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EDUCATION

Tsinghua University

Beijing, China

M.S.E. in Data Science and Information Technology (GPA: 3.97/4.0) 2022.09 – Present

Advisor: Prof. Yuanchun Shi, HCILab

Tsinghua University

Beijing, China

B.S. in Psychology (Major GPA: 3.9/4.0, top 3%) 2018.08 – 2022.06

Honors: Excellent Graduates, Award of Excellence in Academic Performance (top 5%)

WORKING IN PROGRESS

Common to Doctors while Uncommon to Patients: Understanding How Hemifacial Spasm Patients Seek Healthcare Information from Their Perceptions in Early Illness Phase

Under submission in CHI 2024 as the first author

Beyond Digital Privacy: Uncovering Deeper Attitudes toward Privacy in Home Camera among Older Adults

Under submission in International Journal of Human Computer Studies as the third author

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Monitoring and Grading Hemifacial Spasm in Postoperative Rehabilitation

2023.06 - Present

Advisor: Dr. Yuntao Wang, Department of Computer Science and Technology, Tsinghua University

- o Investigated patients' healthcare needs and challenges, leading to the development of an mHealth application that integrates monitoring and grading algorithms based on data collected in the hospital setting.
- Conducted semi-structured interviews with patients and neurosurgeons to explore healthcare informationseeking practices of hemifacial spasm in Chinese context.

Topic Modeling to Explore Financial Behaviors in Bipolar Disorder

2023.08 – Present

Advisor: Dr. Saeed Abdullah, College of Information Sciences and Technology, Pennsylvania State University

 Analyzing legal cases through the Harvard Caselaw Access Project API to extract valuable insights into compulsive buying and risk-taking behaviors observed during manic episodes in bipolar disorder.

Invisible Guardian: Home Cameras with Fall Detection for Older Adults

2021.09 - 2022.03

Advisor: Dr. Jihong Jeung, Future Laboratory, Tsinghua University

- Conducted a qualitative study using various methods (survey, interviews, focus group, co-design workshop, and diary studies) to explore the psychological and physical needs of older adults regarding home cameras.
- o Investigated the design and scenarios of home cameras with fall detection, focusing on privacy disclosure and dignity, to support and enhance the well-being of older adults who live alone.
- o Concluded a PARW (Protective, Active, Respectful, Warm) design guideline model.
- o Released a 67-page user study report in collaboration with Tencent.

Lookine: Non-Verbal Social Assistance and Learning System for Blind People

- 2021.03 2021.05
- Conducted quantitative research to study the usability and user experience of Lookine, a system for assisting blind individuals in social interactions using visual recognition technology and voice interaction.
- o Found that Lookine is significant when facial expressions and emotion of voice/content are inconsistent, and its good user experience enables them to have a more similar experience to that of sighted individuals.

EMPLOYMENT EXPERIENCE

NetEase Games Thunder Fire UX

Hangzhou, China

User Experience Researcher for Summer Internship

2021.07 - 2021.08

- o Facilitated MMORPG Mobile Games "Chinese Ghost Story", which boasts over 370,000 players.
- o Collaborated with game designers and data engineers to enhance player experience via gathering and analyzing player feedback from surveys and interviews.
- O Authored 8 reports that analyzed qualitative and quantitative data from over 100,000 players.

SKILLS

Computer Skills: Python, HTML/CSS, JavaScript, SPSS, Figma, Microsoft Office Suites

UX Skills: Qualitative Research, Quantitative Research, Experiment Design, Data Analysis, UX Design **Language:** Fluent English (TOEFL 102, Duolingo 130), Native Chinese (Mandarin, Cantonese, Hokkien) **Interests:** Volunteering (8 years of experience), Music (Piano with ABRSM Grade 7, Former Percussion

Member in THUMB), Powerlifting