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Education

(Expected) Sep 2023 -

Department of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science, Massachusetts Institute of Technology

• Ph.D. Program in Electrical Engineering and Computer Science

Sep 2019 – Jun 2023

Institute for Interdisciplinary Information Sciences, Tsinghua University

- · B.S. in Computer Science and Technology
- GPA 3.89/4.0, last two year GPA 4.0/4.0

Feb 2022 – Jul 2022

Department of Brain and Cognitive Sciences, Massachusetts Institute of Technology

• Visiting Student

Research Experiences

March 2023 – Ongoing

Predicting fMRI Response of Human Visual System with Pre-trained Visual-Textual Neural Networks

• Advised by Prof. Pei Sun at Department of Psychology, Tsinghua University

Feb 2022 – Ongoing

Human-like Capacity Limitation in Multi-system Models of Working Memory

• Advised by Prof. Robert Yang at the MIT Department of Brain and Cognitive Sciences (BCS) (Lab website link)

Jun 2022 – Sep 2022

Hebbian and Gradient-based Plasticity Enables Robust Memory and Rapid Learning in RNNs

- Advised by Prof. Kaisheng Ma at Institute for Interdisciplinary Information Sciences (IIIS), Tsinghua University (Lab website link)
- Co-advised by Prof. Yi Zhong at IDG/McGovern Institute and School of Life Sciences, Tsinghua University

Mar 2021 – Jan 2022

Modeling the Fly Olfactory System with Plastic and Compartmentalized RNNs

Advised by Prof. Kaisheng Ma and Prof. Yi Zhong

- Hebbian and Gradient-based Plasticity Enables Robust Memory and Rapid Learning in RNNs
 - Yu Duan, Zhongfan Jia, Qian Li, Yi Zhong, Kaisheng Ma
 - Eleventh International Conference on Learning Representations (ICLR 2023)
- Human-like Capacity Limits in Working Memory Models Result from Naturalistic Sensory Constraints
 - Yudi Xie*, **Yu Duan***, Aohua Cheng, Pengcen Jiang, Christopher Cueva, Guangyu Robert Yang (*equal contribution)
 - Computational and Systems Neuroscience (COSYNE 2023)
- 2022 | Human-like Capacity Limitation in Multi-system Models of Working Memory
 - Yudi Xie*, **Yu Duan***, Aohua Cheng, Pengcen Jiang, Christopher Cueva, Guangyu Robert Yang (*equal contribution)
 - Conference on Cognitive Computational Neuroscience (CCN 2022)
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Honors

- 2022 | Scholarship for Scientific Innovation, Tsinghua University
- 2021 Scholarship for Academic Excellence, Tsinghua University
- 2019 | Freshman Scholarship, Tsinghua University
- 2017 | Gold Medal, National Olympiad in Informatics, China