# ZHENG DONG

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### **SUMMARY**

Computer science student (expected MS Spring 2024) with an interest in Programming Language (PL) research, especially applied to Human-Computer Interaction (HCI). Advanced coursework, internship, and research experiences in HCI, robotics, and Neuroscience.

### **EDUCATION BACKGROUND**

# University of Bristol, Bristol, UK

Sep 2023 – Jun 2024

Major: M.Eng. in computer science

Core courses: Advanced Topics in Programming Languages, Applied Deep Learning, Internet Economics and Financial Technology

University of Bristol, Bristol, UK

Sep 2020 – Jun 2023

Major: B.Eng. in computer science, GPA: 3.3/4.0

### RESEARCH PUBLICATIONS

- Zheng Dong, Peiyang Jiang, DanDan Zhang "Health-Metaverse: Large AI Models and Extended Reality-Based Ecosystem for Personalized Home-Centric Healthcare", Under submission, 2023
- Dandan Zhang, Ziniu Wu, Jin Zheng, Zheng Dong, Jialin Lin, "HuBotVerse: Towards internet of Human and Intelligent Robotic Things with a Mixed Reality-Aided Cloud-Based Framework" IEEE Robotics and Automation Magazine, Under review, 2023

### ACADEMIC RESEARCH

### Health-care digital twins using generative AI and virtual reality

Jun 2023 - Aug 2023

PI: Prof. Dandan Zhang, University of Bristol

- Constructed lifelike avatars with dynamic expressions, utilized advanced computer graphics tools such as Blender and Maya, and employed cutting-edge animation techniques
- Generated natural language processing capabilities in digital twins, incorporated the ChatGPT API, devised an innovative memory mechanism for contextually-aware responses
- Streamlined integration of avatars, speech services, and advanced Language Models (LLMs); demonstrated the synergistic augmentation of healthcare digital twins for personalized and dynamic interactions

## Enhancing climate service applying the human-computer interaction theory

Jun 2023 – Aug 2023

PI: professor Jacob Rigby, University of Bristol

- Optimized the interface of the East Africa Hazard Watch system by applying human-computer interaction theory, and tailored the design to user preferences through a developed persona report
- Synthesized a comprehensive literature review on Human-Computer Interaction (HCI) for climate service applications, and informed methodological choices and theoretical frameworks from relevant studies
- Assessed the usability and user experience of the climate service website with a heuristic evaluation report, analyzed interface elements and interactions to pinpoint areas for improvement, and delivered reports to ICPAC
- Fostered collaboration with a multidisciplinary team, effectively integrated expertise from varied fields for a holistic approach

## WORK EXPERIENCES

Assistant, AI Law

Dec 2022 – Feb 2023

Marketing operations department, American

- Collected and searched for information about the layers and laws online
- Labeled the feedback from the users about their satisfaction with the system to build up the machine learning models for supporting the company future decision-making

## **PROJECTS**

# **Back to Nature Game**

Dec 2022 – May 2023

- Supervisor: Prof. Tilo Burghardt, University of Bristol
- Coordinated team processes, organized meeting and brainstorming sessions, and managed the project progress
- Integrated interactive elements aligning with the game's ecological narrative, and utilized Maya, Blender, Unity, and Affinity design pipelines to implement engaging gameplay models
- Developed and Enhanced realism and visual appeal through custom shaders and visual effects in 3D scenes, and augmented the immersive experience for players within the game environment

### Smart Home Robotics iCloud Monitoring Website

Jul 2022 – Sep 2022

PI: Prof. Dandan Zhang, University of Bristol

- Constructed two robots, a smart home robot and a smart dog robot, achieved innovative solutions for smart living environment
- Utilized Arduino, Django, and Raspberry Pi technologies to create to seamless user interface, and facilitated real-time monitoring and control through a user-friendly mobile application
- Implemented Django framework for web development, and acquired a new skill set and applied in an iCloud-based monitoring system

### SOCIAL & EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

### Volunteer, UCESCO (a non-profit volunteer organization), Africa

Sep 2022

- Helped local people out of poor living situations, focused on agriculture, education, sustainable development, and female business
- Provided assistance to local communities in need, collaborated with a team to organize, and executed projects, focused on improving living conditions and promoting sustainable development
- Solved the job search predicament by contacting the local enterprises and the United National organizations for slums people (arranged the interviews and trained courses)

# Student, Study Abroad: Kyoto and Tokyo University, Japan

Feb 2019

Study tour project in Japan organized by Kyoto University

- Academic communication about collecting the data about the Satellites monitoring changes in ocean about the weather service application
- Explored the intersection of Japanese technology and culture through visits to leading technology companies and cultural landmarks

Languages: English (academic, communications) Chinese (native) GRE: 334 (Verbal: 164, Quantitative: 170, Analytical Writing: 4)

Programming: Python, Java, R languages, Web development (HTML, CSS, JavaScript), MATLAB, Go, C++, C