# Sharon Yixuan Li

Address 5393 W Dayton St, Phone +1 (607) 232 0763
Madison, WI 53706 Email sharonli@cs.wisc.edu

Website http://pages.cs.wisc.edu/ sharonli/ Google citation 13,000 (as of February 2024)

## **Academic Appointment**

Aug. 2020 - Assistant Professor

Current University of Wisconsin - Madison, Department of Computer Sciences

Aug. 2019 - **Postdoctoral Research Fellow** 

Aug. 2020 Stanford University, Department of Computer Science

## **Education**

Sep 2013 - Doctor of Philosophy
 Dec 2017 Cornell University
 Advisor: John E. Hopcroft Thesis committee members: Kilian Q. Weinberger, Thorsten Joachims
 Sep 2009 - Bachelor of Engineering with Honors
 Jun 2013 Shanghai Jiaotong University
 Honors: National Scholarship (2 years); Academic Excellence Scholarship (3 years)

## **Selected Awards and Honors**

MIT TR35 "Innovator of the Year"
Awarded to 1 recipent globally who received the highest overall score from MIT TR35 judges
NSF CAREER Award
AFOSR Young Investigator Program (YIP) Award
Awarded to 58 early-career faculty nationwide
NeurIPS Outstanding Paper Award
Awarded to 13 papers out of 10,411 submissions
Amazon Research Award
ICLR Outstanding Paper Honorable Mention
Awarded to 10 out of 3391 papers
American Family Data Science Research Awards
Google-Initiated Focused Research Award
Facebook Faculty Research Award
JP Morgan Chase Early-career Faculty Award
Madison Teaching and Learning Excellence Fellowship (MTLE)
Forbes 30Under30 in Science
Awarded to 30 young scientists worldwide
Stanford Rising Stars in EECS
Awarded to 70 EECS graduate and postdoctoral women
ACM-W Scholarship
Graduate School Fellowship, Cornell University
National Scholarship
Highest honor to the top 3% undergrad students nationwide

## **Publications (after joining UW-Madison)**

83. Kaiping Chen, Anqi Shao, Jirayu Burapacheep, and Yixuan Li Conversational AI and Equity: Assessing GPT-3's Communication with Diverse Social Groups on Contentious Topics

Nature Scientific Reports, 2024

82. Xuefeng Du\*, Zhen Fang\*, Ilias Diakonikolas, Yixuan Li
 How Does Unlabeled Data Provably Help Out-of-Distribution Detection?
 In Proceedings of the 12th International Conference on Learning Representations (ICLR), 2024
 (\* equal contribution)

81. Haoyue Bai\*, Yifei Ming\*, Julian Katz-Samuels, Yixuan Li

HYPO: Hyperspherical Out-of-Distribution Generalization

In Proceedings of the 12th International Conference on Learning Representations (ICLR), 2024
(\* equal contribution)

80. Maxim Khanov\*, Jirayu Burapacheep\*, Yixuan Li

\*\*ARGS: Alignment as Reward-Guided Search\*\*

In Proceedings of the 12th International Conference on Learning Representations (ICLR), 2024
(\* equal contribution)

79. Bo Peng, Yadan Luo, Yonggang Zhang, Yixuan Li, Zhen Fang *ConjNorm: Tractable Density Estimation for Out-of-Distribution Detection*In Proceedings of the 12th International Conference on Learning Representations (**ICLR**), 2024

78. Haobo Wang, Ruixuan Xiao, Yixuan Li, Lei Feng, Gang Niu, Gang Chen, Junbo Zhao *PiCO+: Contrastive Label Disambiguation for Robust Partial Label Learning* IEEE Transactions on Pattern Analysis and Machine Inteligence (**TPAMI**), 2024

77. Ruixuan Xiao, Lei Feng, Kai Tang, Junbo Zhao, Yixuan Li, Gang Chen, Haobo Wang *Targeted Representation Alignment for Open-World Semi-Supervised Learning* In Proceedings of the IEEE Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (**CVPR**), 2024

76. Soumya Suvra Ghosal\*, Yiyou Sun\*, Yixuan Li *How to Overcome Curse-of-dimensionality for OOD Detection?*In Proceedings of the AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence (**AAAI**), 2024
(\* equal contribution)

75. Yiyou Sun, Zhenmei Shi, and Yixuan Li
A Graph-Theoretic Framework for Understanding Open-World Semi-Supervised Learning
Advances in Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS), 2023
Spotlight

74. Xuefeng Du, Yiyou Sun, Jerry Zhu, Yixuan Li *Dream the Impossible: Outlier Imagination with Diffusion Models*Advances in Neural Information Processing Systems (**NeurIPS**), 2023

73. Qizhou Wang, Zhen Fang, Yonggang Zhang, Feng Liu, Yixuan Li, and Bo Han *Learning to Augment Distributions for Out-of-distribution Detection*Advances in Neural Information Processing Systems (**NeurIPS**), 2023

