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EDUCATION

Ph.D., Information School University of Washington, Seattle Advised by Prof. Jacob O. Wobbrock	2017.9 - Present
BS, Computer Science and Technology Department of Computer Science and Technology, Tsinghua University GPA 91.0 (Rank 13/127) Minor in Journalism	2013.8 - 2017.7
Visiting Student, the Fluid Interfaces Group Media Lab, Massachusetts Institute of Technology Advised by Prof. Pattie Maes	2016.6 - 2016.9
Exchange Student, Computer Science and Engineering The Chinese University of Hong Kong	2015.9 - 2015.12

RESEARCH INTEREST

Human Computer Interaction - Input Method / Touching and Stylus / Natural User Interface

PUBLICATIONS

Yi, X., Yu, C., **Zhang, M.**, Gao, S., Sun, K., & Shi, Y. ATK: Enabling ten-finger freehand typing in air based on 3d hand tracking data. **UIST 2015**

HONORS & AWARDS

Excellent graduate of the CST Department, Tsinghua	2017
The National Scholarship of China (Top 1%)	2016
1 st winner of the National Database Conference Cup	2016
Top 4 projects - "Leap Touch", HACK SHANGHAI Hackathon	2015
Best note of Youdao Course Note Competition	2015
Best watch application award - "Pebble Mario", THACK Hackathon	2014

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Fluid Interfaces Group, MIT Media Lab <i>Visiting Student</i> Developed hardware and algorithm of the project Fluxa. Lead the project Shoulder Muscle-Computer Interface. Programmed with Myo armband. Signal processing and pattern recognition with EMG.	2016.6 - 2016.9
Multimedia Lab, the Chinese University of Hong Kong <i>Research Assistant</i> Write experimental codes on machine learning, modified the CXXNET (a framework of deep learning) code and revised the convolutional layer of it. The result proved not applicable.	2015.6 - 2015.8
Pervasive Computing Group, Tsinghua University <i>Research Assistant</i> Designed and implemented Air-typing platform. Evaluated different finger-tracking algorithms. Kinect and Leap Motion programming. Edited the demo video.	2014.10 - 2015.4

WORK EXPERIENCE

Momenta.ai Inc. Beijing <i>Research Intern</i> Research on road segmentation. Modify Full Convolutional Network base model on caffe and PyTorch. Boost recall & accuracy about 5%. Speed up framework from 8fps to 100fps.	2016.12 - 2017.6
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MailTime Inc. Beijing

2016.2 - 2016.6

iOS Intern

Redesigned interaction logic and UI, user tutorial and feedback, increased 25% of the user retention.

Chestnut Tech Inc. Beijing

2014.10 - 2016.1

Co-founder, iOS Developer

Main developer of "Parocam" application, Face transform algorithm, UI design and product operation

PROJECTS

PAROCAM IOS APP @Chestnut Tech Inc. www.parocam.com

2014.11 - 2016.1

- A funny iOS app transforming images of human faces (such as stretching the mouth) in real time, using multithread face-detection tech based on GPU.
- Developed functions of Chat Bubbles, Video Merge.
- 20,000 downloads in App Store (with overall rating 4+).

SPAM DETECTING ON Q-A COMMUNITY @NDBC CUP'16

2016.5 - 2016.6

- Designed a novel approach to detect spam answers in Q-A community.
- Using CNN and Word2Vec, with additional NLP data pre-processing. F-value 66.0%.

FLUXA @Media Lab MIT

2016.6 - 2016.9

- Fluxa is a wearable LED device that utilizes POV (Persistence of Vision). When waving hands with Fluxa, an image or text can be seen. The device is designed to fortify social interaction and augment body movement.
- Improved display algorithm in Arduino.
- **Our project is accepted by UIST'16 Demo Session.**

VOICE++ DIGITAL DESIGN PROJECT

2015.5 - 2015.6

- A hardware project that can recognize one's voiceprint.
- Recognizing algorithm(MFCC) in Verilog. WM8731 Chip Programming. Audio receiving and Voice vector matching Algorithm.
- Accuracy: 90% in two people, 75% in three people. A demo on YouTube is available (search VOICE++).

DAN9 @ANNUAL STUDENT GALA OF CST, TSINGHUA

2014.7 - 2015.4

- Bullet Screen (danmaku) development for our major's annual gala.
- Built a server of Wechat public account, using PHP to connect to our address book system.

KEYNOTES AND PRESENTATIONS

Momenta.ai

"GANs Family", Intro to Generative Adversarial Networks, Beijing

2017.3

TEACHING

Teaching Assistant

INFO 360 Design Thinking, UW Seattle

2017 Fall

PRESS COVERAGE

NEXT 36Kr(2015) "Product of the day - Parocam"

Youdao(2015) "Winner of Youdao Course Note Competition"

SKILLS

Programming

C/C++/C#/JavaScript/MATLAB/Objective-C/Python

Journalism

Chinese writing/Interview

Art & Media

Adobe Photoshop/Adobe Premiere/Final Cut Pro