Yifan Wang

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EDUCATION

Stony Brook University

NY, United States

Ph.D. in Computer Science

Aug. 2024 - present

Advisor: Prof. Chenyu You

Research Focus: Computer Vision, Machine Learning and Cognitive Science

ShanghaiTech University *Bachelor in Computer Science*

Shanghai, China

Sept. 2020 - Jul. 2024

Advisor: Prof. Kan Ren

Overall GPA: 3.77 / 4.00; Rank: 17 / 248

University of California, Berkeley

CA, United States

Undergraduate Exchange Student in Computer Science

Overall GPA: 3.92 / 4.00

Aug. 2022 - Jun. 2023

INTERNSHIP

NEC Labs America

CA, United States

Research Intern in Media Analytics Department

May. 2025 - Aug. 2025

Advisor: Dr. Ziyu Jiang

Research Focus: Advanced scene simulation methodologies for autonomous driving

RESEARCH INTERESTS

My research interest broadly lies in Computer Vision, Machine Learning and Cognitive Science. I am intrigued by the intersection of cognitive science and machine learning, and I am committed to the development of reliable machine learning systems.

PUBLICATION(* EQUAL CONTRIBUTION)

Ouroboros: Single-step Diffusion Models for Cycle-consistent Forward and Inverse Rendering

ICCV 2025

Shanlin Sun*, Yifan Wang*, Hanwen Zhang*, Yifeng Xiong, Qin Ren, Ruogu Fang, Xiaohui Xie, Chenyu You

OTSurv: A Novel Multiple Instance Learning Framework for Survival Prediction with Heterogeneity-aware Optimal Transport

MICCAI 2025

Qin Ren, Yifan Wang, Ruogu Fang, Haibin Ling, Chenyu You

Dissecting and Mitigating Diffusion Bias via Mechanistic Interpretability

CVPR 2025

Yingdong Shi*, Changming Li*, **Yifan Wang**, Yongxiang Zhao, Anqi Pang, Sibei Yang, Jingyi Yu, Kan Ren

Discovering Influential Neuron Path in Vision Transformers

ICLR 2025

Yifan Wang, Yifei Liu, Yingdong Shi, Changming Li, Anqi Pang, Sibei Yang, Jingyi Yu, Kan Ren

BEAT: Berkeley Emotion and Affect Tracking Dataset

Journal of Vision 24 (10), 1226-1226

Ana Hernandez, Zhihang Ren, Jefferson Ortega, Yifan Wang, Zhimin Chen, Yunhui Guo, Stella Yu, David Whitney

EEGFormer: Towards Transferable and Interpretable Large-Scale EEG Foundation Model

AAAI 2024 (Spring Symposium Series)

Yuqi Chen, Kan Ren, Kaitao Song, Yansen Wang, Yifan Wang, Dongsheng Li, Lili Qiu

Region-Based Emotion Recognition via Superpixel Feature Pooling

CVPR Workshorp 2024

Zhihang Ren, Yifan Wang, Tsung-Wei Ke, Yunhui Guo, Stella Yu, David Whitney

VEATIC: Video-based Emotion and Affect Tracking in Context Dataset

WACV 2024

Zhihang Ren*, Jefferson Ortega*, Yifan Wang*, Zhimin Chen, David Whitney, Yunhui Guo, Stella Yu

SERVICE

Conference Reviewer: NeurIPS 2025, MICCAI 2025, CVPR 2025.

Journal Reviewer: Pattern Recognition, TMI, TNNLS.

AWARDS & HONORS

\triangleright	Outstanding Graduate in ShanghaiTech University	2024
\triangleright	2022-2023 Merit Student in ShanghaiTech University	2023
\triangleright	2022-2023 Undergraduate International Exchange Special Scholarship in ShanghaiTech Univ	ersity 2023
\triangleright	2021-2022 Merit Student in ShanghaiTech University	2022
\triangleright	Outstanding Individual Award of Industrial Practice Group in ShanghaiTech University	2022
\triangleright	Outstanding Individual Award of Social Practice Group in ShanghaiTech University	2021
>	Robomaster competition national 2nd prize	2020-2021

TECHNICAL PROFICIENCIES

Programming Languages: Python, C/C++, MATLAB, RISC-V, CUDA, R, HTML, etc.

Tools & Frameworks: PyTorch, TensorFlow, JAX, OpenCV, git, Latex, Markdown, etc.

Language: Mandarin(Native speaker), English(Fluent).