

# Han Zhang

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## EDUCATION

### The Johns Hopkins University

Aug. 2022 – Dec. 2023

Master of Science; Biomedical Engineering

- GPA: 3.80 / 4.0

Relevant course: Deep Learning, Computer Vision, Augmented Reality, Computer Integrated Surgery I&II, Medical Robot Design, Haptic Interface

Design, Robot Device Kinematics Dynamics and Control, Algorithms for Sensor-based Robotics

### University of California, Davis

Sept. 2018 – Jun. 2022

Bachelor of Science; Biomedical Engineering with Honors

- GPA: 3.79 / 4.0

Relevant course: Data Structure, Biomedical Signal and Control, Biomedical Imaging System, Clinical Application of Biomedical Device Design,

Biotransport Phenomena, Neuroengineering

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCES

### Spatial Planning for Medical Environment in Virtual Reality Digital Twin

July. 2023 – Present

Advisor: Prof. Mathias Unberath

*ARCADE Lab, Johns Hopkins University*

- Created NeRF-based digital twin to improve spatial planning ability in operation room.
- Implemented the manipulation of the surgical digital twin and user interaction in the VR environment.
- Designed and conducted the user study to investigate the mental impact of planning in different quality reconstructions.

### Autonomous X-ray Image Acquisition and Interpretation System

July. 2023 – Present

Advisor: Prof. Mathias Unberath

*ARCADE Lab, Johns Hopkins University*

- Participated in building an autonomous system to reduce operating time and excess X-ray acquisition for percutaneous fracture fixation.
- Developed an argument reality-based virtual indicator interface to provide real time wire insertion guidance based on preoperative CT scan and intraoperative X-ray shot.
- Designed and fabricated an AR-compatible drill attachment for IR tracking by using rapid prototyping.

### Fostering Empathy and Engagement among Surgical Teams through Virtual Reality

Jun. 2023 – Sept. 2023

Advisor: Prof. Mathias Unberath

*ARCADE Lab, Johns Hopkins University*

- Developed a multiplayer VR simulator to investigate the cooperation and engagement in surgical teamwork.
- Designed and conducted a user study demonstrating that exposure to surgical workflows can significantly benefit non-surgical team members.

### Recreating Pelvic Trauma Surgery in Virtual Reality

Jan. 2023 – Jun. 2023

Advisor: [Prof. Russell H. Taylor](#) & Prof. Mathias Unberath

*ARCADE Lab, Johns Hopkins University*

- Led the development of a multiplayer VR simulator for pelvic trauma surgery with C-arm fluoroscopy for orthopedic surgeons training.
- Created the interactive VR environment, surgical asset, tool-to-tissue modeling and training curriculum.

### Learning Assessment in XR Using Eye Tracking

Feb. 2023 - Jun. 2023

Advisor: [Prof. Ehsan Azimi](#)

*Department of Computer Science, Johns Hopkins University*

- Developed an eye gaze-based evaluation system for trainee surgical skills using Microsoft Hololens2.
- Responsible for implementing Unity scene, study design and data collection.

### Surgical Phase Recognition from X-ray Image

Jan. 2023 – Mar. 2023

Advisor: Prof. Mathias Unberath

*ARCADE Lab, Johns Hopkins University*

- Participated in creating a surgical phase recognition model for X-ray-guided percutaneous pelvic fracture fixation based on AI-generated X-ray.
- Conducted the cadaver study to analysis to verify the model effectiveness.
- Created the 3D models of the surgical tools for realistic X-ray simulation.

### 3D Hapkit: 3-degree-of-freedom (DOF) Haptic Device using a Delta Parallel Mechanism

Jun. 2022 - Dec. 2022

Advisor: [Prof. Jeremy Brown](#)

*Haptics and Medical Robotics Laboratory, Johns Hopkins University*

- Developed a 3-DOF kinesthetic haptic device for higher educational training by rapid prototyping.
- Created a virtual environment for rendering haptic interaction with virtual objects.

### Radiolucent Hand and Wrist Fixation Device Senior Capstone Project

Sept. 2021- Jun. 2022

**Advisor:** [Prof. Robert M. Szabo](#)

*Department of Orthopedics, UC Davis Health*

- Designed and fabricated a device that stabilized patients' upper extremities during C-arm fluoroscopy to prevent surgeons' hands from radiation exposure.