72. Jingyang Zhang, Jingkang Yang, Pengyun Wang, Haoqi Wang, Yueqian Lin, Haoran Zhang, Yiyou Sun, Xuefeng Du, Kaiyang Zhou, Wayne Zhang, Yixuan Li, Ziwei Liu, Yiran Chen, Hai Li *OpenOOD v1.5: Enhanced Benchmark for Out-of-Distribution Detection*Advances in Neural Information Processing Systems (**NeurIPS**), DistShift Workshop, 2023

71. Jiuxiang Gu\*, Yifei Ming\*, Yi Zhou, Jason Kuen, Vlad Morariu, Anqi Liu, Yixuan Li, Tong Sun and Ani Nenkova

A Critical Analysis of Out-of-Distribution Detection for Document Understanding In Empirical Methods in Natural Language Processing (EMNLP-Findings), 2023 (\* equal contribution)

70. Haoyue Bai, Gregory Canal, Xuefeng Du, Jeongyeol Kwon, Robert D Nowak, Yixuan Li Feed Two Birds with One Scone: Exploiting Wild Data for Both Out-of-Distribution Generalization and Detection

In Proceedings of International Conference on Machine Learning (ICML), 2023

- 69. Hongxin Wei, Huiping Zhuang, Renchunzi Xie, Lei Feng, Gang Niu, Bo An, and Yixuan Li *Mitigating Memorization of Noisy Labels by Clipping the Model Prediction*In Proceedings of International Conference on Machine Learning (**ICML**), 2023
- 68. Yiyou Sun, Zhenmei Shi, Yingyu Liang, Yixuan Li
  When and How Does Known Class Help Discover Unknown Ones? Provable Understandings Through
  Spectral Analysis
  In Proceedings of International Conference on Machine Learning (ICML), 2023
- 67. Yiyou Sun, Yaojie Liu, Xiaoming Liu, Yixuan Li, Wen-Sheng Chu *Rethinking Domain Generalization for Face Anti-spoofing: Separability and Alignment* In Proceedings of the IEEE Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (**CVPR**), 2023
- 66. Yifei Ming, Yiyou Sun, Ousmane Dia and Yixuan Li

  How to Exploit Hyperspherical Embeddings for Out-of-Distribution Detection?

  In Proceedings of the 11th International Conference on Learning Representations (ICLR), 2023
- 65. Leitian Tao, Xuefeng Du, Xiaojin Zhu and Yixuan Li

  Non-parametric Outlier Synthesis

  In Proceedings of the 11th International Conference on Learning Representations (ICLR), 2023
- 64. Yifei Ming and Yixuan Li

  How Does Fine-Tuning Impact Out-of-Distribution Detection for Large Vision-Language Models?
  International Journal of Computer Vision (IJCV), 2023
- 63. Soumya Suvra Ghosal and Yixuan Li

  \*Are Vision Transformers Robust to Spurious Correlations?\*

  International Journal of Computer Vision (IJCV), 2023
- 62. Rheeya Uppaal, Junjie Hu, and Yixuan Li *Is Fine-tuning Needed? Pre-trained Language Models Are Near Perfect for Out-of-Domain Detection*In Proceedings of the 61st Annual Meeting of the Association for Computational Linguistics (ACL), 2023
- 61. Xuefeng Du, Tian Bian, Yu Rong, Bo Han, Tongliang Liu, Tingyang Xu, Wenbing Huang, Yixuan Li, Junzhou Huang

Noise-robust Graph Learning by Estimating and Leveraging Pairwise Interactions Transactions on Machine Learning Research (TMLR), 2023

#### 60. Yiyou Sun and Yixuan Li

*OpenCon: Open-world Contrastive Learning*Transactions on Machine Learning Research (TMLR), 2023

59. Hao Lang, Yinhe Zheng, Yixuan Li, Jian SUN, Fei Huang, Luo Si, Yongbin Li *A Survey on Out-of-Distribution Detection in NLP*Transactions on Machine Learning Research (**TMLR**), 2023

#### 58. Soumya Suvra Ghosal and Yixuan Li

Distributionally Robust Optimization with Probabilistic Group In Proceedings of the AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence (AAAI), 2023

#### 57. Mu Cai and Yixuan Li

Out-of-distribution Detection via Frequency-regularized Generative Models In Proceedings of IEEE/CVF Winter Conference on Applications of Computer Vision (WACV), 2023 Spotlight

56. Radhika Dua, Seongjun Yang, Yixuan Li, and Edward Choi *Task Agnostic and Post-hoc Unseen Distribution Detection*In Proceedings of IEEE/CVF Winter Conference on Applications of Computer Vision (WACV), 2023

55. Tingru Cui, Yixuan Li, Kaiping Chen, James Bailey, and Feng Liu

Designing Fair AI Systems: Exploring the Interaction of Explainable AI and Task Objectivity on Users' Fairness Perception

