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Work Experience

Rendering Engineer	Toronto, Canada	January 2021 – August 2021
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Tangent Animation</i>, Developed the in-house path tracer used for interactive previews and rendering final shots. Developed new features required for production and assisted the pipeline and artists on rendering problems.		
Research Assistant	Vancouver, Canada	September 2017 – May 2020
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>University of British Columbia</i>, Digital Geometry Processing Group. Supervisor: Alla Sheffer		
Teaching Assistant	Vancouver, Canada	September 2017 – April 2019
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>University of British Columbia</i>, Computer Graphics (Fall '17); Videogame Programming (Spring '18, Spring '19)		

Research Publications

- Polina Zablotzkaia, **Edoardo A. Dominici**, Leonid Sigal, Andreas Lehrmann, *PROVIDE: A Probabilistic Framework for Unsupervised Video Composition*, **UAI 2021**
- **Edoardo A. Dominici**, Nico Schertler, Jonathan Griffin, Leonid Sigal, Alla Sheffer, *PolyFit: Perception-aligned Vectorization of Raster Clip-Art via Intermediate Polygonal Fitting*, **SIGGRAPH 2020** (ACM TOG 39(4))
- Shayan Hoshyari, **Edoardo A. Dominici**, Alla Sheffer, Nathan Carr, Zhaowen Wang, Duygu Ceylan, I-Chao Shen, *Perception-Driven Semi-Structured Boundary Vectorization*, **SIGGRAPH 2018** (ACM TOG 37(4))

Education

University of British Columbia	Vancouver, Canada	September 2017 – May 2020
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• MSc in Computer Science, Thesis: Perception-Aligned Vectorization of Raster Clip-Art, Supervisor: Alla Sheffer		
University of Pisa	Pisa, Italy	September 2014 – January 2017
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• BSc in Computer Science, Thesis: Practical Image Retargeting in Web Pages, Supervisor: Marco Tarini		

Programming Projects

PolyFit (C++, Eigen) | 2020: Vectorization of clip-art images. Computes a polygonal approximation through a shortest cycle on the image boundary. The polygon is used to learn which curve primitives to use and as a guide for the non-linear curve fitting.

Subdivision Surfaces (C, AVX-256) | 2018: Implementation of surface subdivision schemes for triangular (Loop) and quadrilateral (Catmull-Clark) manifold meshes. Experimenting with SoA layouts and SIMD intrinsics.

Monte Carlo Path Tracer (C) | 2017: Multi-threaded unidirectional Monte Carlo path tracer supporting textures, MIS (Direct Lighting), BSDFS (Lambertian, specular, glass). Ray tracing code written from scratch.

Real-time Renderer (C++, Direct3D 11) | 2017: Forward renderer supporting many lights through screenspace buckets, HDR pipeline with luminosity downsampling and tone mapping, shadows with PCF filtering.

Motion Graphs (Python, OpenGL) | 2017: Implementation of Motion Graphs, capable of loading and rendering BVH motion sequences, identify similar motion segments and generate interpolating keyframes.

Constrained Quadratic Programming (C++, Eigen) | 2017: Finds the minimizer of a quadratic function subject to equality and inequality constraints. Newton's method is applied to the KKT conditions to obtain a search direction which is then refined through Mehortra predictor-corrector logic. Compared to penalty methods.

WebGL Image Retargeting (C++, WebGL) | 2015: Stores sparse and compact axis-aligned retargeting solutions as EXIF metadata in JPEG images. A client-side script extracts and interpolates between them in a WebGL canvas to match the resolution inferred from the image style.

Hackatons (C++, Direct3D 11, OpenGL) | 2013-2015: Heuristic web scraper (3rd- Hackcortona 2016); 3D sound memory puzzle (2nd- Internet Festival 2015); 2D Maze platformer (Indievault game jam 2016); 2D sidescroller (Global Game Jam 2013);

Skills

Languages: C++, C, Python, JavaScript, MATLAB, SQL

Software: Houdini, Blender

Frameworks: Direct3D11, OpenGL, Qt, scikit-learn