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EDUCATION

TONGJI UNIVERSITY , SHANGHAI, CHINA <i>MASTER</i> , COMPUTER SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY with GPA of 85.19/100	2022.09 – 2025.03 (expected)
TONGJI UNIVERSITY , SHANGHAI, CHINA <i>BACHELOR</i> , COMPUTER SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY with GPA of 4.76/5.0, general ranking of 8/155, top 5.16%	2018.09 - 2022.06
i Skills and Awards	
• Graduate National Scholarship (top 0.2%)	2023.09 - 2024.08
• TOEFL	2024.03
Outstanding Undergraduate Thesis	2022.06

• Scholarship for outstanding students for three consecutive years 2018.09 - 2021.08

Selected Papers

* means co-first author, † means corresponding author

- Scrutinize What We Ignore: Reining In Task Representation Shift In Context-Based Offline Meta Reinforcement Learning. Hai Zhang, Boyuan Zheng, Tianying Ji, Jinhang Liu, Anqi Guo, Junqiao Zhao[†], Lanqing Li[†]. *Under review in ICLR 2025*
- How to Fine-tune the Model: Unified Model Shift and Model Bias Policy Optimization. Hai Zhang, Hang Yu, Junqiao Zhao[†], Di Zhang, Chang Huang, Hongtu Zhou, Xiao Zhang, and Chen Ye. *In NeurIPS* 2023
- Towards an Information Theoretic Framework of Context-Based Offline Meta-Reinforcement Learning. Lanqing Li* (supervisor), Hai Zhang*, Xinyu Zhang, Shatong Zhu, Yang Yu, Junqiao Zhao†, and Pheng-Ann Heng. *In NeurIPS 2024 Spotlight*
- Safe Reinforcement Learning with Dead-Ends Avoidance and Recovery. Xiao Zhang, Hai Zhang, Hongtu Zhou, Chang Huang, Di Zhang, Chen Ye[†], Junqiao Zhao[†]. In IEEE Robotics and Automation Letters 2023 (Oral in ICRA 2024)
- Focus On What Matters: Separated Models For Visual-Based RL Generalization. Di Zhang, Bowen Lv, Hai Zhang, Feifan Yang, Hongtu Zhou, Chang Huang, Hang Yu, Chen Ye, Junqiao Zhao[†], and Changjun Jiang. *In NeurIPS 2024*

📽 Research experience

QIZHI INSTITUTE(Tsinghua University IIIS) SHANGHAI, CHINA 2024.06 – up to now

RESEARCH INTERN supervised by Prof. Yang Gao

Explore the generalization ability towards robotic manipulation via VLA architecture.

ZHEJIANG LAB(CUHK) HANGZHOU, ZHEJIANG, CHINA

2023.07 - 2024.05

RESEARCH INTERN supervised by Prof. Lanqing Li & Prof. Pheng-Ann Heng

Explore the generalization ability towards offline meta-reinforcement learning with the model-based techniques.

₿ PROJECTS

OpenVLA-PLUS.

- Role: Substitute the backbone of OpenVLA from Llama2 7B to a small model with only 0.2B parameters to achieve computational and communication reduction. (FSDP \rightarrow DDP)
- Performance improvement on LIBERO-Long benchmark is 53.7% -> 75.6% with only 1.5 hours training on 8 × A800 GPUs.

Distributed Complete Vehicle Cloudization

- Invention Patent (Submitted, Patent Number: 202310899331.2)
- National Key R&D Program
- Role: Use the distributed framework to achieve cloud-based transmission of vehicle information.

NIO, SHANGHAI, CHINA

- Intern for Backend Development Engineer
- Role: Use MongoDB and Redis database, Kafka consumer group to solve distributed events.

Unknown Environment Exploration and Application Device Based on Deep Reinforcement Learning 2020.05 – 2021.03

- Innovation and Entrepreneurship Program for SHANGHAI University Students.
- Role: Use representation learning combined with RL to achieve end-to-end vehicle driving on CARLA.

L COMPETITIONS

RLChina Intelligent Agent Challenge Nonin Spring Season Curling Challenge

- Second Place in finals, Sixth Place in total scores
- Role: Optimize PPO and rule-based agent to complete curling strikes in a POMDP environment

WAIC: Meta-verse Lights Up Autonomous Driving, AI Simulation Driving Competition

- Second Place (Unique), won 40 thousand RMB
- Role: Process the perceptual information and Design the code of the decision state machine

Intel Cup National College Students Embedded System Invitational Competition

- National Second Prize
- Role: Design the overall architecture and complete the full-view image stitching

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

• Reviewer: ICLR 2025

2024.06 – up to now

2022.05 - 2023.01

2021.10 - 2022.03