## George Z. Wei

#### **CURRICULUM VITAE**

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#### Research Interests \_\_\_\_\_

3D/4D reconstruction and video generation, with a focus on bridging synthetic and real-world data to develop robust, generalizable methods for dynamic scene understanding and photorealistic generation.

#### **Education**

#### **Carnegie Mellon University**

M.S. Robotics (Advisor: László A. Jeni)

Pittsburgh, PA

05/26 (expected)

#### **University of Massachusetts Amherst**

B.S. Computer Science & Statistics/Data Science (Advisors: Mohit Iyyer & Ina Fiterau)

• Thesis: Analyzing Low Recall Text-Image Retrieval with LXMERT and CLIP

Amherst, MA

05/22

## Experience \_\_\_\_\_

Adobe Research San Francisco, CA

Research Scientist/Engineer Intern under Krishna Mullia

05/25 - 08/25

- Designed a synthetic turntable pipeline with HDR and high-resolution support for advancing 8K Gaussian Splatting–based 3D reconstruction.
- Achieved an 8% PSNR gain over prior methods, demonstrating significant quality improvements.

FAIR, AI @ Meta Menlo Park, CA

Al Resident under Satwik Kottur

07/22 - 07/24

- Worked on egocentric video-language modeling and long egocentric video understanding.
- Experimented with bootstrapping high-level goals of camera wearers from Ego4D narrations.

#### **Combinatorics and Algorithms for Real Problems REU**

College Park, MD

Research Intern under Prof. John P. Dickerson and Prof. Tom Goldstein

06/21 - 05/22

• Worked on facial detection robustness and facial recognition bias.

### Skills \_\_\_\_\_

**Languages** Python, TypeScript, JavaScript, LTFX, C++, C, HTML

**ML Tools** PyTorch, PyTorch Lightning, HuggingFace, Hydra, submitit, Mephisto, OpenCV

#### **Publications**

#### \* indicates equal contribution

#### 1. MAVERIX: Multimodal Audio-Visual Evaluation Reasoning IndeX

Liuyue Xie\*, **George Z. Wei\***, Avik Kuthiala\*, Ce Zheng, Ananya Bal, Mosam Dabhi, Liting Wen, Taru Rustagi, Ethan Lai, Sushil Khyalia, Rohan Choudhury, Morteza Ziyadi, Xu Zhang, Hao Yang, László A. Jeni. *arXiv.* 2025.

#### 2. Robustness Disparities in Face Detection

Samuel Dooley, **George Z. Wei**, Tom Goldstein, John Dickerson. *Advances in Neural Information Processing Systems*. 2022.

# 3. **Maruna Bot: An Extensible Retrieval-Focused Framework for Task-Oriented Dialogues**Amit Hattimare, Arkin Dharawat, Yelman Khan, Yen-Chieh Lien, Chris Samarinas, **George Z. Wei**, Yulin Yang, Hamed Zamani. *Alexa Prize TaskBot Challenge Proceedings*. 2022.

#### 4. Are Commercial Face Detection Models as Biased as Academic Models?

Samuel Dooley\*, **George Z. Wei\***, Tom Goldstein, John P. Dickerson. *arXiv*. 2022.

#### 5. An Analysis of Low Recall Text-Image Retrieval with LXMERT and CLIP

**George Z. Wei**, Ina Fiterau, Mohit lyyer. *Undergraduate Honors Thesis*. 2021.

#### 6. Comparing Human and Machine Bias in Face Recognition

Samuel Dooley\*, Ryan Downing\*, **George Z. Wei\***, Nathan Shankar, Bradon Thymes, Gudrun Thorkelsdottir, Tiye Kurtz-Miott, Rachel Mattson, Olufemi Obiwumi, Valeriia Cherepanova, Micah Goldblum, John P. Dickerson, Tom Goldstein. *arXiv*. 2021.

## Teaching \_\_\_\_\_

#### **Teaching Assistant**

Robotics Institute
Learning for 3D Vision

#### Carnegie Mellon University

Fall 2025 – Present Fall 2025

#### **Undergraduate Course Assistant**

Manning College of Information and Computer Sciences
Computer Networking
Introduction to Computer Graphics
Introduction to Algorithms
Introduction to Problem Solving with Computers

#### UMass Amherst

Fall 2019 – Spring 2022 Spring 2021 – Spring 2022 Spring 2022 Fall 2020 Fall 2019, Spring 2020

### Relevant Coursework \_\_\_\_\_

#### **Carnegie Mellon University**

Learning for 3D Vision, Learning-Based Image Synthesis, Deep Learning Systems: Algorithms and Implementation, Geometry-based Methods in Vision, Introduction to Robot Learning, Math Fundamentals for Robotics

#### **UMass Amherst**

Intelligent Visual Computing, Advanced NLP, Conversational AI, Machine Learning, Introduction to Partial Differential Equations

<b>Honors and Awa</b>	rds	

Outstanding UCA Award	UMass Amherst
Manning College of Information and Computer Sciences	Fall 2020 – Fall 2021
Computer Networking	Spring 2021, Fall 2021
Introduction to Algorithms	Fall 2020

## Academic Service \_\_\_\_\_\_

#### Reviewer

DSTC11 Track 1	'22
NeurIPS Datasets and Benchmark Track	'22