# Xindi (Cindy) Wu

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Education

**Princeton University** Princeton, NJ Ph.D. student, Computer Science Department, School of Engineering and Applied Science Aug. 2022 - Now Advisor: Olga Russakovsky Carnegie Mellon University Pittsburgh, PA Aug. 2020 - Dec. 2021 Master of Science in Computer Vision, Robotics Institute, School of Computer Science Advisor: Deva Ramanan Xi'an Jiaotong University Xi'an, China Bachelor of Science in Computer Science, Honors Youth Program Sept. 2016- July 2020 Advisors: Jinjun Wang & Pengju Ren Publications & Preprints [1] ICONS: Influence Consensus for Vision-Language Data Selection X. Wu, M. Xia, R. Shao, Z. Deng, PW Koh, O. Russakovsky Preprint 2024 [2] Corgi: Cached Memory-Guided Video Generation X. Wu, U. Singer, Z. Lin, A. Madotto, X. Xia, PA. Crook, YE. Xu, XL. Dong, S. Moon WACV 2025 [3] ConceptMix: A Compositional Image Generation Benchmark with Controllable Difficulty X. Wu\*, D. Yu\*, Y. Huang\*, O. Russakovsky, S. Arora NeurIPS D&B 2024 [4] Vision-Language Dataset Distillation X. Wu, B. Zhang, Z. Deng, O. Russakovsky TMLR 2024 [5] SWE-bench Multimodal: Do AI Systems Generalize to Visual Software Domains? J. Yang\*, C. Jimenez\*, ..., X. Wu, ..., O. Press Arxiv 2024 [6] CharXiv: Charting Gaps in Realistic Chart Understanding in Multimodal LLMs Z. Wang, ..., X. Wu, ..., D. Chen NeurIPS D&B 2024 [7] Language Models as Science Tutors A. Chevalier,..., X. Wu,..., D. Chen ICML 2024 [8] Pix2Map: Cross-modal Retrieval for Inferring Street Maps from Images X. Wu, K. Lau, F. Ferroni, A. Osep, D. Ramanan CVPR 2023 [9] Ego4D: Around the World in 3,000 Hours of Egocentric Video K. Grauman,..., X. Wu,..., Jitendra Malik CVPR 2022 [10] Toward Learning Robust and Invariant Representations with Alignment Regularization and Data Augmentation H. Wang, Z. Huang, X. Wu and EP. Xing [11] CryoETGAN: Cryo-electron Tomography Image Synthesis Using Unpaired Image Translation X. Wu, C. Li, H. Wei, H. Deng, J. Zhang and M. Xu Frontiers in Physiology Computational Physiology and Medicine, 2022 [12] Squared l2 Norm as Consistency Loss for Leveraging Augmented Data to Learn Robust and Invariant Representations H. Wang, Z. Huang, X. Wu and EP. Xing Arxiv 2021 [13] Marrying Motion Forecasting and Offline Model-Based Reinforcement Learning for Self-Driving Cars S. Pande and X. Wu Preprint 2021 [14] High Frequency Component Helps Explain the Generalization of Convolutional Neural Networks. H. Wang, X. Wu, Z. Huang, EP. Xing CVPR 2020 [15] Transferable Adversarial Attacks on Deep Reinforcement Learning X. Pan, Y. Cao, X. Wu, E. Zelikman, C. Xiao, Y. Sui, R. Chakraborty, RS. Fearing Workshop on Adversarial ML at CVPR 2020 [16] Reducing Exploitation of Data Idiosyncrasy Helps Robustify Trained Models X. Wu, H. Wang, E. Zelikman, M. Xu and EP. Xing Preprint 2020 [17] Regularized Adversarial Training (RAT) for Robust Cellular Electron Cryo Tomograms Classification X. Wu, Y. Mao, H. Wang, X. Zeng, X. Gao, EP. Xing, M. Xu BIBM 2019 [18] Template-based and Template-free Approaches in Cellular Cryo-electron Tomography Structural Pattern Mining. X. Wu, X. Zeng, Z. Zhu, X. Gao and M. Xu Computational Biology, Codon Publications, Brisbane, Australia, 2019 [19] Deep Self-Paced Learning for Semi-supervised Person Re-identification Using Multi-View Self-Paced Clustering X. Xin, X. Wu, Y. Wang, J. Wang ICIP 2019 [20] Multitask Learning With Enhanced Modules Z. Zheng, Y. Wei, Z. Zhao, X. Wu, Z. Li and P. Ren DSP 2018

## Experience

Meta Reality Lab

Research Scientist Intern w/ Dr. Shane Moon

May. 2023 - Aug. 2023

Redmond, WA

• We introduce compositional video generation, a new paradigm for multi-scene T2V generation guided by subject finetuning.

