Xinyi Lu

Research Interest

My research interest lies in the intersection of Human-Computer Interaction, Computer Science and Education. Specifically, I'm interested in designing and developing Human-AI collaborative systems that supports the creation of high-quality educational content. This line of work includes systems that provides instructors with controllable AI assistance for designing quiz questions and worked examples, and a pipeline of using LLM-simulated students to evaluate and refine question items. Building on my experience of designing AI-based systems for education, I explore the desirable amount and form of AI assistant for educational content that facilitates active learning.

EDUCATION

University of Michigan Ph.D. student in Computer Science Engineering, adviser by Dr. Xu Wang	Sep 2023 – Present Ann Arbor, MI
University of Michigan BS in Computer Science Engineering	$\begin{array}{c} {\rm Sep}\ 2021-{\rm May}\ 2023 \\ {\it Ann}\ {\it Arbor},\ {\it MI} \end{array}$
Shanghai Jiao Tong University BS in Electrical and Computer Engineering	Sep 2019 – Aug 2021 Shanghai, China

STRINGENTLY PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

- Xinyi Lu, Mitchell Dudley, Raelin Musuraca, Lu Wang, Xu Wang. "Exemplify: Understanding How Instructors Use AI to Create Interactive Worked Examples as Scaffolding Exercises" [In Submission].
- Xiaoyu Liu, Xinyi Lu, Soobin Jeon, Yunyan Li, Joshua Littenberg-Tobias, Shawn Y Stevens, Ying Xu, Xu Wang. "To Chat or to Quiz?: Examining the Pedagogical Benefits and Risks of AI Tutors in Facilitating High School Science Learning from Videos". [In Submission].
- Xinyue Chen, Nathan Yap, Xinyi Lu, Aylin Gunal, Xu Wang. MeetMap: Generating Dialogue Maps as Real-Time Cognitive Scaffolds for Online Meetings. In Proceedings of the ACM on Human-Computer Interaction (CSCW 2025)
- Xinyi Lu, Xu Wang. "Generative Students: Using LLM-Simulated Student Profiles to Support Question Item Evaluation". In Proceedings of the eleventh ACM Conference on Learning@Scale (L@S 2024).
- Xinyi Lu, Simin Fan, Jessica Houghton, Lu Wang, Xu Wang. "Reading Quiz Maker: A Human-NLP Collaborative System that Supports Instructors to Design High-Quality Reading Quiz Questions". In Proceedings of the 2023 CHI Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems (CHI 2023). Best Paper Honorable Mention .

Posters, Demos, Presentations and Workshops

- Xinyi Lu, Xu Wang. "Generative Students: Using LLM-Simulated Student Profiles to Support Question Item Evaluation". Paper presentation at the Annual Meeting of the National Council on Measurement in Education (NCME 2025).
- Steven Moore, Anjali Singh, **Xinyi Lu**, Hyoungwook Jin, Hassan Khosravi, Paul Denny, Christopher Brooks, Xu Wang, Juho Kim, John Stamper. "Learnersourcing: Student-generated Content@ Scale: 2nd Annual Workshop". In Proceedings of the eleventh ACM Conference on Learning@Scale (**L@S 2024**).

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Introduction to Machine Learning, Instructional Aide University of Michigan. Instructor: Dr. Sindhu Kutty	
Discrete Mathematics, Teaching Assistant	
Shanghai Jiao Tong University. Instructor: <u>Dr. Runze Cai</u>	

Sep 2022 – Dec 2022 Ann Arbor, MI May 2022 – Aug 2022 Shanqhai, China

Mentoring

- Zejia Shen, Undergraduate student in University of Michigan, CSE [2024.9]
- Aditya Mahesh, Undergraduate student in University of Michigan, CSE [2024.9]
- Yuqing Luo, Undergraduate student in University of Michigan, CSE [2024.5]
- Jessica Li, Undergraduate student in University of Michigan, CS [2024.5 2024.9]
- Xiaoyu Liu, Master student in University of Michigan, CSE [2024.1 2024.8]

COMMUNITY SERVICE

- Workshop Organizer: Learnersourcing: Student-Generated Content @ Scale (L@S 2024)
- Reviewer: CSCW 2023 Posters, CHI 2024, L@S 2024, CHI 2025
- Co-leader: Explore Computer Science Research program (Explore CSR 2024-2025) at University of Michigan

Honors and Scholarships

- Rackham Traveling Grant (\$900), University of Michigan, 2024
- CSE Fellowship (\$36000), University of Michigan, 2023
- Gary Marsden Travel Awards (\$2500), SIGCHI, 2023
- Best Paper Honorable Mention Award (5%), ACM CHI 2023
- Graduate with Honors, Shanghai Jiao Tong University, 2023
- Finalist, Interdisciplinary Contest In Modeling (ICM), 2021
- Student Development Scholarship, Shanghai Jiao Tong University, 2020, 2021
- Undergraduate Outstanding Scholarship, Shanghai Jiao Tong University, 2020, 2021