

Xun Tu

PHD STUDENT · COMPUTER SCIENCE (ROBOTICS)

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Education

University of Minnesota, Twin Cities

Minneapolis, MN, USA

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY IN COMPUTER SCIENCE (ROBOTICS)

08/2023 - present

- Advisor: Prof. Karthik Desingh
- GPA: 3.61/4.0 (Top: 20%)

University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

Ann Arbor, MI, USA

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN ELECTRICAL & COMPUTER ENGINEERING

09/2021 - 04/2023

- GPA: 4.0/4.0 (Top: 10%)

University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

Ann Arbor, MI, USA

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN COMPUTER ENGINEERING

09/2019 - 04/2021

- GPA: 3.74 (Top: 16%)
- Capstone project advisor: Jonathan Beaumont

Shanghai Jiao Tong University

Shanghai, China

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN ELECTRICAL & COMPUTER ENGINEERING

09/2017 - 08/2021

- GPA: 3.72 (Top: 6%)
- Capstone project advisor: Chenbin Ma

Professional Experience

- 2023-2025 **Graduate Teaching Assistant**, Computer Science & Engineering Department, University of Minnesota, Twin Cities
- 2024 **Summer 2024 CS&E GAGE Fellowship**, University of Minnesota, Twin Cities
- 2022-2023 **Graduate Research Assistant**, Electrical & Computer Engineering Department, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor
- 2021 **Grader of course EECS 478: Logical Circuits**, Electrical & Computer Engineering Department, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

Publications

PUBLISHED

X. Tu and K. Desingh, "SuperQ-GRASP: Superquadrics-Based Grasp Pose Estimation on Larger Objects for Mobile-Manipulation," 2025 IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA), Atlanta, GA, USA, 2025, pp. 3361-3368, doi: 10.1109/ICRA55743.2025.11127681.

IN PREP

GRIT- π : Policy Adaptation in Mobile Object Manipulation

Awards, Fellowships, & Grants

- 2023 **Summer 2024 CS&E GAGE Fellowship**, Computer Science & Engineering Department of University of Minnesota, Twin Cities \$ 1500
- 2024 **ICRA 2025 Travel Grant**, RAS Member Support Program \$ 1000

Presentations

* presenting author; + mentored undergraduate

INVITED TALKS

Autumn 2025. *Fundamental topics in Computer Vision*. Guest Lecture, CSCI 5561, Computer Vision, University of Minnesota, Twin Cities.

Spring 2025. *SuperQ-GRASP: Superquadrics-based Grasp Pose Estimation on Larger Objects for Mobile-Manipulation*,. Guest Lecture, CSCI 5551, Introduction to Intelligent Robotic Systems, University of Minnesota, Twin Cities.

Autumn 2024. *Grasp Pose Esti*. Guest Lecture, CSCI 5980, Deep Rob: Deep Learning for Robotic Manipulation, University of Minnesota, Twin Cities

CONTRIBUTED PRESENTATIONS

Xun Tu, Karthik Desingh. 2025. SuperQ-GRASP: Superquadrics-based Grasp Pose Estimation on Larger Objects for Mobile-Manipulation, ICRA 2025, Atlanta, Georgia, USA.

Teaching Experience

Autumn 2025 **CSCI 5561: Computer Vision**, Teaching Assistant

Spring 2025 **CSCI 5551: Introduction to Intelligent Robotic Systems**, Teaching Assistant

Spring 2024 **CSCI 5551: Introduction to Intelligent Robotic Systems**, Teaching Assistant

Mentoring

2025-present **Zhuoli Xie**, Master of Computer Science, University of Minnesota, Twin Cities

Outreach & Professional Development

SERVICE AND OUTREACH

08/2024 **Welcome Session for New Graduate Students in Computer Science**, Volunteer

Minneapolis,
MN, USA

09/2018 - 08/2019 **Honor Council of UM-SJTU Joint Institute in Shanghai Jiao Tong University**, Investigator

Shanghai,
China

DEVELOPMENT

Beyond Pick and Place – Unifying Learning-Based and Model-Based Approaches for Contact-Rich Manipulation Attend the workshop as an audience to study the recent progress in robotic manipulation policy learning, especially for the mobile manipulation tasks

Beyond the Lab: Robust Planning and Control in Real World Scenarios Attend the workshop as an audience to study the recent progress in real-world robotic manipulation tasks

PEER REVIEW

1 conference paper reviewed for CoRL (Conference on Robotics Learning)

1 conference paper reviewed for RSS (Robotics: Science and Systems)

1 journal paper reviewed for Science Robotics:

1 conference paper reviewed for ICRA (Internationa Conference on Robotics and Automation)

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

IEEE Membership (student)
IEEE Robotics and Automation Society Membership