

# YANQING LU

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## EDUCATION

**University of Southern California**  
M.S. in Computer Science (GPA: 3.90/4)

Los Angeles, CA  
Jan 2024 - Dec 2025 (Expected)

**Southern University of Science and Technology**  
B.S. in Mathematics and Applied Mathematics (GPA: 3.68/4)

Shenzhen, China  
Aug 2019 - Jun 2023

## PUBLICATIONS

\* indicates equal contribution.

### PEARL: Peer-Enhanced Adaptive Radio via On-Device LLM

Ju-Hyung Lee\*, Yanqing Lu\*, Klaus Doppler

*NeurIPS 2025 Workshop on AI and ML for Next-Generation Wireless Communications and Networking (AI4NextG)*

### On-Device LLM for Context-Aware Wi-Fi Roaming [[pdf](#)][[code](#)][[demo](#)]

Ju-Hyung Lee, Yanqing Lu, Klaus Doppler

*ICML 2025 Workshop on Machine Learning for Wireless Communication and Networks (ML4Wireless)*

### Caching for Edge Inference at Scale: A Mean Field Multi-Agent Reinforcement Learning Approach [[pdf](#)][[code](#)]

Yanqing Lu, Meng Zhang, Ming Tang

*IEEE Global Communications Conference (GLOBECOM) 2023*

## EXPERIENCES

### Nokia Technologies

*Research Intern (Supervisor: Dr. Klaus Doppler; Mentor: Dr. Ju-Hyung Lee)*

Sunnyvale, CA  
May 2025 - Aug 2025

- Proposed an LLM-based framework for adaptive device-to-device (D2D) communication.
- Optimized LLM post-training to enable **edge-efficient multi-task decision-making** for lower-layer wireless control.
- Developed an iOS demonstration app utilizing Apple's on-device LLM for real-time D2D optimization.

### WiDeS Group, University of Southern California

*Research Assistant (Supervisor: Prof. Andreas F. Molisch; Mentor: Dr. Ju-Hyung Lee)*

Los Angeles, CA  
Jan 2024 - May 2025

- Developed a deep reinforcement learning framework for autonomous base station deployment.
- Designed and implemented an on-device LLM framework for Wi-Fi roaming optimization with real-world demo.

### Baixing AI

*Software Engineer Intern*

Shanghai, China  
Sep 2023 - Dec 2023

- Developed a multi-agent chatbot system orchestrated via a **LLM-driven state machine**.
- Resolved recurring LLM service outages by redesigning the API key distribution system for improved scalability.
- Migrated the network protocol of the company's core product from HTTP to WebSocket.

### Prof. Ming Tang's Group, Southern University of Science and Technology

*Student Researcher (Advisor: Prof. Ming Tang)*

Shenzhen, China  
July 2022 - May 2023

- Proposed a cooperative mean-field **multi-agent reinforcement learning** (MARL) framework for scalable edge caching.
- Improved training efficiency and accelerated convergence compared to traditional cooperative MARL methods.

## PROJECTS

### Understanding SOAP from the Perspective of Gradient Whitening [[pdf](#)]

Mar 2025 - May 2025

- Analyzed three adaptive optimization algorithms, SOAP, Shampoo, and Adam through the lens of gradient whitening.
- Theoretically proved** the equivalence of SOAP and Shampoo under the Kronecker product assumption.

### Distilling Small Vision Language Models with Structured Reasoning [[pdf](#)][[code](#)]

Sep 2024 - Dec 2024

- Proposed a **knowledge distillation** framework for Visual Language Model (VLM), leveraging the structured reasoning capabilities of large VLMs to guide the training of small VLMs.

### AutoBS: Autonomous Base Station Deployment with Reinforcement Learning [[pdf](#)][[code](#)]

Jan 2024 - Dec 2024

- Proposed an asynchronous base station (BS) deployment framework using deep reinforcement learning.
- Achieved over 90% of the optimal deployment performance while exponentially reducing computational cost.

## SERVICES

- Reviewer, NeurIPS 2025 Workshop on AI and ML for Next-Generation Wireless Communications and Networking