### Robotics Institute - CMU Argo AI Center for Autonomous Vehicle Research

Pittsburgh, PA

CMU Sponsered Capstone | Research Assistant w/ Prof. Deva Ramanan

Jan. 2021 - Jan. 2022

- Proposed a contrastive cross-modal approach to dynamic street map construction from camera data. Trained the graph encoder and image encoder with a shared latent space building on recent advances in multimodal representation learning.
- Defined a new task and benchmark for map maintenance, evaluating both fidelity and generalization. Demonstrated that this approach has the ability to generalize both to novel observations within a city as well as to unseen cities.

#### Snap Inc. Perception Team

New York, NY

Research Intern w/Dr. Alireza Zareian and Dr. Chen Wang

May 2021 - Aug. 2021

- Developed a sample-efficient method to generate self-supervised vision and language representations incorporating ideas from CLIP, supporting a variety of downstream zero-shot tasks including classification, object detection, and segmentation.
- Achieved a 24% relative improvement on top-1 ImageNet accuracy over CLIP trained with the Conceptual Captions 3M dataset.

## Facebook AI Research & Carnegie Mellon University, Robotics Institute

Pittsburgh, PA

Research Assistant w/ Prof. Kris Kitani

Sept. 2020 - Dec. 2020

• Developed de-identification tool based on object tracking to efficiently de-identify arbitrary objects including faces, license plates, etc., in egocentric video at near real time, allowing 3x faster de-identification than other SOTA methods.

## Megvii Research (Face++)

Beijing, China

Computer Vision Research Intern w/ Banghuai Li

June 2020 - Sept. 2020

- Researched & designed few shot learning models built on Detectron2 with metric learning based methods for object detection.
- Implemented mixup data augmentation and contrastive loss to improve the post-Region Proposal Network relation graph.

### Carnegie Mellon University, Language Technology Institute

Pittsburgh, PA

Research Assistant w/ Haohan Wang

Apr. 2019 - June 2020

- Demonstrated a relationship between the frequency spectrum of image data and generalization behavior of CNNs.
- Designed a regularization scheme that penalizes large differences between adjacent components within kernels.

## Carnegie Mellon University, Computational Biology Department

Pittsburgh, PA

Research Assistant w/ Prof. Min Xu

Mar. 2019 - June 2020

- Proposed Regularized Adversarial Training to push the decision boundary away from training data while maximizing accuracy on unperturbed examples to improved the robustness of subtomogram SoTA classification models.
- Designed a model to achieve unsupervised image-to-image translation for Cryo-ET images which is stable to train and capable of generating plausibly diverse image samples [10].

### Xi'an Jiaotong University, Institute of Artificial Intelligence and Robotics

Xi'an, China

Research Assistant w/ Prof. Jinjun Wang & Prof. Pengju Ren

Dec. 2017 - Feb. 2019

- Introduced a self-paced regularizer to select reliable samples for fine-tuning each CNNs and implemented self-paced clustering.
- Designed an inverse adversarial learning regime that take classifiers to supervise each generator extract discriminate features and take discriminators for regularizing generators to learn complementary features.

## Talks and Poster Presentations

- ConceptMix: A Compositional Image Generation Benchmark with Controllable Difficulty NeurIPS, Vancouver, Dec. 2024
- Corgi: Cached Memory Guided Video Generation

ECCV AI for Visual Arts Workshop, Milan, Oct. 2024

• Vision-Language Dataset Distillation

ECCV Dataset Distillation Workshop, Milan, Oct. 2024

ConceptMix

ECCV Knowledge in Generative Models Workshop, Milan, Oct. 2024 Google Research, New York, July 2024

• Compositional Generation Evaluation

- CVPRW Dataset Distillation, Seattle, June 2024
- Corgi: Compositional Memory-Guided Video Generation

- NYC Vision Day, New York, Nov. 2023
- Pix2Map: Cross-modal Retrieval for Inferring Street Maps from Images

• Scaling Down before Scaling Up: Recent Progress on Dataset Distillation

- CVPR, Vancouver, June 2023
- Regularized Adversarial Training for Robust Cellular Electron Cryo Tomograms Classification BIBM, San Diego, Nov. 2019

## **Professional Service**

- Reviewer ICLR 25'/24', ICML 24', CVPR 24'/23'/22', ECCV 24'/22', ICRA 24', ACCV 24', Neurips 23', ICCV 23', ICLR 23' Workshop ME-FoMo, Neurips Interpolate Workshop 22', BMVC 20', IJCAI 20'
- Committee Member Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Committee in Robotics Institute, CMU
- Volunteer vGHC(Grace Hopper Celebration of Women in Computing) 2021 Volunteer
- Panelist Robotics Institute MS Student Panel, 2021, Robotics Institute Summer Scholars (RISS) program 2021
- Co-Host Weekly RI Meets! 2021
- Mentor CMU Society of Women Engineeers (SWE) mentoring program 2021

## Teaching

• TA: COS 429 Computer Vision by Vikram V. Ramaswamy and Felix Heide

Princeton, Spring 2024

• TA: COS 597O Advanced Topics in Computer Science: Deep Generative Models by Adji Bousso Dieng Princeton, Fall 2023

### Awards