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Degree	University	Year	Major	Supervisor
Ph.D.	University of Science and Technology of China	2020-2025	EEIS	Prof. Feng Wu
B.Eng.	Southwest Jiaotong University	2016-2020	ECE	Prof. Liu Yang

Research Areas

- Image/Video Coding: Traditional/Learned Coding Tools, Learned End-to-End Compression, Standardization
- Image/Video Processing: Image/Video Restoration, Computational Imaging

Brief Bio

I am Zhuoyuan Li. I received the B.E. degree from Southwest Jiaotong University, Sichuan, China, in 2020. I am currently pursuing the Ph.D. degree in University of Science and Technology of China (USTC), Hefei, China, supervised by **Prof. Feng Wu** (IEEE Fellow) and co-supervised by **Prof. Dong Liu**, and expected to receive my Ph.D. degree in 2025.11. I also worked closely with **Prof. Li Li** and many good workers from USTC-iVC & VIDAR lab.

During my Ph.D., my research has focused on image/video coding, with an emphasis on both advanced coding standards (e.g., H.266/VVC, ECM) and emerging learning-based coding frameworks (e.g., DVC, DCVC). My work spans inter prediction, in-loop filtering, and low-complexity optimization, aiming to improve coding efficiency while maintaining practical deployability. Meanwhile, I lead the traditional coding study group of our lab, where I coordinated and guided a series of projects on standardized and neural network-based coding tools. In addition, I have also conducted research in computational imaging and image/video restoration, including compression-aware restoration, light field imaging, and event-based vision, further broadening the scope of my expertise from efficient coding to advanced visual sensing and reconstruction.

Looking ahead to my postdoctoral research, I plan to focus on large-model-based/assisted data restoration and compression, and their practical deployment, thereby enabling efficient, scalable, and intelligent visual communication systems.

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Standardization Activity

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- Y. Li, Z. Li, L. Li, D. Liu. Proposal for Intra Pattern Copy of JPEG XS Screen Content Image Coding, JPEG XS, 2024.
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Patent

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Academic Competition

 Grand Challenge on "Video Complexity" (Track 1) in IEEE ICIP 2024 	1st Place
 Grand Challenge on "End-to-End Practical Image Compression" (Performance Track) in IEEE MMSP 2024 	1st Place
 Grand Challenge on "End-to-End Practical Image Compression" (Complexity Track) in IEEE MMSP 2024 	1st Place
 Grand Challenge on "End-to-End Practical Video Compression" (Performance Track) in IEEE MMSP 2024 	1st Place
 Grand Challenge on "Video Complexity" (Track 2) in IEEE ICIP 2024 	2nd Place
 Grand Challenge on "End-to-End Practical Video Compression" in IEEE VCIP 2023 	2nd Place
 NTIRE 2025 Challenge on Image Super-Resolution (×4) in CVPRW 2025 	5th Place
 NTIRE 2025 Challenge on Efficient Burst HDR and Restoration in CVPRW 2025 	6th Place
 NTIRE 2025 Challenge on Single Image Reflection Removal in the Wild in CVPRW 2025 	11th Place

Academic Services

- Leading Workshop Chair of ACM MM Asia 2025
- Journal Reviewer: T-IP, T-MM, T-CSVT, T-BC, IOT, OJSP, IJIG, AI-R
- Conference Reviewer: ACM MM 2022-2025, NeurIPS 2024-2025, ICML 2025, ICLR 2025-2026, AAAI 2026, IJCAI 2025, ECAI 2025, ICME 2025, ICPR 2024, IJCNN 2025, MMSP 2024-2025, VCIP 2023-2025, WCSP 2024, DCC 2025, ICASSP 2025

Project

- Research on Key Technologies for the Next-Generation International Video Coding Standards, 2022–2025, Huawei Inc. Worked on advanced Inter Prediction, filtering, and neural-network-based coding tools to contribute to future international standards.
- Audio and Video Codec Optimization, 2022–2023, iFlytek Co., Ltd.
 Worked on high-quality reconstruction and low-latency optimization for video communication applications.
- Extreme Reconstruction and Super-Resolution, 2022–2023, Institute of Deep Space Exploration. Worked on real-time video super-resolution and reconstruction of deep space returned videos.