In Proceedings of Pacific Asia Conference on Information Systems (PACIS), 2023

54. Yifei Ming, Ziyang Cai, Jiuxiang Gu, Yiyou Sun, Wei Li, and Yixuan Li *Delving into Out-of-Distribution Detection with Vision-Language Representations* Advances in Neural Information Processing Systems (**NeurIPS**), 2022

53. Xuefeng Du, Gabriel Gozum, Yifei Ming and Yixuan Li SIREN: Shaping Representations for Detecting Out-of-Distribution Objects Advances in Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS), 2022

52. Zhen Fang, Yixuan Li, Jie Lu, Jiahua Dong, Bo Han, Feng Liu Is Out-of-distribution Detection Learnable? Advances in Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS), 2022 Outstanding Paper Award (top 13 in 10411 submissions)

51. Haobo Wang, Mingxuan Xia, Yixuan Li, Yuren Mao, Lei Feng, Gang Chen, Junbo Zhao *SoLar: Sinkhorn Label Refinery for Imbalanced Partial-Label Learning* Advances in Neural Information Processing Systems (**NeurIPS**), 2022

50. Jingkang Yang, Pengyun Wang, Dejian Zou, Zitang Zhou, Kunyuan Ding, Wenxuan Peng, Haoqi Wang, Guangyao Chen, Bo Li, Yiyou Sun, Xuefeng Du, Kaiyang Zhou, Wayne Zhang, Dan Hendrycks, Yixuan Li, Ziwei Liu

OpenOOD: Benchmarking Generalized Out-of-Distribution Detection

Advances in Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS), Datasets and Benchmarks Track, 2022

49. Mohammadreza Salehi, Hossein Mirzaei, Dan Hendrycks, Yixuan Li, Mohammad Hossein Rohban, Mohammad Sabokrou

A Unified Survey on Anomaly, Novelty, Open-Set, and Out-of-Distribution Detection: Solutions and Future Challenges

Transactions on Machine Learning Research (TMLR), 2022

48. Brayden Scott, Ali Deatsch, Zan Klanecek, Yixuan Li, Robert Jeraj

Leveraging localized gradients for regional predictive uncertainty applied to the deep learning-based metastatic disease delineation task

Conference on Machine Intelligence in Medical Imaging (CMIMI Abstract), 2022

47. Yifei Ming\*, Ying Fan\* and Yixuan Li

(\* indicates equal contribution)

Out-of-Distribution Detection with Posterior Sampling In Proceedings of International Conference on Machine Learning (**ICML**), 2022

Long talk (top 2%)

46. Yiyou Sun, Yifei Ming, Xiaojin Zhu and Yixuan Li
Out-of-Distribution Detection with Deep Nearest Neighbors
In Proceedings of International Conference on Machine Learning (ICML), 2022

45. Hongxin Wei, Renchunzi Xie, Hao Cheng, Lei Feng, Bo An and Yixuan Li *Mitigating Neural Network Overconfidence with Logit Normalization* In Proceedings of International Conference on Machine Learning (**ICML**), 2022

44. Julian Katz-Samuels\*, Julia Nakhleh\*, Robert Nowak and Yixuan Li *Training OOD Detectors in Their Natural Habitats*In Proceedings of International Conference on Machine Learning (**ICML**), 2022 (\* indicates equal contribution)

43. Soumya Suvra Ghosal, Yifei Ming, and Yixuan Li *Are Vision Transformers Robust to Spurious Correlations?*International Conference on Machine Learning (**ICML'W**), SCIS Workshop, 2022.

42. Yiyou Sun and Yixuan Li

*DICE: Leveraging Sparsification for Out-of-Distribution Detection*In Proceedings of European Conference on Computer Vision (**ECCV**), 2022.

41. Xuefeng Du, Xin Wang, Gabriel Gozum and Yixuan Li *Unknown-Aware Object Detection: Learning What You Don't Know from Videos in the Wild*In Proceedings of the IEEE Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (**CVPR**), 2022 **Oral presentation** (top 4%)

40. Xuefeng Du, Zhaoning Wang, Mu Cai and Yixuan Li

VOS: Learning What You Don't Know by Virtual Outlier Synthesis
In Proceedings of the 10th International Conference on Learning Representations (ICLR), 2022

39. Haobo Wang, Ruixuan Xiao, Yixuan Li, Lei Feng, Gang Niu, Gang Chen, Junbo Zhao *PiCO: Contrastive Label Disambiguation for Partial Label Learning*In Proceedings of the 10th International Conference on Learning Representations (ICLR), 2022
Outstanding Paper Honorable Mention (top 10 in 3391 submissions)

#### 38. Peyman Morteza and Yixuan Li

Provable Guarantees for Understanding Out-of-distribution Detection In Proceedings of the AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence (AAAI), 2022 Oral presentation, Acceptance Ratio: 15%

#### 37. Yifei Ming, Hang Yin and Yixuan Li

On the Impact of Spurious Correlation for Out-of-distribution Detection In Proceedings of the AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence (**AAAI**), 2022 **Oral presentation**, Acceptance Ratio: 15%

