01 AIR Talent

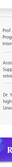
After a 2-year development, AIR has built a multi-disciplinary world-class research and innovation team with top international scientists, industrial innovation leaders, and young researchers. The faculty consists of **7 members of Chinese Academy of Engineering, US National Academy of Engineering , Academia Europaea, Academia Sinica, Australia National Academy of Engineering , ACM/IEEE Fellows**, and **Chinese national academic honours** as well.

We currently have **22** faculties, **15** post-doc and PhD students, and over **100** research staff and interns, in the area of Al/machine learning, autonomous vehicles, biological computing, green computing, advanced robotics, and data analytics.

In the last six months,
AIR continued to bring in a number of distinguished scientists:

Jimbo Xu Distinguished Visiting Professor

Professor of Toyota Technological Institute at Chicago, editorial board member of BioinformaticsJ, winner of Ozaki Memorial Fellowship Award, NSF Early Career Award, RUS Computational Biology Service Unit Award, RECOMB Test of Time Paper Award and Terrel Prize Award at the top international conference on computational biology. Keynote speaker at the Future Science Awards Forum in 2017 and guest speaker at the Nobel Laureate Symposium.



Yuxin Liu Associate Professor/Associate Researcher

Ph.D. Nanyang University, former principal researcher and team leader of WeChat AI, Tencent. He was awarded the First Prize of Science and Technology Progress Award from the Ministry of Nanyang University, former principal researcher and team leader of WeChat AI, Tencent. He was awarded the First Prize of Science and Technology Progress Award from the Ministry of Electronics Science and Technology Progress Award.

Yang Liu Associate Professor/Associate Researcher

Ph.D. Nanyang University, former research scientist and manager at ByteDance AI Lab. He was the recipient of Chinese Association of Artificial Intelligence (CAAI) Outstanding Dissertation Award, ACL 2021 Best Paper Award and CCF NLPCC Distinguished Young Scientist.

Dr. Yuxin Liu also selected for the National High-Level Talent Program for his important contributions in the research areas of Internet of Things, mobile computing and edge computing.

Assistant Professor Weizhi Ma was selected for the Young Talent Support Project for his outstanding performance in the area of text retrieval, mining and information extraction.

Dr. Yuan Hu Allegretti was awarded "Shuimu Scholar", one of the high-level young talents cultivating programs of Tsinghua University.

02 Research Achievements

Jan

In January, the "5G Network Intelligent System R&D and Industrial Scale Application" project completed by AIR and Aisainfo was awarded the Second Prize of the 2021 China Artificial Intelligence Science and Technology Progress Award". This achievement has achieved a comprehensive improvement in the level of artificial intelligence technology in the 5G network operation system, and promoted the efficiency of operation and maintenance/operation, and played a leading and exemplary role in the digital and industrial structure optimization and upgrading of the telecommunications industry.

Feb

In February, the world's first Vehicle-Infrastructure Cooperative Autonomous Driving Open Dataset, DAIR-V2X, was officially released and made available for download to users in China. The dataset is jointly released by AIR, Baidu Apollo and Beijing Automotive Demonstration Zone CAVRIANET, Baidu Apollo and Beijing Academy of Artificial Intelligence(BAAI). The research paper titled "DAIR-V2X: A Large-Scale Dataset for Vehicle-Infrastructure Cooperative 3D Object Detection" was accepted by CVPR 2022.

Mar

In March, Prof. Peng Jian's team published a paper "Deep Learning Guided Optimization of Human Antibody Against SARS-CoV-2 Variants with Broad Neutralization in the PNAS journal, demonstrating a geometric deep learning algorithm that can accurately predict the impact of mutations on the binding and significantly improved the broad-spectrum neutralization ability of antibodies against virus variants.

Apr, May

From April to June, Prof. Yunze Liu's team had a total of 3 papers accepted by the conferences by MobiCom'21 and MobiSys'22, two top academic conferences in mobile computing, both ranking first in the number of papers published/accepted. One of the papers was the only paper that received all three full marks from the judges at MobiSys'22. The research results have well addressed the challenges of the lack of training data, poor model effect, inefficient offloading, object detection in low-resolution images, and privacy protection for AI-powered video analysis.

May

In May, Associate Professor Yang Liu published a paper titled "Contribution-based federated learning for client admission control", which provides a valid and accurate method to fairly evaluate the contribution of federated learning participants to the model performance without exposing private data. The paper has won the AAAI-MLAV 2022 Award for Innovative Applications of Artificial Intelligence, bringing significant enhancements to the industrial application of federated learning.

Jun

In June, DAIR-LAB proposed the DAIR-Health personalised nutrition and health management technology framework, which integrates "nutrition and health knowledge mining", "retrieval-enhanced personalised recommendation" and "interpretable and controllable recommendation" for nutrition and health management. The framework addresses a number of technical challenges in data-driven personalised nutrition and health management.

Jun

In June, Dr. Yan Wang and SensiTime jointly published two papers at CVPR, including highly efficient end-to-end lossy image compression and the first end-to-end lossless recompression.

03 Industrial Collaboration

2021.12

AIR, together with Aisainfo, China Mobile, China Telecom and China Unicom, jointly released the white paper "Telecommunications Artificial Intelligence Engineering Accelerates Digital Networks" to share the latest experience and practices in applying AI to the 5G era, and to explore the development trend of AI technology.

