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EDUCATION

Northwestern University

Master of Science in Computer Engineering

GPA: 3.97/4.0

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Northeastern University

Bachelor of Engineering in Intelligent Manufacturing Engineering

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Shenyang, China

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SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

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WorldAgen: Unified State-Action Prediction with Test-Time World Model Training

Chi Wan*, Kangrui Wang*, Yuan Si, Pingyue Zhang, Manling Li

AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence (AAAI), 2026

VAGEN: Reinforcing World Model Reasoning for Multi-Turn VLM Agents

Kangrui Wang*, Pingyue Zhang*, Zihan Wang*, Yaning Gao*, Linjie Li, Qineng Wang, Hanyang Chen, Chi Wan, Yiping Lu, Zhengyuan Yang, Lijuan Wang, Ranjay Krishna, Jiajun Wu, Li Fei-Fei, Yejin Choi, Manling Li

Advances in Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS), 2025

Dangerous Art Paintings: Artistic Adversarial Attacks on Salient Object Detection

Qian Chen*, Chi Wan*, Haichao Zhao, Tianrun Yang

IEEE International Conference on Consumer Electronics (ICCEIC), 2023

TSSTNet: A Two-Stream Swin Transformer Network for Salient Object Detection of No-Service Rail Surface Defects

Chi Wan, Shuai Ma, Kechen Song

Coatings, 2023 (Citations: 16)

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Machine Learning and Language Lab, Northwestern University

Research Assistant, Advisor: Prof. Manling Li, Prof. Huajie Shao

Evanston, US

Jan 2025 – Present

Mechatronics Lab, Northeastern University

Graduation Project, Advisor: Prof. Hongtai Cheng

Shenyang, China

Dec 2023 – Jun 2024

Imperial College London

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Jul 2023 – Aug 2023

Machine Vision and Robotics Lab, Northeastern University

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PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

- **Reviewer:** AAAI 2026, ICLR 2026, NeurIPS 2025