#### 36. Rui Huang, Andrew Geng and Yixuan Li

On the importance of gradients for detecting distributional shifts in the wild Advances in Neural Information Processing Systems (**NeurIPS**), 2021

#### 35. Yiyou Sun, Chuan Guo and Yixuan Li

ReAct: Out-of-distribution Detection with Rectified Activation Advances in Neural Information Processing Systems (**NeurIPS**), 2021

### 34. Haoran Wang\*, Weitang Liu, Alex Bocchieri and Yixuan Li\*

Can multi-label classification networks know what they don't know? Advances in Neural Information Processing Systems (**NeurIPS**), 2021 (\* indicates equal contribution)

#### 33. Rui Huang and Yixuan Li

MOS: Towards Scaling Out-of-distribution Detection for Large Semantic Space In Proceedings of the IEEE Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR), 2021 Oral Presentation (top 4%)

#### 32. Ziqian Lin\*, Sreya Dutta Roy\* and Yixuan Li

 $MOOD: Multi-level\ Out-of-distribution\ Detection$ 

In Proceedings of the IEEE Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (**CVPR**), 2021 (\* indicates equal contribution)

#### 31. Karan Goel\*, Albert Gu\*, Yixuan Li and Christopher Ré

Model Patching: Closing the Subgroup Performance Gap with Data Augmentation In Proceedings of the 9th International Conference on Learning Representations (**ICLR**), 2021 (\* indicates equal contribution)

#### 30. Jiefeng Chen, Yixuan Li, Xi Wu, Yingyu Liang and Somesh Jha

ATOM: Robust Out-of-distribution Detection Using Outlier Mining

In Proceedings of the European Conference on Machine Learning (ECML-PKDD), 2021

# 29. Mu Cai, Hong Zhang, Huijuan Huang, Qichuan Geng, Yixuan Li and Gao Huang Frequency Domain Image Translation: More Photo-realistic, Better Identity-preserving In Proceedings of the International Conference on Computer Vision (ICCV), 2021

28. Yiyou Sun, Bastin Joseph, Alison Deatsch, Robert Jeraj and Yixuan Li *LOOD: Localization-based Uncertainty Estimation for Medical Imaging* International Conference on Machine Learning workshop **ICML DFUQ**, 2021 **Spotlight Presentation** 

27. Weitang Liu, Xiaoyun Wang, John Owens and Yixuan Li Energy-based Out-of-distribution Detection Advances in Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS), 2020

## **Publications (before joining UW-Madison)**

- 26. Trenton Chang, Dan Fu, Yixuan Li, and Christopher Ré
  Beyond the Pixels: Exploring the Effect of Video File Corruptions on Model Robustness
  Workshop on Adversarial Robustness in the Real World (ECCV'W), 2020
- 25. Jiefeng Chen, Yixuan Li, Xi Wu, Yingyu Liang and Somesh Jha *Informative Outlier Matters: Robust Out-of-distribution Detection Using Outlier Mining* International Conference on Machine Learning UDL workshop (**ICML UDL**), 2020
- 24. Jiefeng Chen, Yixuan Li, Xi Wu, Yingyu Liang and Somesh Jha Robust Out-of-distribution Detection for Neural Networks AAAI-22 Workshop on Adversarial Machine Learning and Beyond
- 23. Yina Tang\*, Fedor Borisyuk\*, Siddarth Malreddy\*, Yixuan Li\*, Yiqun Liu\* and Sergey Kirshner\* *MSURU: Large Scale E-commerce Image Classification With Weakly Supervised Search Data* In Proceedings of SIGKDD Conference on Knowledge Discovery and Data Mining (**KDD**), 2019 (\* indicates equal contribution)
- 22. Abhinmanyu Dubey, Laurens van der Maaten, Zeki Yalniz, Yixuan Li and Dhruv Mahajan Defense Against Adversarial Images using Web-Scale Nearest-Neighbor Search In Proceedings of the IEEE Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR), 2019 Oral Presentation (top 5%)
- 21. Dhruv Mahajan, Ross Girshick, Vignesh Ramanathan, Kaiming He, Manohar Paluri, Yixuan Li, Ashwin Bharambe, and Laurens van der Maaten Exploring the Limits of Weakly Supervised Pretraining In Proceedings of European Conference on Computer Vision (ECCV), 2018
- 20. Shiyu Liang, Ruoyu Sun, Yixuan Li, R. Srikant, Understanding the Loss Surface of Neural Networks for Binary Classification In Proceedings of International Conference on Machine Learning (ICML), 2018 Oral Presentation
- 19. Shiyu Liang, Yixuan Li, R. Srikant Enhancing The Reliability of Out-of-distribution Image Detection in Neural Networks In Proceedings of the 6th International Conference on Learning Representations (ICLR), 2018
- 18. Shiyu Liang, Ruoyu Sun, Yixuan Li, R. Srikant *Understanding the Loss Surface of Single-Layered Neural Networks for Binary Classification* Workshop in International Conference on Learning Representation (**ICLR Workshop**), 2018
- 17. Gao Huang\*, Yixuan Li\*, Geoff Pleiss, Zhuang Liu, John Hopcroft and Kilian Weinberger *Snapshot Ensembles: Train 1, Get M for Free*In Proceedings of the 5th International Conference on Learning Representations (**ICLR**), 2017 (\* indicates equal contribution)