2022.01

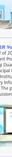
AIR and Midea conducted research on "Intelligent Collaborative Perception Technology for 'End-to-End Cloud Control' Autonomous Driving" project, and have carried out cutting-edge research on "sensor network deployment and data collection framework for whole house information model", "Model adaptive framework for real-time model calculation", "Distributed computing architecture and model for real-time digital twins".

2022.01

AIR and HAOMO AI launched a collaboration initiative in the field of intelligent autonomous driving to promote the collaboration focuses on developing advanced data-driven autonomous driving algorithms, and applying breakthroughs in delivery vehicle under complex city scenarios. This joint effort is part of AIR's core technology development in the unmanned logistics.

2022.03

AIR participated in the Tsinghua University-Toyota Research Institute mobility ecology project and collaborated with Beijing Tsinghua Chang Gung Hospital in the areas of "Research and demonstration of cross-modality and cross-scenario data technology for the medical field" and "Research and development of key technology for digital twin and cardiovascular disease health management".



2022.04

AIR's federated learning and data privacy protection related technologies were licensed to YiduCloud and Huakong Tsingjing to support the Integrated Data Management System in the context of "Double Cartoon" for green computing in data centers.

2022.05

AIR and GDTI started a research collaboration on "Data Center As+ Energy Efficiency Optimization and Key Technology Research on Integrated Energy Management System" in the context of "Double Carbon" for green computing in data centers.

2022.05

AIR collaborated with Helicon to build the HoloBrick platform based on AI technologies such as computer vision, speech/natural language processing and mixed reality.

2022.06

At the annual meeting of the Management Committee of AIR-Baidu Apollo Intelligent Transportation Joint Research Centre was held, and the two sides clarified the cooperation in the directions of information control optimization and vehicle simulation platform.

2022.06

AIR, together with BAAI, Meituan, the Institute of Science and Technology of the National Health Commission and the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology, Peking University Third Hospital, launched "Dr. Wisdom", a knowledge graph tailored for Chinese cuisine nutrition computing, empowering data-driven nutrition and health management.

04 Academic Activities

AIR faculty members actively participate in high-impact domestic and international academic activities to exert industrial intelligence influence. On 28 May, Dean Ya-Qin Zhang attended the 2022 Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area Joint Summit and delivered a keynote speech on the topic of future vehicles and intelligent transportation. He stressed that the core of the fourth industrial revolution is new energy, artificial intelligence and the Internet of Things. Guangdong, Hong Kong and Macao jointly with its partners to promote the multi-fold innovation engines of "government + university + industry + capital + application" to build a technology research and development, talent training, and industrial development, provide more long-term energy for the development of vehicle-infrastructure coordination and intelligent transportation in the Greater Bay Area. On 1-2 June, Dean Ya-Qin Zhang was invited to attend the Summit Dialogue in Shenzhen and delivered a speech on the 4th World Intelligence Conference and delivered a speech on "Intelligent Computing for 'Double Carbon'", talking about how artificial

AIR regularly organizes a variety of academic activities to enhance academic exchanges, promote discipline development, and cultivate

Academic Seminars

In the spring semester of 2022, AIR held 9 academic salons, with distinguished speakers invited from some of the most renowned universities, including AIR's Associate Professor Guyue Zhou, Associate Professor Xiaolan Jiang of Columbia University, Associate Professor Yang Liu from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Assistant Professor Yang Gao from the Institute of Interdisciplinary Information Sciences, Tsinghua University, Associate Professor Minlie Huang from the Department of Computer Science and Technology at Tsinghua University, Associate Professor Yuanchun Li from the Institute for AI Industry Research, Carnegie Mellon University, Assistant Professor Bo Li's Team from Department of Computer Science, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Professor Guoliang Xing from the Department of Information Engineering, Chinese University of Hong Kong, and a total of nearly 40, 000 views have accumulated as of now.

AIR DISCOVER Young Scientist Forum

In the first half of 2022, AIR DISCOVER Young Scientist Forum held four sessions, inviting Assistant Professor Shuo Feng of University of Michigan, Assistant Professor Yang Gao from Tsinghua University, Assistant Professor Yang Liu from University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Assistant Professor Yang Gao from Institute of Interdisciplinary Information Sciences, Tsinghua University, to give academic presentations. The participants and students were enlightened by the active academic discussions with the young scientists on frontier issues.

AIR Winter Camp

In March 2022, AIR DISCOVER Lab Robotics Boot Camp concluded successfully. Mentored by AIR's young scientists, 21 undergraduate students were selected and challenged themselves in the frontier fields of robotics, completing outstanding projects in the areas of multi-robot collaborative control, multi-robot and multi-mobile robot formation obstacle avoidance simulation research, and multi-modal vehicle-infrastructure cooperative simulation data set generation.

Challenge Event

From February to May 2022, AIR and De-Jiang Innovations (DJI) jointly organized the RoboMaster University Simulation Challenge at ICRA 2022, which aims to optimize the system performance of a real-world robotic task which is difficult to implement in the real world, and to encourage the participants to overcome unrestrained experiments in the simulator, and can test directly across the real-world robot. The competition attracted 117 entries, including top universities around the world, providing a high-level communication platform for young talents in the field of global intelligent robotics, and was highly spoken by participants.

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