Yilin Wu

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ACADEMIC BACKGROUND

Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh PA

2023 - 2028 (expected)

Ph.D. in Robotics, School of Computer Science

Advisor: Andrea Bajcsy

Stanford University, Stanford CA

2021 - 2023

 $M.S.\ in\ Computer\ Science,\ Artifical\ Intelligence$

Advisor: Dorsa Sadigh

Shanghai Jiao Tong University, Shanghai China

2016 - 2020

B.S. in Information Security

University of California, Berkeley, Berkeley CA

2019.1 - 2019.9

Exchange Student in Electrical Engineering and Computer Science

Advisor: Pieter Abbeel

EXPERIENCE

The Interactive and Trustworthy Robotics Lab (Intent Lab), CMU

PhD Student

2024.5 - Present

Advised by Andrea Bajcsy

Research on failure detection and continual learning for robotic manipulation in the humancentered environment.

The Robots Perceiving and Doing Lab (R-Pad Lab), CMU

PhD Student

2023.10 - 2024.4

Advised by David Held

Research on applying reinforcement learning and flow-based methods for long-horizon, contact-rich manipulation, with robust generalization across object geometries, tool morphologies, and diverse tasks.

The Intelligent and Interactive Autonomous Systems Group (ILIAD Lab)

Master Student

2021.9 - 2023. 6

Advised by Dorsa Sadigh

Research on assistive feeding including bimanual food acquisition and reactive in-mouth bite transfer as well as affordance-based imitation learning for bimanual manipulation.

Nvidia Corporation, Santa Clara, CA

Research Intern

2022.6 - 2022.9

Developed methods to improve the efficiency of model-based distributed reinforcement learning in Applied Deep Learning Research Team.

Shanghai Qi Zhi Institute, Shanghai

Research Assistant

2020.9 - 2021.5

Advised by Yi Wu

Developed methods to improve reinforcement learning algorithms with self-imitation for robotic tasks by automatically discovering subgoals from value function.

Berkeley Artificial Intelligence Research Lab (BAIR Lab), UC Berkeley

Undergraduate Researcher

2019.1 - 2019.9

Advised by Pieter Abbeel

Proposed a conditional pick-and-place action space and developed a reinforcement learning method with spatial action maps for deformable object manipulation.

PUBLICATIONS

[9] Carl Qi*, **Yilin Wu***, Lifan Yu, Haoyue Liu, Bowen Jiang, Xingyu Lin[†], David Held[†].

Learning Generalizable Tool-use Skills through Trajectory Generation. *IEEE/RSJ International Conference on Intelligent Robots and Systems (IROS)*, 2024.

- [8] Bowen Jiang*, **Yilin Wu***, Wenxuan Zhou, Chris Paxton, David Held. Spatially-Grounded Motion Primitives for Manipulation. *Robotics: Science and Systems (RSS)*, 2024.
- [7] Alexander Khazatsky*, Karl Pertsch*, ... , **Yilin Wu**, DROID: A Large-Scale In-the-Wild Robot Manipulation Dataset. *Robotics: Science and Systems (RSS)*, 2024.
- [6] Abby O'Neill, ..., **Yilin Wu**, ... Open X-Embodiment: Robotic Learning Datasets and RT-X Models. *International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA)*, 2024. **Best Paper Award**
- [5] Jennifer Grannen, **Yilin Wu**, Brandon Vu, Dorsa Sadigh. Stabilize to Act: Learning to Coordinate for Bimanual Manipulation. *The Conference on Robot Learning (CoRL)*, 2023, **Oral Presentation**
- [4] Lorenzo Shaikewitz*, **Yilin Wu***, Suneel Belkhale*, Jennifer Grannen, Priya Sundaresan, Dorsa Sadigh. In-Mouth Robotic Bite Transfer with Visual and Haptic Sensing. *International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA)*, 2023
- [3] Jennifer Grannen*, **Yilin Wu***, Suneel Belkhale, Dorsa Sadigh. Learning Bimanual Scooping Policies for Food Acquisition. *The Conference on Robot Learning (CoRL)*, 2022
- [2] Yunfei Li, Yilin Wu, Huazhe Xu, Xiaolong Wang, Yi Wu. Solving Compositional Reinforcement Learning Problems via Task Reduction. *The International Conference on Learning Representations (ICLR)*, 2021
- [1] **Yilin Wu***, Wilson Yan*, Thanard Kurutach, Lerrel Pinto, Pieter Abbeel. Learning to Manipulate Deformable Objects without Demonstrations. *Robotics: Science and Systems (RSS)*, 2020

AWARDS

Graduated with Honor (Outstanding Graduate of Shanghai) 2020 Hongyi Scholarship 2019 National Scholarship 2017

ACADEMIC SERVICE

External Reviewer for Conferences, Journals

- International Symposium of Robotics Research (ISRR): 2024
- Conference on Robot Learning (CoRL): 2024
- International Conference on Intelligent Robots and Systems (IROS): 2023, 2024
- Robotics: Science and Systems (RSS): 2024
- International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA): 2024
- International Conference on Learning Representations (ICLR): 2024

Teaching Assistant for Computer Science Courses

• Carnegie Mellon University 16-831: Introduction to Roobt Learning

(Fall 2024)

• Stanford CS 221: Artificial Intelligence: Principles and Techniques (Spring 2023, Spring 2022, Fall 2021)

• Stanford CS 148: Introduction to Computer Graphics and Imaging

(Fall 2022)

 $\bullet\,$ Stanford CS182: Ethics, Public Policy, and Technological Change

(Winter 2023, Winter 2022)