Tonglin Yan

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Education

Université Paris-Saclay | Orsay, France

Oct 2023 - present

PhD in Psychology

- Advisors: David Rudrauf (Primary), Alain Finkel & Grégoire Sergeant-Perthuis (Co-supervisors)
- Thesis: Integration of advanced multimodal machine learning models in the Projective Consciousness Model for the study of non-verbal and verbal social behaviors in virtual reality.

University of Rouen Normandy | Rouen, France

Sept 2021 - Sept 2022

M.S. in Data Science and Engineering

INSA Rouen Normandie | Rouen, France

Sept 2017 - Sept 2022

Engineering degree in Mathematical and Software Engineering

Professional Experience

Algorithm Engineer, GuanYun Technology

Feb 2023 – June 2023

- Developed a motion capture system using 9-axis IMU sensors.
- Simulated human movement in Unity 3D for real-time motion analysis.

Research Assistant, ISIR, Sorbonne University

Mar 2022 - Sept 2022

- Designed a pipeline for constructing a biology-focused dataset.
- Researched and fine-tuned BERT/T5 models for question-answering tasks, improving task-specific accuracy by 15%.
- Evaluated pipeline efficiency and scalability.

Research Assistant, New York University

June 2021 - Sept 2021

- Predicted animal trajectories (ants/birds) using time-series analysis.
- Cleaned and imputed data via linear regression; extracted features using random forests.

Part-Time Assistant, Deloitte China

July 2020 - Sept 2020

- Conducted a case study on retail markdown strategies, analyzing promotional impacts.
- Delivered client recommendations via data-driven presentations.

Academic Experience

ASSC28, Crete, Greece	July 2025
ASSC27, Tokyo, Japan	July 2024
Qualia Structure Summer School, Osaka, Japan	June 2024

Publications

Virtual Agents

Preprints

Integrating Machine Consciousness Simulation and LLMs Toward Verbal and

May 2025

Non-Verbal General Intelligence in Artificial Agents

Tonglin Yan, Grégoire Perthuis-Sergeant, Kenneth Williford, David Rudrauf PCM-LLMs: A Hybrid Architecture to Enhance Human-like Social Intelligence in

April 2025

Tonglin Yan, Grégoire Perthuis-Sergeant, David Rudrauf

Integrated Information Theory (IIT) with Simple Maths

Feb 2024

Grégoire Perthuis-Sergeant, Tonglin Yan, Nils Ruet, Kenneth williford, David Rudrauf.

Skills

Programming: Python (PyTorch, TensorFlow), C#, Java, C++, R

Tools: Unity3D, Blender, OpenSIM **Languages:** Mandarin, French, English

Interests: Yoga (Certified Instructor), Chinese Calligraphy, Bouldering, Travel