Song Zhang

Education

University of Utah Sep. 2022 - Now

PhD in Computing, Computer Graphics Track Salt Lake City, UT

University of Utah Sep. 2020 - May 2022

Master of Science in Computer Science, Computer Graphics Salt Lake City, UT

New York Institute of Technology Sep. 2016 - May 2020

Bachelor of Science in Computer Science New York, NY

Experience

Rendering Engineer May 2024 - July 2024

D5 Render Nanjing, Jiangsu, China

• Worked with real-time engine team on reproducing volumetric ReSTIR.

Research Intern May 2023 - Aug. 2023 NVIDIA Redmond, WA, USA

• Worked with real-time rendering group on path sampling research project to improve rendering quality in games.

• With a specific focus on extending ReSTIR algorithm to better sample high-frequency contents.

Research Assistant Sep. 2022 - Now

Realistic Computer Graphics Group, University of Utah

Salt Lake City, UT, USA

• Working on real-time path tracing research in Dr. Cem Yuksel's Realistic Computer Graphics Group.

Teaching Assistant Jan. 2025 - May 2025 Salt Lake City, UT, USA

Kahlert School of Computing, University of Utah

• Teaching assistant of the graduate course, CS 6610 (Interactive Computer Graphics).

Projects

Null-Scattering Volumetric ReSTIR (preparing to submit) | C++, Falcor, Slang

Aug. 2024

• Extending ReSTIR to null-scattering volumetric methods (e.g. delta tracking, ratio tracking, etc), instead of relying on regular tracking or ray marching methods.

Publications

- 1. Song Zhang*, Daqi Lin*, Markus Kettunen, Cem Yuksel, and Chris Wyman. Area Restir: Resampling for Real-Time Defocus and Antialiasing. ACM Transactions on Graphics (Proceedings of SIGGRAPH 2024), 43(4):98:1–98:13, 07 2024. (*Joint First Authors)
- 2. Song Zhang, Daqi Lin, Chris Wyman and Cem Yuksel. Many-Light Rendering Using ReSTIR-Sampled Shadow Maps. Accepted to Eurographics 2025.

Academic Service

• Journal Reviewer: IEEE Transactions on Visualization and Computer Graphics (TVCG)

Technical Skills

Programming Languages: C/C++, Python

Developer Tools: VS & VS Code, Blender, LaTeX, Git Frameworks: Falcor, Slang, DirectX, OpenGL, CUDA