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EDUCATION

Shanghai Jiao Tong University	09/2022 - 2027 (expected)
Joint Ph.D. program with Shanghai AI Laboratory	Advisor: Prof. Jifeng Dai
Peking University	09/2019 - 06/2022
Double bachelor degree in Economics	
Beihang University	09/2018 - 06/2022
B.Eng in computer science	Overall GPA: 3.80

EXPERIENCE

OpenGVLab, Shanghai AI Laboratory	Shanghai
Research Intern, collaborated with Prof. Jifeng Dai and Dr. Xizhou Zhu	11/2022 - Present
TuTu. AI, Startup	Shanghai
Co-founder & Research Scientist	06/2023 - 02/2024
Fundamental Vision Group, SenseTime	Beijing
Research Intern, collaborated with Prof. Jifeng Dai and Dr. Xizhou Zhu	02/2022 - 10/2022
Sea AI Lab	Remotely at Beijing
Research Intern, collaborated with Prof. Shuicheng Yan and Dr. Jibin Wu	08/2021 - 02/2022
CoLab, Institute of Artificial Intelligence at Beihang University	Beijing
Research Intern, collaborated with Prof. Si Liu	08/2019 - 06/2022

PUBLICATIONS

1. Parameter-Inverted Image Pyramid Networks for Visual Perception and Multimodal Understanding
   Zhaokai Wang, Xizhou Zhu, Xue Yang, Gen Luo, Hao Li, Changyao Tian, Wenhan Dou, Junqi Ge, Lewei Lu, Yu Qiao, Jifeng Dai
   Preprint

2. Mono-InternVL-1.5: Towards Cheaper and Faster Monolithic Multimodal Large Language Models
   Gen Luo, Wenhan Dou, Wenhao Li, **Zhaokai Wang**, Xue Yang, Changyao Tian, Hao Li, Weiyun Wang, Wenhai Wang, Xizhou Zhu, Yu Qiao, Jifeng Dai
   Preprint

3. Multimodal Music Generation with Explicit Bridges and Retrieval Augmentation
   Baisen Wang, Le Zhuo, **Zhaokai Wang**, Chenxi Bao, Chengjing Wu, Xuecheng Nie, Jiao Dai, Jizhong Han, Yue Liao, Si Liu
   Preprint

4. TIDE: Temporal-Aware Sparse Autoencoders for Interpretable Diffusion Transformers in Image Generation
   Victor Shea-Jay Huang, Le Zhuo, Yi Xin, **Zhaokai Wang**, Peng Gao, Hongsheng Li
   Preprint

5. Does Reinforcement Learning Really Incentivize Reasoning Capacity in LLMs Beyond the Base Model?
   Yang Yue, Zhiqi Chen, Rui Lu, Andrew Zhao, **Zhaokai Wang**, Yang Yue, Shiji Song, Gao Huang
   ICML 2025 AI4MATH Workshop **Best Paper Award (2/172)**

6. Sparkle: Mastering Basic Spatial Capabilities in Vision Language Models Elicits Generalization to Composite Spatial Reasoning
   Yihong Tang*, Ao Qu*, **Zhaokai Wang***, Dingyi Zhuang*, Zhaofeng Wu, Wei Ma, Shenhao Wang, Yunhan Zheng, Zhan Zhao, Jinhua Zhao
   IJCAI 2025 MKLM Workshop

7. Vision-to-Music Generation: A Survey
   Zhaokai Wang, Chenxi Bao, Le Zhuo, Jingrui Han, Yang Yue, Yihong Tang, Victor Shea-Jay Huang, Yue Liao
   ISMIR 2025

8. OS Agents: A Survey on MLLM-based Agents for Computer, Phone and Browser Use
   Xueyu Hu, Tao Xiong, Biao Yi, Zishu Wei, Ruixuan Xiao, Yurun Chen, Jiasheng Ye, Meiling Tao, Xiangxin Zhou, Ziyu Zhao, Yuhuai Li, Shengze Xu, Shawn Wang, Xinchen Xu, Shuofei Qiao, **Zhaokai Wang**, Kun Kuang, Tieyong Zeng, Liang Wang, Jiwei Li, Yuchen Eleanor Jiang, Wangchunshu Zhou, Guoyin Wang, Keting Yin, Zhou Zhao, Hongxia Yang, Fan Wu, Shengyu Zhang, Fei Wu
   ACL 2025 **Oral**