- 16. Xun Huang, Yixuan Li, Omid Poursaeed, John Hopcroft and Serge Belongie Stacked Adversarial Generative Networks In Proceedings of the IEEE Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR), 2017
- 15. Yixuan Li, Pingmei Xu, Dmitry Lagun and Vidhya Navalpakkam Towards Measuring and Inferring User Interest From Gaze In Proceedings of the 26th international conference on World Wide Web (**WWW**), 2017
- 14. Yixuan Li, Kun He, Kyle Kloster, David Bindel and John Hopcroft Local spectral clustering for overlapping community detection In ACM Transactions on Knowledge Discovery from Data (**TKDD**), 2017
- 13. Jacob Gardner, Paul Upchurch, Matt Kusner, Yixuan Li, Kilian Weinberger, Kavita Bala and John Hopcroft Deep Manifold Traversal: Changing Labels with Convolutional Features arXiv cs.LG/1511.06421
- 12. Yixuan Li, Jason Yosinski, Jeff Clune, John Hopcroft and Hod Lipson Convergent Learning: Do different neural networks learn the same representations? In Proceedings of the 4th International Conference on Learning Representation, (ICLR), 2016 Oral Presentation
- 11. Yixuan Li, Oscar Martinez, Xing Chen, Yi Li and John Hopcroft In a World that Counts: Clustering and Detecting Fake Social Engagement at Scale In Proceedings of the 25th international conference on World Wide Web (**WWW**), 2016
- Jiezhong Qiu, Yixuan Li, Jie Tang, Zheng Lu, Hao Ye, Bo Chen, Qiang Yang and John Hopcroft The Lifecycle and Cascade of Social Messaging Groups
   In Proceedings of the 25th international conference on World Wide Web (WWW), 2016
- 9. Yixuan Li, Jason Yosinski, Jeff Clune, John Hopcroft and Hod Lipson Convergent Learning: Do different neural networks learn the same representations? NIPS Workshop on Feature Extraction: Modern Questions and Challenges, 2015 Oral Presentation
- 8. Yixuan Li, Kun He, David Bindel and John Hopcroft *Uncovering the Small Community Structure in Large Networks: A Local Spectral Approach*In Proceedings of the 24th International Conference on World Wide Web (**WWW**), 2015
- 7. Kun He, Yiwei Sun, David Bindel and John Hopcroft, Yixuan Li

  Detecting Overlapping Communities from Local Spectral Subspaces
  In Proceedings of the International Conference on Data Mining (ICDM), 2015
- 6. Jinbei Zhang, Yixuan Li, Zhuotao Liu, Fan Wu, Feng Yang, and Xinbing Wang On Multicast Capacity and Delay in Cognitive Radio Mobile Ad-hoc Networks In IEEE Transactions on Wireless Communications (**TWC**), 2015
- 5. Yixuan Li, Qiuyu Peng and Xinbing Wang

  Multicast Capacity With Max-Min Fairness for Heterogeneous Networks

  In IEEE/ACM Transactions on Networking (TON), 2014

## **Pending Work and Preprints**

4. Bojun Liu, Jordan G. Boysen, Ilona Christy Unarta, Xuefeng Du, Yixuan Li, Xuhui Huang Exploring Transition States of Protein Conformational Changes via the Out-of-Distribution Detection using Hyperspherical Latent Representations

Under review, Nature Machine Intelligence, 2024

3. Brayden Schott, Dmitry Pinchuk, Victor Santoro-Fernandes, Žan Klaneček, Luciano Rivetti, Alison Deatsch, Scott Perlman, Yixuan Li, Robert Jeraj

Uncertainty Quantification via Localized Gradients for Deep Learning-based Medical Image Assessments Under review, Journal of Medical Image Analysis, 2024

- Jingyang Zhang, Jingkang Yang, Pengyun Wang, Haoqi Wang, Yueqian Lin, Haoran Zhang, Yiyou Sun, Xuefeng Du, Kaiyang Zhou, Wayne Zhang, Yixuan Li, Ziwei Liu, Yiran Chen, Hai Li OpenOOD v1.5: Enhanced Benchmark for Out-of-Distribution Detection Under review, The Journal of Data-Centric Machine Learning Research (DMLR)
- 1. Jingkang Yang, Kaiyang Zhou, Yixuan Li and Ziwei Liu Generalized Out-of-Distribution Detection: A Survey Under review, International Journal of Computer Vision (IJCV)

#### Grants

#### 20. (PI) SLES: Foundations for Safety-Aware Learning in the Wild

National Science Foundation (NSF) Award amount: \$793,065, Co-PI: Jerry Zhu

19. (PI) CAREER: Foundations of Human-Centered Machine Learning in the Wild

National Science Foundation (NSF)

