

# YUANHAO (HOWARD) WANG

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## SUMMARY

AI researcher with a strong foundation in neural rendering, generative diffusion models, and high-performance GPU computing. Proven ability to translate cutting-edge research into deployed solutions, including the commercial rollout of neural adaptive tomography (**Voxray GmbH**). Experienced in coordinating multi-stakeholder AI projects with a focus on code integrity, reproducibility, and responsible deployment—bridging research, engineering, and societal risk mitigation.

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

Generative Diffusion Models, Neural Rendering, 3D Reconstruction, Inverse Problems, Optimization, Deep Learning, Computational Photography, Computational Imaging, High-Performance Computing

## SKILLS

**Programming Languages:** C++, Python, C, Verilog, Matlab  
**Frameworks:** CUDA, Pytorch, Libtorch, OpenMP  
**Tools:** Inkscape, Paraview, Blender, Avizo

## EXPERIENCE

**Washington University in St. Louis**, St. Louis, MO Sep 2024–Present  
*Postdoc Associate, Computational Imaging Group*

Diffusion model for inverse problems [1, 2], | *Python, C++, Libtorch, CUDA*

- Developed a unified diffusion unfolding network by decoupling the data-fidelity and prior terms, achieving significant speedup (0.71s per  $256 \times 256$  image) and enhanced performance across deblurring, super-resolution, and inpainting tasks.
- Implemented on C++/Libtorch/CUDA, achieving a 15% performance enhancement.
- Helped graduate students on deep learning research, specifically focusing on diffusion models for advanced 3D and temporal MRI sequence reconstructions.

**KAUST**, Thuwal, Saudi Arabia Jun 2021–Sep 2023  
*Research Assistant at Visual Computing Center*

Neural Representation on tomography [3, 4, 5, 6] | *C++, Libtorch, CUDA*

- Created differentiable models, which significantly enhance cryo-electron tomography reconstructions.
- Designed adaptive Density/Tensorial Density Fields capable of rapid 1K-resolution reconstructions (within an hour), extendable up to 4K.
- Utilized Avizo software for advanced volume visualization.
- **Impact:** This research contributed to the establishment of **Voxray GmbH**, demonstrating the practical viability of developed technologies.

**KAUST** — *Research Assistant at Visual Computing Center* Mar 2020–Jun 2021

Motion compensation and reconstruction of cryo-ET [7] | *C++, OpenMP*

- Incorporated beam-induced motion into the reconstruction pipeline to improve accuracy.
- Utilized a plug-and-play prior to address noise in the electron tomography data.

**KAUST** — *Research Assistant at Visual Computing Center* Jun 2020–Jun 2022

Rethink ISP pipeline [8] | *Python, Pytorch*

- Proposed that the Denoising (DN) + Super-resolution (SR)  $\rightarrow$  Demosaicking (DM) consistently outperforms other ISP pipelines.
- Released PixelShift200 dataset for color channel sampling.

**KAUST** — *Research Assistant at Visual Computing Center*  
Stereo Event-Camera Particle Tracking Velocimetry [9] | *Matlab*

Oct 2019–Mar 2020

- Developed the first event-camera-based stereo-PTV setup for measuring time-resolved fluid flow.
- Proposed an optimization framework to retrieve dense fluid velocity field from the event data.

**Tsinghua University**, Beijing, China  
*Research Assistant at School of Integrated Circuits*  
True Random Number Generator [10] | *Verilog*

Jul 2014–Jul 2016

- Designed a Cross Ring Oscillator based TRNG (CRTRNG). The CRTRNG generates **240Mbps** random number, while consuming only about **3000** logic elements on Altera Cyclone IV.
- Developed a **1Gbps** Cross Ring Oscillator based TRNG circuits based on SMIC 65nm.

## EDUCATION

**King Abdullah University of Science and Technology**, Thuwal, Saudi Arabia  
Ph.D. in Electrical and Computer Engineering

Sep 2016–Nov 2023

Advisor: Dr. Wolfgang Heidrich

**Tsinghua University**, Beijing, China  
M.S. in Electrical Engineering

Sep 2013–Jul 2016

Advisor: Dr. Shuguo Li

**Beijing University of Posts and Telecommunications**, Beijing, China  
B.S. in Communication Engineering

Sep 2009–Jul 2013

Advisor: Dr. Yitong Liu

## SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

- [1] **Yuanhao Wang**, Shirin Shoushtari and Ulugbek Kamilov, “Diff-unfolding: A model-based score learning framework for inverse problems,” [arxiv](#).
- [2] Shirin Shoushtari, Edward P. Chandler, **Yuanhao Wang**, M. Salman Asif and Ulugbek Kamilov, “Unsupervised detection of distribution shift in inverse problems using diffusion models,” [arxiv](#).
- [3] **Yuanhao Wang**, Ramzi Idoughi and Wolfgang Heidrich, “Learning adaptive tensorial density fields for clean cryo-et reconstruction,” *NeurIPS 2023*. [paper](#).
- [4] **Yuanhao Wang**, Ramzi Idoughi, Darius Rückert, Rui Li and Wolfgang Heidrich, “Adaptive differentiable grids for cryo-electron tomography reconstruction and denoising,” *Bioinformatics Advances*, 2023. [paper](#).
- [5] Darius Rückert, **Yuanhao Wang**, Rui Li, Ramzi Idoughi, and Wolfgang Heidrich, “NeAT: Neural Adaptive Tomography,” *ACM Trans. Graph.*, vol. 41, July 2022. [paper](#).
- [6] Rui Li, Darius Rückert, **Yuanhao Wang**, Ramzi Idoughi, and Wolfgang Heidrich, “Neural adaptive scene tracing (nascent),” *VMV 2022*. [paper](#).
- [7] **Yuanhao Wang**, Ramzi Idoughi, and Wolfgang Heidrich, “Joint motion-correction and reconstruction in cryo-em tomography,” in *ICIP 2022 (Oral)*, pp. 1101–1105, IEEE, 2022. [paper](#).
- [8] **Yuanhao Wang\***, Guocheng Qian\*, Jinjin Gu, Chao Dong, Wolfgang Heidrich, Bernard Ghanem, and Jimmy Ren, “Rethinking learning-based demosaicing, denoising, and super-resolution pipeline,” in *ICCP 2022 (equal contribution)*, pp. 1–12, 2022. [paper](#).
- [9] **Yuanhao Wang**, Ramzi Idoughi, and Wolfgang Heidrich, “Stereo event-based particle tracking velocimetry for 3d fluid flow reconstruction,” in *ECCV 2020*, pp. 36–53, Springer, 2020. [paper](#).
- [10] **Yuanhao Wang** and Shuguo Li, “A high-speed digital true random number generator based on cross ring oscillator,” *IEICE Trans. on Fund. of Elec., Com. and Com. Sci.*, vol. 99, no. 4, pp. 806–818, 2016. [paper](#).

## ACADEMIC SERVICES

Reviewer: CVPR, ECCV, ICCV, NeurIPS, IEEE TVCG, IEEE TCI, PTL, IEEE OJSP, Experiments in Fluids, Magnetic Resonance in Medicine