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## EDUCATION

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Tsinghua University, Department of Computer Science and Technology Aug. 2022 – Present  
Beijing, China

**Ph.D candidate** advised by Prof. Jun Zhu

Currently researching into **Trustworthy AI and Multimodal Learning**

Tsinghua University, Department of Computer Science and Technology Aug. 2018 – July 2022  
Beijing, China

**Bachelor of Engineering, GPA: 3.90/4.00, Ranking: 7/235**

Secondary Bachelor of Science in Psychology

NCEE: 709/750, **8th top scorer** of science in Beijing (~35k students)

## PUBLICATIONS

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(\* indicates equal contribution)

### PUBLISHED IN CONFERENCES

MULTITRUST: A Comprehensive Benchmark Towards Trustworthy Multimodal Large Language Models  
**Yichi Zhang**, Yao Huang, Yitong Sun, Chang Liu, Zhe Zhao, Zhengwei Fang, Yifan Wang, Huanran Chen,  
Xiao Yang, Xingxing Wei, Hang Su, Yinpeng Dong, Jun Zhu  
*Advances in Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS), 2024*

PINNacle: A Comprehensive Benchmark of Physics-Informed Neural Networks for Solving PDEs  
Zhongkai Hao, Jiachen Yao, Chang Su, Hang Su, Ziao Wang, Fanzhi Lu, Zeyu Xia, **Yichi Zhang**, Songming  
Liu, Lu Lu, Jun Zhu  
*Advances in Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS), 2024*

Exploring the Transferability of Visual Prompting for Multimodal Large Language Models (**Highlight**,  
~**top 2.8%**)

**Yichi Zhang**, Yinpeng Dong, Siyuan Zhang, Tianzan Min, Hang Su, Jun Zhu  
*IEEE/CVF Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR), 2024*

Rethinking Model Ensemble in Transfer-based Adversarial Attacks  
Huanran Chen, **Yichi Zhang**, Yinpeng Dong, Jun Zhu  
*International Conference on Learning Representations (ICLR), 2024*

Understanding the Robustness of 3D Object Detection With Bird's-Eye-View Representations in Au-  
tonomous Driving  
Zijian Zhu\*, **Yichi Zhang**\*, Hai Chen, Yinpeng Dong, Shu Zhao, Wenbo Ding, Jiachen Zhong, Shibao  
Zheng  
*IEEE/CVF Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR), 2023*

### PUBLISHED IN JOURNALS

To make yourself invisible with Adversarial Semantic Contours  
**Yichi Zhang**, Zijian Zhu, Hang Su, Jun Zhu, Shibao Zheng, Yuan He, Hui Xue  
*Computer Vision and Image Understanding (CVIU), 2023*

## RELEASED AS PREPRINTS

STAIR: Improving Safety Alignment with Introspective Reasoning

**Yichi Zhang**, Siyuan Zhang, Yao Huang, Zeyu Xia, Zhengwei Fang, Xiao Yang, Ranjie Duan, Dong Yan, Yinpeng Dong, Jun Zhu

*ArXiv, 2025*

Physics-informed machine learning: A survey on problems, methods and applications

Zhongkai Hao, Songming Liu, **Yichi Zhang**, Chengyang Ying, Yao Feng, Hang Su, Jun Zhu

*ArXiv, 2022*

## COMPETITIONS

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The **1st place** in the Adversarial Robustness track of 2022 International Algorithm Case Competition Feb. 2023

The **2nd place** in the CVPR 2021 Security AI Challenger Unrestricted Adversarial Attacks on ImageNet June 2021

The **8th place** in the CIKM 2020 Adversarial Challenge on Object Detection Sept. 2020

## WORK EXPERIENCE

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**RealAI** | *Research Intern*

Oct. 2022 – Dec. 2023

Safety and robustness of deep learning models in wide applications

**Tencent** | *Research Intern*

July 2021 – Sept. 2021

Advertising models and re-ranking models in the recommendation system of Tencent Video Platform

## SELECTED AWARDS

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Tsinghua Outstanding Graduates (**top 2%**) June 2022

Beijing Outstanding Graduates (**top 5%**) June 2022

Beijing Merit Students (**Only one student in the department each year**) Mar. 2022

Tsinghua Overall Excellence Scholarships Dec. 2019,2020,2021

## SERVICE

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### Organizer

ICML2024 Workshop on Trustworthy Multi-modal Foundation Models and AI Agents (TiFA)

CVPR2025 Workshop on Test-time Scaling for Computer Vision (ViSCALE)

### Reviewer

ICML2024, ICLR2025, ICML2025, ACL2025, TPAMI

### Teaching

TA in Machine Learning, instructed by Prof. Jun Zhu and Prof. Jie Tang, 2023 Autumn

## SKILLS

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**Language:** TOEFL 115/120, CET4

**Programming:** Python, C/C++, Java, PyTorch, LaTeX

**Hobbies:** Basketball, Chorus