

# Wenxin Ma

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## Introduction

I am a master's student in University of Science and Technology of China, advised by Prof. [S.Kevin Zhou](#), an IEEE Fellow. I am also a visiting student at CCVL lab of Johns Hopkins University, collaborating with Ph.D. candidate Jeineng Chen, under the supervision of Prof. [Alan Yullie](#). Prior to this, I completed my undergraduate studies in the Zhiyuan Honored Program at Shanghai Jiao Tong University.

My current research specializes in *3D Spatial Reasoning*, *Robust AI*, and *AI in medical applications*.

## Education

**Visiting Scholar: Johns Hopkins University**, Whiting School of Engineering April 2025 – Present

- Research Topic: 3D Spatial Reasoning, AIGC

**Master of Science: University of Science and Technology of China (USTC)**, Biomedical Engineering Sept 2023 – Present

- Weighted Average Score: 90.7/100 (Top 5%)

- Coursework(Score): Medical Imaging Computing, Advanced Computer Architecture, Computer Vision

**Bachelor: Shanghai Jiao Tong University (SJTU)**, Biomedical Science in Zhiyuan Honored Program Sept 2019 – June 2023

- Weighted Average Score: 88.6/100

- Coursework(Score): *Honored Course* Linear Algebra(88), *Honored Course* Mathematical Analysis(89), Probability and Statistics(100), Data Structure(96)

## Honor

**China National Scholarship** by Chinese Ministry of Education (Top 0.2%) Nov 2024

**Outstanding Student Scholarship(Grade 1)** by USTC (Top 30%) Oct 2023, 2024

**Zhiyuan Honored Scholarship** by SJTU (Top 5%) Nov 2019 to 2023

## Publications and Contributions

**AA-CLIP: Enhancing Zero-shot Anomaly Detection via Anomaly-Aware CLIP** CVPR2025

*Wenxin Ma*, Xu Zhang, Qingsong Yao, ..., Zihang Jiang, S.Kevin Zhou

**Contribution:** project leadership, model research, pipeline idea, coding, and writing

- Through preliminary experiments, I discovered the problem of anomaly-unawareness in CLIP. Accordingly, I designed a two-stage training strategy to encode anomaly-aware information into the original CLIP.
- I succeeded in overcoming catastrophic forgetting problem during adaptation, by incorporating residual adapters into CLIP which boost zero-shot anomaly detection performance without compromising the model's generalization ability.

**Pre-Trained LLM Is A Semantic-Aware and Generalizable Segmentation Booster** MICCAI2025

*Wenxin Ma*<sup>\*</sup>, Fenghe Tang<sup>\*</sup>, Zihang Jiang, S.Kevin Zhou

**Contribution:** model research, pipeline idea, comparison experiments, and writing

- I proposed to use a LLM block in medical segmentation model and completed the design and implementation.
- I proposed the possibility that the LLM layer can understand visual semantics and facilitate CNN modeling, supported by visualization analysis and statistic analysis.
- We have proven the robustness of this design, using different LLM layers including LLaMA and DeepSeek.

**Towards Accurate Unified Anomaly Segmentation** WACV2025 Oral

*Wenxin Ma*, Qingsong Yao, ..., Zihang Jiang, S.Kevin Zhou

**Contribution:** project leadership, model research, pipeline idea, coding, and writing

- Based on thorough analysis of previous work, I explored uncovered false positive issues in inflated AUROC scores reported in previous works.
- I enhanced the model design to detect diverse anomalies by introducing a novel approach using sample-aware memory queries, which improved the learning of generalizable anomaly semantics. Furthermore, I developed a hybrid architecture combining transformers and CNNs to enhance low-level segmentation performance. Extensive experimental evaluations demonstrated significant improvements in segmentation accuracy.

**A General Knowledge Injection Framework for ICD Coding**

ACL2025 (Findings)

Xu Zhang, Kun Zhang, *Wenxin Ma*, ..., S.Kevin Zhou

**Contribution:** model research, pipeline idea discussion, and writing

**Hi-End-MAE: Hierarchical encoder-driven masked autoencoders are stronger vision learners for medical image segmentation**

MIA Major Revision

Fenghe Tang, Qingsong Yao, *Wenxin Ma*, Chenxu Wu, Zihang Jiang, S.Kevin Zhou

**Contribution:** model research, pipeline idea discussion, writing, and revision

**NLR2ENN: Non-Linear Redundancy-Removing Evidential Neural Network for near-Out-Of-Distribution Detection**

Under Review

*Wenxin Ma*<sup>\*</sup>, Zhelong Huang<sup>\*</sup>, Chenxu Wu, Qingpeng Kong, Xueming Fu, Xu Zhang, S.Kevin Zhou

**Contribution:** model research, pipeline idea, comparison experiments, and writing

- We summarized previous methods and identified the suboptimal redundancy modeling. Consequently, we proposed a simple yet effective non-linear strategy, namely Non-Linear Redundancy-Removing Evidential Neural Network to model and remove redundant evidence with high flexibility.

**Histomorphology-driven multi-instance learning for breast cancer WSI classification**

Under Review

Baizhi Wang, Rui Yan, *Wenxin Ma*, ..., Xu Zhang, S.Kevin Zhou

**Contribution:** model research, pipeline idea, and writing

## Experience

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**Reviewer:** Medical Image Analysis

**Patent:** A System for Unsupervised Anomaly Detection

Sep 2023 - Present

**TA:** Special Topic on Biomedical Engineering and Technological Innovation

Sep 2024 – Present

**TA:** Frontiers of Electronic Information

Sep 2023 – Jan 2024

## Skills

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**Coding:** Proficient in Python (including deep learning frameworks), intermediate in C++

**Language:** TOEFL 106 (R 28, L 28, S 23, W 27)

## Brief SOP and Future Plan

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My journey into computer science began unexpectedly. As a medical student, I discovered AI during a course and was immediately captivated. This curiosity led me to pursue CS-related courses, where I met my current supervisor and started my master's journey under his supervision.

With the guidance of my advisor and driven by a deep curiosity, I have built a strong foundation in deep learning algorithms and gained hands-on experience in designing, implementing, and refining AI models. Tackling complex challenges and working with state-of-the-art tools has sharpened my practical skills and deepened my passion for advancing the field. Along the way, I've been fortunate to collaborate with many talented individuals, whose insights and dedication have further enriched my journey.

Looking back, I'm proud to have demonstrated strong self-learning abilities and made substantial progress in my academic and research journey. Looking ahead, I plan to pursue a **Ph.D. starting in Fall 2026**. I am eager to contribute to meaningful advancements in this transformative field and to collaborate with passionate researchers to drive innovation forward.