Award amount: \$599,265, October 1, 2023 - September 30, 2028

#### 18. (Co-investigator) Machine Learning to Predict Well-being

DARPA - Information Innovation Office

Award amount: \$3,076,700

#### 17. (PI) Human-Aligned Learning in the Open-World (HALLOW)

AFOSR Young Investigator Program

Award amount: \$450,000, March 1 2023 - March 1, 2026

#### 16. (PI) Out-of-distribution Detection in Real-world Environments

Office of Naval Research (ONR)

Award amount: \$600,000, Co-PI: Katie Rainey

#### 15. (PI) Building new foundations to mitigate AI risks in the open world

Survival and Flourishing Fund (SFF)
Award amount: \$309,000, unrestricted gift

#### 14. (PI) Understanding and Reducing Safety Risks of Learning with Large Pre-trained Models

Center For Advanced Safety of Machine Intelligence (CASMI) Award amount: \$270,835, Jan 1, 2023 - December 31, 2024

#### 13. (PI) Google-Initiated Research Grant (Level 2 Support)

Award amount: \$110,000, unrestricted gift awarded in 2022

#### 12. (PI) Amazon Research Award

Award amount: \$30,000, unrestricted gift awarded in 2022

#### 11. (PI) Adobe Research Gift Funding

Award amount: \$15,000, unrestricted fund awarded in 2022

#### 10. (PI) Facebook Faculty Research Award

Award amount: \$100,000, unrestricted fund awarded in 2021

#### 9. (PI) American Family Funding Initiative Award

Contrastive Language-Image Learning for Out-of-distribution Detection Award amount: \$100,000, August 2022 - August 2023

#### 8. (Intramural) (PI) University of Wisconsin - Madison, Fall Research Competition

An Unknown-aware Machine Learning Framework for Safe Object Recognition Award amount: \$38,947, August 2022 - May 2023

#### 7. (Intramural, declined) Hilldale Undergraduate/Faculty Research Fellowship

Award amount: \$1,000 (for PI), August 2022 - August 2023

#### 6. (PI) Google-Initiated Focused Research Award

Uncertainty Estimation for Multi-modal Machine Learning Award amount: \$30,000, unrestricted fund awarded in 2021

#### 5. (PI) Facebook Gift Funding

Award amount: \$25,000, unrestricted fund awarded in 2021

#### 4. (PI) American Family Funding Initiative Award

Safe and Reliable Machine Learning through Out-of-Distribution Detection Award amount: \$111,258, August 2021 - August 2022

#### 3. (Co-PI) American Family Funding Initiative Award

Reducing Bias in Human-AI Conversation

Award amount: \$149,969, August 2021 - August 2022, PI: Kaiping Chen

#### 2. (PI) Adobe Research Gift Funding

Award amount: \$10,000, unrestricted fund

#### 1. (PI) JP Morgan Early-career Faculty Award

Award amount: \$10,000, September 2021-August 2022

#### **Professional Service**

#### Workshop Organization:

Program Chair and Founding Organizer, ICML workshop on Robustness and Uncertainty in Deep Learning, 2019

Program Chair, ICML workshop on Robustness and Uncertainty in Deep Learning, 2020

Co-organizer, ICML workshop on Robustness and Uncertainty in Deep Learning, 2021

Co-organizer, ICML workshop on Distribution-free Uncertainty Quantification, 2021 & 2022

Co-organizer, NeurIPS workshop on Robustness in Sequence Modeling, 2022

Co-organizer, ICCV Tutorial on Reliability of Deep Learning for Real-World Deployment, 2023

Co-organizer, WWW Workshop on Data-Centric AI, 2024

Co-organizer, CVPR Workshop on Prompting in Vision, 2024

#### Conferences:

Area Chair for ICLR 2021, ICLR 2023

Area Chair for ICML 2021, ICML 2022, ICML 2023, ICML 2024

Area Chair for NeurIPS, 2020, NeurIPS 2022, NeurIPS 2023

Area Chair for IJCAI, 2021

Senior Program Committee for AAAI, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023

Reviewer: ICLR 2022, NeurIPS 2021, CVPR 2021, CVPR 2019, ICCV 2019, ICLR 2019, NIPS 2018,

AAAI 2017, NIPS 2016

#### Journal:

IEEE Transactions on Pattern Analysis and Machine Intelligence (TPAMI)

IEEE Transactions on Knowledge and Data Engineering (TKDE)

ACM Transactions on the Web (TWEB)

IEEE Transactions on Intelligent Systems and Technology (TIST)

IEEE Transactions on Big Data (TBD)

Pattern Recognition (PR)

Journal of Machine Learning for Biomedical Imaging (MELBA) Action Editor, Transaction on Machine Learning Research (TMLR)

