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ABOUT

Generalist who turns math into products. Built and led world-class engineering teams creating the future of human-computer interaction. Passionate about computer vision, machine learning, and graphics.

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Programming:	C++, C, Python, Rust, Matlab, R, C#, Javascript, Java, SQL, x86/ARM assembly
Frameworks:	Keras, TensorFlow, PyTorch, Numpy, Scipy, Eigen, OpenCV, CUDA, SSE, NEON
Deep Learning:	CNN, RNN, LSTM, GAN, autoencoders, style transfer, deep reinforcement learning
Computer Vision:	Hand recognition, segmentation, 3D reconstruction, tracking, structure from motion, SLAM, optical flow, multi-camera calibration, denoising, computational imaging
Mathematics:	Nonlinear optimization, complex analysis, Bayesian statistics, Kalman filtering
Graphics:	OpenGL, OpenGL ES, GLSL, Vulkan, WebGL, Unity

EXPERIENCE

Redrock Biometrics

San Francisco, CA

Principal Software Engineer

2020 – present

- Implemented rapid scoring mechanism for matching palmprint images against stored user biometrics
- Created automated pipeline to evaluate matching accuracy on large academic and field datasets
- Improved realism of training dataset by generating labels for field data and by refining synthetically rendered images using neural style transfer
- Developed support for hardware designs combining visible and infrared cameras for robustness

Cruise Automation

San Francisco, CA

Senior Software Engineer

2018 – 2019

- Modernized machine learning pipeline for predicting active traffic participants given LIDAR, vision, and radar observations
- Developed a grid-based temporal object tracker using LIDAR which is robust to occlusions, significantly improving accuracy in distinguishing between parked and moving vehicles
- Devised new method of merging and retracing object tracks based on stored observation histories
- Created dashboard and pipeline to summarize aggregate object tracking accuracy. Integrated with CI to allow quick feedback on algorithm development compared to running simulations manually

Leap Motion

San Francisco, CA

Engineering Manager

2014 – 2018

- Hired and led teams of 5-10 developers across hand tracking research, front-end applications and firmware. Worked toward state-of-the-art VR hand tracking running on cheap off-the-shelf hardware
- Unblocked team members to ship features on a tight schedule while keeping technical debt in check
- Provided mentorship on career growth, agile research planning, and software best practices

Principal Software Engineer

2012 – 2018

- Developed key computer vision components in C++ including segmentation, rotation normalization, scale correction, optical flow, non-rigid motion estimation via Kalman filtering, and image denoising
- Wrote the camera calibration library and much of the in-house math and 3D geometry foundation

- Devised the currently used factory and end-user camera calibration techniques. Patented a novel method requiring no fiducials but the device itself and a mirror, allowing anyone to recalibrate
- Worked across entire stack for initial consumer device, and guided customer support team for launch
- Built device firmware and video pipeline, supporting such features as windowing, autoexposure, noise correction, and latency measurement. Brought every new hardware prototype to usable state
- Optimized computationally intensive operations by orders of magnitude using SIMD vectorization
- Developed OpenGL-based visualization engine for live stereo images and 3D reconstructions, which became the company default platform for rapid internal prototyping and profiling of algorithms
- Built “Intro to VR” flagship application to demonstrate hand tracking for first VR developer release
- Created first company prototype of realtime visual-inertial odometry with EKF-based sensor fusion

Altera

Toronto, ON, Canada

Hardware Engineering Intern

2011

- Developed novel algorithm to optimally route logic units on an FPGA given geometric constraints
- Used spatial indexing on the copies of logic elements to dramatically speed up computation
- Introduced new API for writing internal software tools for processing FPGA device blueprints

EDUCATION

University of Waterloo

Waterloo, ON, Canada

B.A.Sc. Nanotechnology Engineering

2007 – 2012

PATENTS

Augmented reality with motion sensing

2019

US Patent 10,349,036 – David S. Holz, Neeloy Roy, Jimmy He

Systems and method of interacting with a virtual object

2018

US Patent 9,911,240 – Raffi Bedikian, Jimmy He, David S. Holz

Biometric aware object detection and tracking

2017

US Patent 9,679,197 – Maxwell Sills, Aaron Smith, David S. Holz, Jimmy He

Calibration of multi-camera devices using reflections thereof

2017

US Patent 9,648,300 – Jimmy He, David S. Holz

Method for synchronizing operation of systems

2016

US Patent 9,348,419 – Ryan C. Julian, Jimmy He, David S. Holz

AWARDS

American Invitational Mathematics Examination

2007

2nd place in North America

CEMC Fermat Mathematics Contest

2006

1st place in Canada