9. Mono-InternVL: Pushing the Boundaries of Monolithic Multimodal Large Language Models with Endogenous Visual Pre-training
   Gen Luo*, Xue Yang*, Wenhan Dou*, **Zhaokai Wang***, Jiawen Liu, Jifeng Dai, Yu Qiao, Xizhou Zhu
   CVPR 2025

10. SynerGen-VL: Towards Synergistic Image Understanding and Generation with Vision Experts and Token Folding
    Hao Li, Changyao Tian, Jie Shao, Xizhou Zhu, **Zhaokai Wang**, Jinguo Zhu, Wenhan Dou, Xiaogang Wang, Hongsheng Li, Lewei Lu, Jifeng Dai
    CVPR 2025

11. Parameter-Inverted Image Pyramid Networks
    Xizhou Zhu*, Xue Yang*, **Zhaokai Wang***, Hao Li, Wenhan Dou, Junqi Ge, Lewei Lu, Yu Qiao, Jifeng Dai
    NeurIPS 2024 **Spotlight (Top 2.5%)**

12. ITINERA: Integrating Spatial Optimization with Large Language Models for Open-domain Urban Itinerary Planning
    Yihong Tang*, **Zhaokai Wang***, Ao Qu*, Yihao Yan*, Zhaofeng Wu, Dingyi Zhuang, Jushi Kai, Kebing Hou, Xiaotong Guo, Jinhua Zhao, Zhan Zhao, Wei Ma
    EMNLP 2024 & KDD 2024 UrbComp Workshop **Best Paper Award**

13. Auto MC-Reward: Automated Dense Reward Design with Large Language Models for Minecraft
    Hao Li*, Xue Yang*, **Zhaokai Wang***, Xizhou Zhu, Jie Zhou, Yu Qiao, Xiaogang Wang, Hongsheng Li, Lewei Lu, Jifeng Dai
    CVPR 2024

14. Video Background Music Generation: Dataset, Method and Evaluation
    Le Zhuo*, **Zhaokai Wang***, Baisen Wang*, Yue Liao, Chenxi Bao, Stanley Peng, Songhao Han, Aixi Zhang, Fei Fang, Si Liu
    ICCV 2023

15. Video Background Music Generation with Controllable Music Transformer
    Shangzhe Di, Zeren Jiang, Si Liu, **Zhaokai Wang**, Leyan Zhu, Zexin He, Hongming Liu, Shuicheng Yan
    ACM Multimedia 2021 **Best Paper Award (1/542)**

16. Confidence-aware Non-repetitive Multimodal Transformers for TextCaps
    Zhaokai Wang, Renda Bao, Qi Wu, Si Liu
    AAAI 2021

SELECTED AWARDS AND HONORS

Best Paper Award, ICML AI4MATH Workshop 2025	2025
Best Paper Award, KDD Urban Computing Workshop (UrbComp) 2024	2024
Best Zero to One Award, Alibaba Creator@AI Entrepreneur Hackathon Finals	2024
Outstanding Graduate of Beihang University	2022
Best Paper Award, ACM Multimedia 2021	2021
Best Video Award, IJCAI 2021 Video Competition	2021
First Place, CVPR TextCaps Challenge	2020

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Talks:

- 2025.4: Talk on Mono-InternVL at Open Multimodal Gathering Workshop hosted by NUS ShowLab.

Activities

- **Conference Reviewer:** ICCV 2023 & 2025, ECCV 2024, CVPR 2024 & 2025, EMNLP 2024, NeurIPS 2024, ICLR 2025, ICML 2025, AAAI 2025.

- **Teaching Assistant:** Fundamentals of Computers (2021), Software Engineering (2022).

Skills

- **Programming languages:** Python, C/C++, Java, JavaScript.

- **Scientific packages:** Numpy, Pytorch, Tensorflow.

- **English:** TOEFL 111 (S26) , GRE 327+4.0, CET-4 669, CET-6 612.