**Low-Cost Microfluidic Device for Single-Cell Isolation and Cloning**

Sept. 2021- Jun. 2022

**Advisor:** [Prof. Marc T. Facciotti](#)

*BioInnovation Group at University of California, Davis*

- Recruited and Lead 10 people to create cost-effective microfluidic chips for high throughput single cell isolation and culturing to analyze cell heterogeneity.
- Achieved the single cell capture and increased the rate to 35% at 1/100th the upfront cost using 3D printing techniques.

**Automated Microscopy Drug Screening System for Cardiotoxicity Identification**

Jan. 2021- Jun. 2022

**Advisor:** [Prof. Ye Chen-Izu](#)

*Cardiac Signaling Laboratory at University of California, Davis*

- Designed an innovative cell-in-gel chamber with electric field stimulation.
- Analyzed the flow and drug distribution of cell-in-gel chamber in SolidWorks and fabricated by PDMS.
- Developed multiple adjustable stages used for Olympus Confocal Microscope by rapid prototyping.

## PUBLICATIONS

- **H. Zhang** & B. D. Killeen (co-first authors), L. Wang, Z. Liu, R.H. Taylor, G. Osgood, and M. Unberath, Stand in My Shoes: Fostering Empathy and Engagement among Surgical Teams through Virtual Reality. *The 15th International Conference on Information Processing in Computer-Assisted Interventions*. In Review.
- C. Kleinbeck, **H. Zhang**, B. D. Killeen, D. Roth, M. Unberath, Optimizing Complex Medical Environments and Scenarios via Immersive Neural Rendering-based Digital Twins. *The 15th International Conference on Information Processing in Computer-Assisted Interventions*. In preparation.
- B. D. Killeen, **H. Zhang**, J. Mangulabnan, M. Armand, R.H. Taylor, G. Osgood, and M. Unberath, Pelphix: Surgical Phase Recognition from X-ray Images in Percutaneous Pelvic Fixation. *The 26<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Medical Image Computing and Computer-Assisted Intervention*. [https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-031-43996-4\\_13](https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-031-43996-4_13)
- **H. Zhang**, J. U. Bartels and J. D. Brown, 3D Hapkit: A Low-Cost, Open-Source, 3-DOF Haptic Device Based on the Delta Parallel Mechanism. *2023 IEEE World Haptics Conference*, July 10-13, Delft, Netherlands.

## PRESENTATION & DEMOS

- IEEE World Haptics 2023 Conference, Delft, Netherlands July 2023  
"3D Hapkit: 3-degree-of-freedom (DOF) Haptic Device using a Delta Parallel Mechanism"
- Johns Hopkins University LCSR Day, Baltimore, USA April 2023  
"PelvisVR: Recreating Pelvic Trauma Surgery in Virtual Reality"
- 2022 UC Davis College of Engineering Design Showcase, Davis, USA June 2022  
"THF: Radiolucent Hand and Wrist Fixation Device For Intraoperative Fluoroscopy"

## ACTIVITIES

- Teaching Assistant, *Whiting School of Engineering, Johns Hopkins University* Aug. 2023 - Present
- Haptic Interface Design for Human-Robot Interaction (EN 530.491/691).
  - Intro to Augmented Reality (EN 601.454/654).
- Team Leader in Microfluidics, *BioInnovation Group at University of California, Davis* Sept. 2021 - Jun. 2022

## AWARDS

- Best Project Award in *Computer Integrated Surgery II, Johns Hopkins University* May 2023
- Best Project Award in *Haptic Interface Design, Johns Hopkins University* Dec. 2022
- Excellence in Manufacturing Award at *Senior Design, University of California, Davis* Jun. 2022
- Dean's Honor List, *College of Engineering, University of California, Davis* Oct. 2021

## AWARDS

- **Programming Languages:** Python, MATLAB, C#, C++
- **Tools:** Unity, ROS, Arduino IDE, 3D Slicer, LaTeX, PyTorch, Git, Simulink
- **CAD Software:** Blender, Solidworks, 3DS Max
- **Manufacturing:** 3D Printing, CNC, Laser Cutting, Drilling, Welding
- **Wet Lab:** Cell Culture, 3D Bioprinting, Microscopy