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Education

University of Southern California

Los Angeles, CA

PhD in Computer Science

Aug 2024 - Present

· Research in Multi-Agent Systems, Large Language Models, Reinforcement Learning, Generative Models

Columbia University New York, NY

MS IN COMPUTER SCIENCE, MACHINE LEARNING TRACK

Aug 2021 - May 2023

• Machine Learning and Robotics Research at Creative Machines Lab

University of Southern California

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BA IN APPLIED MATHEMATICS, BS IN COMPUTATIONAL NEUROSCIENCE, MINOR IN COMPUTER SCIENCE

Aug 2017 - May 2021

· Reinforcement Learning Research at USC Cognitive Architecture Lab

Experience

University of Southern California

Los Angeles, CA

GRADUATE RESEARCH ASSISTANT

Aug 2024 - Present

- Created a multi-modal Counter-Strike 2 dataset and developed a tactics-understanding foundation model for CS2, enabling advanced analysis
 of in-game strategies. Keywords: Multi-Modal Learning, Video Understanding, Esports Analytics
- Designed an LLM-based framework to align multi-agent behaviors in social simulations with expert data, reducing realism gaps by 84% and
 enabling cross-scenario transfer in crisis environments. Keywords: Generative Agents, LLMs + Optimization, Behavioral Alignment
- Developed a high-speed data-driven CS:GO simulation platform to foster multi-agent tactics research Keywords: Generative Modeling, Re-inforcement Learning, E-sports Analytics

Bubble Group, Inc.

New York, NY

Al Resident → Software Engineer II

Jul 2023 - Jul 2024

- Led Generative AI Research and Development for UI/UX Generation in No-Code Platform through Large Language Models and Diffusion Models
- Developed and launched % Bubble AI PAGE DESIGNER from-zero-to-one, generating customized and responsive interfaces from text prompt
- Designed the overall Large Language Model Agentic (LLM-Agent) architecture and Domain-Specific Language (DSL). These components plan and communicate to generate full-stack web apps while interacting with users, serving as the core backend of the Bubble AI service
- Keywords: Large Language Models, Retrieval-Augmented Generation, Al-Assisted Design

Creative Machines Lab at Columbia University

New York, NY

RESEARCH ASSISTANT

Sep 2021 - May 2023

- Developed and implemented a novel deep learning algorithm capable of identifying 12-DOF quadruped robot morphologies from intrinsic motion dynamics (kinaesthesia), enabling control and planning on robots with unseen morphologies
- Developed a conversational face robot with co-expressive facial dynamics and can generate lip-synced speech-driven talking faces through
 novel deep learning algorithms, bridging the gap to enable non-verbal communication capabilities in robots
- Led machine learning in both projects, utilized GAN, LSTM, and Transformer Architectures, handling modalities in speech, videos, 3D keypoints, pointcloud, and timeseries (IMU)
- Keywords: Generative AI, Multimodal Learning, Transfer Learning, Model Predictive Control, Human-Robot Interaction

USC Institute for Creative Technologies

Los Angeles, CA

STUDENT WORKER/RESEARCHER

Feb 2020 - Aug 2021

- Developed a Multi-Agent Reinforcement Learning Algorithm that efficiently and approximately solves Traveling Salesman Problem variants for Search-and-Rescue tasks using Graph Transformers, creating a Social Al-Agent that enhances Human-Al teaming
 Paper
- Software development for the Graphical Model aspects of the (Py)Sigma Cognitive Architecture

Institute of Computing Technology, Chinese Academy of Science

Beijing, China

RESEARCH ENGINEER INTERN

May 2019 - Aug 2019

- Natural Language Processing Research under Prof. Cungen Cao, focused on Knowledge Extraction
- Developed a rule-based system to improve Chinese Part-of-Speech tagging, boosting downstream knowledge extraction accuracy, integrating
 heuristic and data-mined rules through pattern matching



AI/ML PyTorch, Scikit-Learn, PyG, Tensor Programming, Data Visualization, Deep Learning, Large Language Models

Programming Python, JavaScript/TypeScript, Node.js, MATLAB, LaTeX, Git, C#, Unity, HTML/CSS, Tailwind CSS, SQL, Web Scraping

Languages English, Chinese

Preprints

1. Yunzhe Wang, Soham Hans, Volkan Ustun. "X-Ego: Acquiring Team-Level Tactical Situational Awareness via Cross-**Egocentric Contrastive Video Representation Learning.**" 2025.

- 2. Zhiheng Jiang, Yunzhe Wang, Ryan Marr, Ellen Novoseller, Benjamin T. Files, Volkan Ustun. "GraphAllocBench: A Flexible Benchmark for Preference-Conditioned Multi-Objective Policy Learning." 2025.
- 3. Tianyi Zhang, Xiaolin Zhou, Yunzhe Wang, Erik Cambria, David Traum, Rui Mao. "Individualized Cognitive Simulation in Large Language Models: Evaluating Different Cognitive Representation Methods." 2025.
- 4. Yuhang Hu, Yunzhe Wang, Judah Goldfeder, Philippe Wyder, Yifeng Cao, Steven Tian, Jiong Lin, Jingran Wang, Mengmeng Wang, Jie Zeng, Cameron Mehlman, Yingke Wang, Delin Zeng, Boyuan Chen, Hod Lipson. "Learning Realistic Lip Motions for Humanoid Face Robots." 2025.

Publications

- 1. Yunzhe Wang, Gale M. Lucas, Burcin Becerik-Gerber, Volkan Ustun. "Implicit Behavioral Alignment of Language Agents in Crowd-Based Social Simulations." Empirical Methods in Natural Language Processing (EMNLP 2025).
- 2. Yunzhe Wang, Volkan Ustun, Chris McGroarty. "A Data-Driven Discretized CS:GO Simulation Environment to Facilitate Strategic Multi-Agent Planning Research." 2025 Winter Simulation Conference (WSC 2025).
- 3. Yuhang Hu, Yunzhe Wang, Ruibo Liu, Zhou Shen, Hod Lipson. "Robot Configuration Identification from Motion Data." International Conference on Intelligent Robots and Systems (IROS 2024).
- 4. Yuhang Hu, Boyuan Chen, Jiong Lin, Yunzhe Wang, Yingke Wang, Cameron Mehlman, Hod Lipson. "Human-Robot Facial Co-expression." Science Robotics, 2024.
- 5. Yunzhe Wang, Nikolos Gurney, Jincheng Zhou, David Pynadath, Volkan Ustun . "Route Optimization in Service of a Search and Rescue Artificial Social Intelligence Agent." Association for the Advancement of Artificial Intelligence 2021 Fall Symposium Series (AAAI FSS 2021).