#### Grant reviewing:

Army Research Office, 2021 NSF Robust Intelligence Program, 2023

#### Department Service:

Graduate Admission Committee, 2019-2023

## **Current Students**

Ph.D.	Yifei (Alvin) Ming (Fall 2020-current)
Ph.D.	Xuefeng Du (Spring 2021-current)
Ph.D.	Hyeong Kyu (Froilan) Choi (Fall 2023-current)
Ph.D.	Shawn Im (Fall 2023-current)
Ph.D.	Gabriel Orlanski (Fall 2023-current)
B.S.	Max Khanov (Spring 2023-current)
B.S.	Ben Hayum (Summer 2023-current)
B.S.	Shrey Modi (Spring 2024-current)

## **Students Graduated**

PhD'23	Yiyou Sun -> Research Scientist at NEC lab
BS'21&MS'23	Andrew Geng -> Research Engineer at IBM
MS'23	Soumya Suvra Ghosal -> PhD student at U. Maryland
MS'22	Ying Fan -> PhD student at UW-Madison
MS'21	Hang Yin -> Google
MS'20	Bastin Joseph -> Amazon AI
MS'20	Sreya Dutta Roy -> Facebook/Meta AI
MS'20	Deepan Das -> DataChat
BS'23	Top Burapacheep -> graduate student at Stanford
BS'22	Gabriel Gozum -> MS student at UW-Madison

## Serve on Ph.D. Thesis Committee:

Yuzhe Ma (thesis advisor: Jerry Zhu)

Samuel Drews (thesis co-advisors: Loris D'Antoni and Aws Albarghouthi)

Zihang Meng (thesis advisor: Vikas Singh)
David Merrell (thesis advisor: Anthony Gitter)
Sam Gelman (thesis advisor: Anthony Gitter)
Ryan Sheatsle (thesis advisor: Patrick McDaniel)

Fangzhou Mu (thesis advisor: Yin Li)

Kartik Sreenivasan (thesis advisor: Dimitris Papailiopoulos)

## Served on the qualification and prelim committee:

Yuhao Zhang (thesis advisor: Loris D'Antoni and Aws Albarghouthi)

David Merrell (thesis advisor: Anthony Gitter)
Sam Gelman (thesis advisor: Anthony Gitter)

Kartik Sreenivasan (thesis advisor: Dimitris Papailiopoulos)

Yang Guo (thesis advisor: Yingyu Liang)
Eric Brandt (thesis advisor: Eftychios Sifakis )
Sangeetha Grama (thesis advisor: Eftychios Sifakis )

Zihang Meng (thesis advisor: Vikas Singh)
Zhanpeng Zeng (thesis advisor: Vikas Singh)
Zifan Liu (thesis advisor: Theodoros Rekatsinas)
Bhavya Goyal (thesis advisor: Mohit Gupta)
Eddie Barton (thesis advisor: Yu-Hen Hu)
Utkarsh Ojha (thesis advisor: Yong Jae Lee)
Ziqian Lin (thesis advisor: Kangwook Lee)
Fangzhou Mu (thesis advisor: Yin Li)
Jifan Zhang (thesis advisor: Rob Nowak)

Saketh Sridhara (thesis advisor: Krishnan Suresh) Peyman Morteza (committee chair: Frederic Sala)

Yue Gao (thesis advisor: Kassem Fawaz)
Tim Ossowski (thesis advisor: Junjie Hu)
Ryan Sheatsle (thesis advisor: Patrick McDaniel)
Xueyan Zou (thesis advisor: Yong Jae Lee)
Vignesh Selvaraj (thesis advisor: Sangkee Min)
Kanghee Park (thesis advisor: Loris D'Antoni)
Sonia Cromp (thesis advisor: Frederic Sala)
Kushin Mukherjee (thesis advisor: Timothy Rogers)
Brayden J. Schott (thesis advisor: Robert Jeraj)

# Talks & Panels (after joining UW-Madison)

May 2023	Invited talk at MIT AI Safety Under Distributional Shifts
April 2023	Invited talk at KAUST How to Handle Data Shifts in the Wild? Challenges, Research Progress, and Path Forward
Feb. 2023	Invited talk at Cornell AI Seminar How to Handle Data Shifts in the Wild? Challenges, Research Progress, and Path Forward
Feb. 2023	Invited talk at Machine Learning Lunch Meeting (MLLM) How to Handle Data Shifts? Challenges, Research Progress, and Path Forward
Dec. 2022	Invited talk @ NeurIPS Workshop on ML Safety How to Handle Distributional Shifts? Challenges, Research Progress, and Path Forward
Dec. 2022	Invited guest lecture at NYU How to Handle Distributional Shifts? Challenges, Research Progress, and Path Forward
Dec. 2022	Invited talk @ National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) How to Handle Data Shifts? Challenges, Research Progress, and Path Forward
Oct. 2022	Keynote @ ECCV Workshop on Uncertainty Quantification in Computer Vision How to Handle Data Shifts? Challenges, Research Progress, and Path Forward
Oct. 2022	Keynote @ ECCV Workshop on Learning with Limited and Imperfect Data How to Handle Data Shifts? Challenges, Research Progress, and Path Forward

