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### **EDUCATION**

University of California, Berkeley - Berkeley, CA

Master of Engineering, Computer Science - Visual Computing and Computer Graphics

05/2014

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign - Urbana, IL

Bachelor of Science, ECE with Highest Honors, Overall: 3.89/4.0, Technical: 3.92/4.0

05/2013

Zhejiang University - Hangzhou, China

Chu Kochen Honors College, Overall: 3.96/4.0

09/2008 - 06/2010

Related Coursework: Computer Vision, Deep Learning, Machine Learning, Algorithms, Computer Graphics, Parallel Computing, Operating Systems, Computer Architecture, Leadership, Entrepreneurship

### **SKILLS**

Languages: C/C++, Python, CUDA, MATLAB, HTML, CSS, JavaScript, SQL, x86

Applications: OpenCV, TensorFlow, TFLite, Keras, Motion Capture (VICON), Google Cloud Platform, Android, OpenGL

#### **EXPERIENCE**

Stealth Mode Startup on Social Avatar - Senior Computer Vision Engineer, Redwood City, CA 02/2018 - Present

- Led computer vision research and development towards real-time mobile deployment with Tensorflow Lite
- Implemented from scratch a real-time 130 fps constrained local model based (CLM) face landmark tracker in C++/Python
- Trained a real-time 400 fps Xception-based emotion deep network with Keras for animating face blend shapes
- Developed a real-time 400 fps MTCNN-based landmark/bounding box network for face localization and pose estimation
- Performed support vector regression on network intermediate outputs for mouth/eye feature detection

Magic Leap Inc. - Lead Software Engineer, Mountain View, CA

11/2015 - 02/2018

- Led eye tracking algorithmic performance analysis
- 6DoF motion capture and verification (sub-millimeter spatial and  $\mu$ s-level temporal calibration)
- Automated and scaled up groundtruth data collection by 10x to 100+ houses and 2000 human subjects in 1 year
- Streamlined perception algorithm batch evaluation and visualization on the cloud with 100x speed in 2 years

**Apple Inc.** - Performance and Modeling Engineer, Cupertino, CA

06/2014 - 11/2015

- Performed use cases performance validation and trade-off analysis for next-generation mobile system-on-chips (SoCs)
- Implemented SoC models and interface layers to agent models/RTL and software simulation platforms in C/C++
- Initiated a trace-based system performance/traffic pattern mining and visualization tool

Qualcomm Research Silicon Valley - Augmented Reality (Prof. Björn Hartmann), Santa Clara, CA 09/2013 - 05/2014

- Designed a user interface framework that delivers an interactive indoor navigation experience through 3D augmented graphical views aligned with indoor objects
  - Demonstrated our application in the CITRIS Invention Lab at Berkeley, providing augmented navigation, interactive device instructions, demo products display and device reservation lookup for lab visitors and apprentices
  - Developed on the Android mobile platform powered by OpenGL graphics, orientation sensors and a position simulator

Qualcomm Inc. - Graphics System Design Intern, San Diego, CA

05/2013 - 08/2013

- Initiated and developed text processing and pattern matching tools for massive netlist and log files
- Performed MIPI DSI (Display Serial Interface) modeling and video stream simulations

Coordinated Science Laboratory - Diagnosing Performance Violations at System Level Using Data Mining (Prof. Shobha Vasudevan), Urbana, IL 10/2012 - 05/2013

- Localized the latency and throughput violations using a concurrent pattern mining approach
- Applied domain knowledge to filter out up to 92.8% of transaction traces, increasing mining efficiency
- Set up a system-level modeling platform for on-chip bus communication in SystemC and TLM

Beckman Institute - Brain-controlled Programmable Embedded System, Urbana, IL

01/2013 - 05/2013

- Designed an EEG-signal-controlled tablet prototype with ~2.5 s response time and 95% reliability
- Earned Research Award in Senior Design Hall of Fame

Qualcomm Inc. - Algorithm and System Design Intern, San Diego, CA

06/2012 - 08/2012

- Implemented the color processing algorithm based on 3D look-up table gamut mapping for Mirasol Display
- Optimized memory placement algorithm and reduced look-up table size by a factor of 4

