW 2023, Best Paper).

### 2019-2021 ICMLL, Beihang University

Undergraduate Research Assistant in Machine Learning, Beijing, China

- Develop a novel model using graph neural network (GNN) to bridge the cross-modal gap in fine granularity for the visual dialogue task (ACM MM 2020, oral).
- Designed a cost-sensitive visual dialogue framework to reduce data bias (Bachelor thesis).

### 2020-2020 Cognitive Robotics and AI Lab, Kent State university

Summer Research Intern in AI (Mar-Oct), Kent, US

• Proposed a self-supervised image encoder and an action generation module to enable robotic generalization across physical environments.

# **PUBLICATIONS**

### First-author

- 2025 STiL: Semi-supervised tabular-image learning for comprehensive task-relevant information exploration in multimodal classification
  - Du, S., Luo, X., O'Regan, D. P., and Qin, C.. Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR).
- TIP: Tabular-image pre-training for multimodal classification with incomplete data **Du, S.**, Zheng, S., Wang, Y., Bai, W., O'Regan, D. P., and Qin, C.. *European Conference on Computer Vision (ECCV)*.
- AVIT: Adapting vision transformers for small skin lesion segmentation datasets **Du, S.**, Bayasi, N., Hamarneh, G., and Garbi, R.. *International Conference on Medical Image Computing and Computer-Assisted Intervention (MICCAI) ISIC Workshop*. [Best Paper Award]
- 2023 MDViT: Multi-domain vision transformer for small medical image segmentation datasets **Du, S.**, Bayasi, N., Hamarneh, G., and Garbi, R.. *International Conference on Medical Image Computing and Computer-Assisted Intervention (MICCAI)*.
- 2022 FairDisCo: Fairer AI in dermatology via disentanglement contrastive learning **Du, S.**, Hers, B., Bayasi, N., Hamarneh, G., and Garbi, R.. European Conference on Computer Vision (ECCV) ISIC
  Workshop. [Best Paper Award]

#### Co-authored

- 2025 SegFormer3D: Improving the robustness of deep learning model-based image segmentation in ultrasound volumes of the pediatric hip
  - Hers, B., Bonta, M., Du, S., Mulpuri, K., et al.. Ultrasound in Medicine & Biology.
- 2024 CAR: Contrast-agnostic deformable medical image registration with contrast-invariant latent regularization Wang, Y., **Du, S.**, Zheng, S., Luo, X., and Qin, C.. *International Conference on Medical Image Computing and Computer Assisted Intervention (MICCAI) WBIR Workshop.*
- 2024 SGSR: Structure-guided multi-contrast MRI super-resolution via spatio-frequency co-query attention Zheng, S., Wang, Y., **Du, S.**, and Qin, C.. *International Conference on Medical Image Computing and Computer Assisted Intervention (MICCAI) MLMI Workshop*.
- 2023 Continual-GEN: Continual group ensembling for domain-agnostic skin lesion classification
  Bayasi, N., **Du, S.**, Hamarneh, G., and Garbi, R.. *International Conference on Medical Image Computing and Computer-Assisted Intervention (MICCAI) ISIC Workshop.* [Oral]
- 2020 KBGN: Knowledge-bridge graph network for adaptive vision-text reasoning in visual dialogue Jiang, X., **Du, S.**, Qin, Z., Sun, Y., and Yu, J.. 28th ACM International Conference on Multimedia (ACM MM). [Oral]

# **INVITED TALKS**

- 2025 Semi-supervised tabular-image learning for comprehensive task-relevant information exploration in multimodal classification
  - Oral presentation @Multimodal AI Workshop, London, UK
- 2025 **Multimodal Deep Representation Learning for Medical Data Analysis**Invited talk, HeartFlow (Medical AI Company), Online
- 2023 Adapting vision transformers for small skin lesion segmentation datasets Oral presentation @MICCAIW, Online
- 2022 Fairer AI in Dermatology via Disentanglement Contrastive Learning Oral presentation @ECCVW, Online

# **OTHER ACTIVITIES**

Reviewer	
2025	Conference Reviewer, International Conference on Learning Representations (ICLR)
2025	Conference Reviewer, The IEEE/CVF Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR)
2025	Conference Reviewer, International Conference on Computer Vision (ICCV)
2023-2025	<b>Conference Reviewer</b> , International Conference on Medical Image Computing and Computer-Assisted Intervention (MICCAI)
2025	Journal Reviewer, IEEE Transactions on Image Processing (TIP)

# **Teaching Assistant**

2025-2025	<b>Teaching Assistant</b> , Trustworthy Artificial Intelligence in Medical Imaging, IC, UK
2024-2025	Teaching Assistant, Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition, IC, UK
2024-2025	Teaching Assistant, Deep Learning course, IC, UK
2024-2025	Teaching Assistant, Machine Learning course, IC, UK
2022-2023	Teaching Assistant, Medical Image Course, UBC, Canada

# **HONORS & AWARDS**

2023-2027	3.5-year PhD Scholarship, IC, UK
2023	Best Paper Award, 8th ISIC Skin Image Analysis Workshop @MICCAI Conference
2023	Graduate Support Initiative (GSI) Award, UBC, Canada
2022	Best Paper Award, 7th ISIC Skin Image Analysis Workshop @ECCV Conference
2021-2023	2-year Research Assistant Scholarship, UBC, Canada
2021-2023	International Tuition Award, UBC, Canada
2020	Meritorious Winner, Mathematical Contest in Modeling in USA
2018	1st Prize, National Mathematics Competition for College Students, China
2018-2020	National Encouragement Scholarship, Ministry of Education of the People's Republic of China
2018-2019	Outstanding Student Award, Beihang University, China
2018-2019	Scholarship for Academic Competition, Beihang University, China

# **TECHNICAL SKILLS**

# **Machine Learning**

PytorchTensorflowScikit-learn

# **Software Programming**

PythonMATLABC

# **Hardware Programming**

SolidWorksAutoCADVerilog HDL

# **OTHER INFORMATION**

Nationality: ChineseGender: Female