

# **Huicheng Zhang**

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#### **EDUCATION**

### The Hong Kong University of Science and Technology (Guangzhou)

Ph.D. in Artificial Intelligence 2025 – Present

Nankai University

B.Eng in Computer Science and Engineering 2021 – 2025

### RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

### • National-level Undergraduate Student Innovation Project

Co-leader, 2023-2024

- Developed an intelligent art education teacher by constructing a text-based virtual teacher with LLMs.
- Focused on ensuring safety and alignment of the virtual teacher using AI safety strategies and reinforcement learning (PPO, DPO).
- Enhance the Safety in Reinforcement Learning by ADRC Lagrangian Methods Co-First Author, 2024
  - Authored and submitted a co-first author paper to **NeurIPS-2025**.
  - Proposed a novel ADRC Lagrangian framework to improve the safety and robustness of reinforcement learning algorithms against environmental disturbances.

## • The Learnability Dilemma in LLM Watermarking

First Author, 2024

- Authored a first-author paper for submission to IEEE Transactions on Pattern Analysis and Machine Intelligence (T-PAMI).
- Investigated the trade-offs between watermark robustness, learnability, and anti-forgery capabilities in large language models.

### Debate Framework for LLM-as-a-judge (Ongoing Project)

Leader, 2025–Present

- Proposed a novel framework to enhance the fairness and accuracy of the evaluator.
- The core idea utilizes a multi-agent debate to extract nuanced features from the content under evaluation, effectively mitigating the inherent self-preference bias found in existing methods.

#### RELEVANT COURSEWORK PERFORMANCE

Course	Credits	Term	Score
Deep Learning	2.5	2024 Spring	97/100
Machine Learning and Application	2.5	2023 Fall	96/100
Introduction to Parallel Programming	2.5	2023 Spring	96/100
College Physics	4	2022 Spring	94/100
Project Training and Practice	2	2023 Fall	92/100
Natural Language Processing	2.5	2024 Fall	91/100
Introduction to Artificial Intelligence	2.5	2023 Spring	90/100
Bachelor Degree Thesis	6.0	2025 Spring	90/100

### **HIGHLIGHTS**

- Academic Excellence: Maintained a weighted average score above 90 in core AI-related subjects.
- **Research Proficiency:** Rapidly produced high-quality research, authoring two papers for top-tier venues (NeurIPS and T-PAMI) within one year.

•	<b>Self-Motivated Researcher:</b> Demonstrated strong passion and initiative by independently exploring cutting-edge topics and tackling complex research challenges.