# **PUBLICATIONS**

Improving User Experiences in Indoor Navigation with Augmented Reality, Technical Report No. UCB/EECS-2014-74 Diagnosing Root Causes of System Level Performance Violations, Computer-Aided Design, IEEE/ACM ICCAD 2013 Troubleshooting Performance Violations at System Level Using Data Mining, Design Automation Conference 2013 WIP High-field Transport and Thermal Reliability of Sorted Carbon Nanotube Network Devices, ACS Nano 2012

### **HONORS**

Eta Kappa Nu, Tau Beta Pi, National Society of Collegiate Scholars, IEEE, SIAM

Highest Honors at Graduation, O. Thomas and Martha S. Purl Scholarship, Dean's List

First-Class Scholarship for Outstanding Merits, 2008-2009

First Prize in National Physics Contest in Jiangsu, China, 2007

#### **PROJECTS**

### $360^{\circ}$ VR Film Storytelling - Garage Stories Hackathon, Palo Alto

06/2017

- $\bullet$  Practised VR story telling and created a film with 360° camera in 36 hours on a team of 5
- Post-editing and stitching in progress; full film to be released on YouTube [link placeholder]

#### Driving Behavior Cloning on Simulator Tracks with DNN - Udacity Self Driving Car Challenge

02/2017

- Collected and generalized multiple laps of my own driving data on a Unity simulator
- Trained in Keras the NVIDIA end-to-end model architecture, which successfully drives the car around track

### Advanced Lance Detection and Vehicle Tracking - Udacity Self Driving Car Challenge

12/2016

- Designed and fine-tuned a robust lane detection algorithm based on traditional CV features (color space gradients on perspective transformed undistorted images)
- Trained and robustified a Linear SVM on YCrCb HOG features with GTI and KITTI vehicle datasets

# Data Visualization Framework on VR Systems - AT&T VR Mobile App Hackathon - San Francisco

06/2015

- Designed an immersive virtual reality framework for real-time data visualization on Gear VR with Unity Game Engine
- Enabled users to literally walk into big data represented by dots and curves, zoom, pinch and travel in 4 dimensions

### Machine Learning - CS Berkeley

01/2014 - 05/2014

- Applied logistic regression, SVM, decision trees, random forests, neural networks, K-means, PCA and etc. on various supervised/unsupervised classification/regression problems
- Predicted day of the week with 98.84% accuracy with 15 months of daily traffic data in the bay area

#### Parallel Computing - CS Berkeley

01/2014 - 05/2014

- Parallelized matrix multiplication, particle simulation and Knapsack problem with OpenMP, MPI, CUDA or UPC
- Implemented a generic parallelized framework of A\* search with both CUDA and OpenMP

# Augmented Object Detector - Android App - CS Berkeley

09/2013 - 02/2014

- Detected objects from Android camera video stream with Haar-like features
- Rendered the detected objects in a 3D virtual scene on top of camera view with OpenGL ES 2

#### Operating Systems - CS Berkeley and ECE UIUC

01/2013 - 02/2014

- Developed a multi-threaded HTTP server that supports asynchronous IO and thread-safe caching
- Built a Linux-based OS in C and x86: paging, interrupts, system calls, program loader, page allocator, multiple terminals, scheduling, signals, sound and mouse support, shell extensions and GUI
- Achieved 4th place out of 30 teams in the Microsoft Operating System Design Competition

# Computer Graphics and Computer Vision - CS Berkeley

09/2013 - 11/2013

- Coded in C++ from scratch: a ray tracer that implements Phong shading, refraction and .obj file inputs
- Developed in OpenGL: uniform subdivision, adaptive tessellation, obj & mtl inputs, vertex shading
- Explored homography rectification, 3D reconstruction, edge detection, texture and digit recognition

#### Pipelined Processor Design - ECE UIUC

09/2012 - 12/2012

- Designed and verified datapath, control and cache of a 5-stage pipelined processor based on LC3b
- Achieved 2nd place out of 22 teams in the AMD Processor Design Competition