# Ruizhi Cheng

Contact

☑ rcheng40gmu.edu

INFORMATION https://github.com/felixshing

in https://www.linkedin.com/in/ruizhi-cheng

A https://felixshing.github.io/

**G** Scholar

Nguyen Engineering Building 5360

Last updated: March 17, 2023. Page 1 of 2

4400 University Dr

Fairfax, Virginia

United States, 22030

George Mason University

EDUCATION

Ph.D. Student in Computer Science

George Mason University

Advisor: Dr. Bo Han

Aug. 2021 - Present Fairfax, VA, USA

Working

George Mason University, USA

EXPERIENCE Research Assistant

Aug. 2021 - Present

- Design live interactive volumetric video streaming system.
- Design gaze-driven volumetric video streaming system.
- Design privacy-preserving biometric-based user authentication system in virtual reality (VR).
- Conduct network measurement study on social VR platforms.

### Publications Under Review

9. Ruizhi Cheng, Yuetong Wu, Ashish Kundu, Hugo Latapie, Myungjin Lee, Songqing Chen, Bo Han

MetaFL: Federated Learning for User Authentication in Metaverse Submitted to **MobiCom**, 2023

- 8. Ruizhi Cheng, Erdem Murat, Lap-Fai Yu, Songqing Chen, Bo Han Understanding User Experience of Online Education in Metaverse: A Systems Perspective Submitted to UbiComp, 2023
- Ruizhi Cheng, Puqi Zhou, Jie Li, Songqing Chen, Bo Han Dissecting User Experience of Social VR: A Tale of Five Popular Platforms Submitted to UbiComp, 2023
- Ruizhi Cheng, Songqing Chen, Bo Han
   Towards Zero-trust Security for the Metaverse
   Submitted to IEEE Communication, 2023. https://arxiv.org/abs/2302.08885
- Nan Wu, Ruizhi Cheng, Songqing Chen, Bo Han PIPE: Privacy-preserving Image-based 6DoF Pose Estimation for Emerging Applications Submitted to MobiSys, 2023

## Peer-reviewed Papers

- Ruizhi Cheng, Nan Wu, Songqing Chen, Bo Han Will Metaverse be NextG Internet? Vision, Hype, and Reality IEEE Network, 2022
- 3. Ruizhi Cheng, Nan Wu, Matteo Varvello, Songqing Chen, Bo Han Are We Ready for Metaverse? A Measurement Study of Social Virtual Reality Platforms ACM IMC, 2022
- Nan Wu, Ruizhi Cheng, Songqing Chen, Bo Han Preserving Privacy in Mobile Spatial Computing ACM NOSSDAV, 2022
- Ruizhi Cheng, Nan Wu, Songqing Chen, Bo Han Reality Check of Metaverse: A First Look at Commercial Social Virtual Reality Platforms Metabuild@IEEE VR, 2022 Best Paper Award

# SELECTED PROJECTS

## Live Interactive Volumetric Video Streaming (Ongoing)

- Build an end-to-end live volumetric content capture, creation, delivery, and rendering system set up at multiple locations.
- Transmit high-quality volumetric content with high frame rate and low end-to-end latency in real-time.

## Gaze-driven Volumetric Video Streaming (Ongoing)

- Build a gaze-driven volumetric streaming system on HoloLens 2.
- Segment volumetric data into cells and encode them on the server.
- Transmit high-quality content near the foveal area and low-quality content to the periphery based on gaze prediction to save bandwidth while maintaining a high quality of experience (QoE).

# Privacy-preserving Biometric-based User Authentication in VR (Ongoing)

- Utilize federated learning (FL), a privacy-preserving distributed machine learning technique, to conduct user authentication while protecting user privacy in social VR.
- Re-implement two state-of-the-art FL-based user authentication algorithms, FedAWS (ICML 2020) and FedUV (ICML 2021).
- Design a personalized within-client and between-client modality selection algorithm that significantly improves the authentication accuracy from ~75% to ~96%.

# Network Measurement in Social VR (Ongoing)

- Conduct an in-depth measurement study on several social VR platforms.
- Identify all measured platforms facing scalability issues in terms of throughput, end-to-end latency, and on-device computation resource utilization.

Last updated: March 17, 2023. Page 2 of 2

• Design social bots to understand the geographic distribution and usage frequency of users.

Honors	$\operatorname{AND}$
AWARDS	

Best Paper Award, Metabuild@IEEE VR	2022
Student Travel Grant, IEEE VR	2022
Mason Engineers Week Poster Winner, George Mason University	2022

### Services

### Conference Reviewer

• IEEE VR 2022; ACM UbiComp 2022

## Journal Reviewer

• IEEE Network; IEEE Multimedia; SAGE Open

## TECHNICAL SKILLS

**Programming Languages.** Python, C++, C#, JAVA

Deep Learning Frameworks. Pytorch, Keras