Oct. 2022	Ohio State University, CSE AI Seminar How to Handle Data Shifts? Challenges, Research Progress, and Path Forward
Oct. 2022	TrustML Young Scientist Seminar How to Handle Data Shifts? Challenges, Research Progress, and Path Forward
Sept. 2022	SIAM Symposium on Robustness in Deep Learning Challenges and Opportunities in Out-of-distribution Detection
Aug. 2022	UW-Madison new graduate student orientation Things I wish I knew before starting the graduate school
Aug. 2022	Future of Data-centric AI (co-hosted by Stanford) Uncovering the Unknowns of Deep Neural Networks: Challenges and Opportunities
July 2022	Invited talk @ ICML Workshop on DataPerf Challenges and Opportunities in Handling Data Distributional Shift
Mar. 2022	UT-Austin, Sys/ML Workshop Challenges and Opportunities in Out-of-distribution Detection
Mar. 2022	Oregon State University, AI Seminar Challenges and Opportunities in Out-of-distribution Detection
Feb. 2022	Anomaly Detection for Scientific Discovery (AD4SD) Seminar Challenges and Opportunities in Out-of-distribution Detection
Dec. 2021	Keynote @ NeurIPS ImageNet workshop Uncovering the Unknowns of ImageNet Models: Challenges and Opportunities
Dec. 2021	Physics Meets ML Seminar (co-hosted by Microsoft) Uncovering the Unknowns of Deep Neural Networks: Challenges and Opportunities
Sept. 2021	Future of Data-centric AI (co-hosted by Stanford) Uncovering the Unknowns of Deep Neural Networks: Challenges and Opportunities
Aug. 2021	Facebook Uncovering the Unknowns of Deep Neural Networks: Challenges and Opportunities
Aug. 2021	Keynote @ Artificial Intelligence for Anomalies and Novelties Workshop Uncovering the Unknowns of Deep Neural Networks: Challenges and Opportunities
Aug. 2021	Keynote @ Weakly-supervised Representation Learning Workshop Uncovering the Unknowns of Deep Neural Networks: Challenges and Opportunities
Aug. 2021	Institute for Foundations of Data Science (IFDS) Uncovering the Unknowns of Deep Neural Networks: Challenges and Opportunities
April 2021	John Hopkins University, MINDS and CIS Seminar Towards Reliable Open-world Machine Learning
April 2021	Women in Scientific Education and Research (WISER) at UW-Madison Towards Reliable Open-world Machine Learning
April 2021	Open Data Science Conference (ODSC) Reliable Open-World Learning Against Out-of-distribution Data
Nov, 2020	Stanford Women in Computer Science Seminar Reliable Open-World Learning Against Out-of-distribution Data
October 2020	University of California-Berkeley, BLISS Seminar Reliable Open-World Learning Against Out-of-distribution Data
October 2020	University of Wisconsin-Madison, SILO Seminar Reliable Open-World Learning Against Out-of-distribution Data
Sept. 2020	Microsoft MLOS Seminar Reliable Open-World Learning Against Out-of-distribution Data
May 2020	Air Force Research Laboratory's Workshop Out-of-distribution Uncertainty Estimation and Robustness in Open-World Machine Learning

# **Teaching Experience**

Fall 2023 Instructor, University of Wisconsin-Madison

CS762: Advanced Deep Learning

http://pages.cs.wisc.edu/~sharonli/courses/cs762\_fall2023/index.html

Fall 2022 Instructor, University of Wisconsin-Madison

CS762: Advanced Deep Learning

http://pages.cs.wisc.edu/~sharonli/courses/cs762\_fall2022/index.html

Spring 2022 Instructor, University of Wisconsin-Madison

CS540: Introduction to Artificial Intelligence

http://pages.cs.wisc.edu/~sharonli/courses/cs540\_spring2022/index.html

Fall 2021 Instructor, University of Wisconsin-Madison

CS762: Advanced Deep Learning

http://pages.cs.wisc.edu/~sharonli/courses/cs762\_fall2021/index.html

Spring 2021 Instructor, University of Wisconsin-Madison

CS540: Introduction to Artificial Intelligence

http://pages.cs.wisc.edu/~sharonli/courses/cs540\_spring2021/index.html

Fall 2020 Instructor, University of Wisconsin-Madison

CS839 Advanced Topics in Deep Learning (newly developed)

http://pages.cs.wisc.edu/~sharonli/courses/cs839\_fall2020/index.html

Feb 2015 - Head of Teaching Assistant, Cornell University
Jul 2015 - Mathematical Foundations for the Information Age

http://www.cs.cornell.edu/courses/cs4850/2015sp/

# **Professional Experience**

Oct 2017 - Facebook AI, Menlo Park, CA

April 2019 Research Scientist

May 2016- Google AI, Mountain View, CA

Aug 2016 Research Intern, Mentor: Vidhya Navalpakkam

May 2015- Google, Mountain View, CA

Aug 2015 Research Intern, Mentor: Oscar Martinez