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PERSONAL DETAILS

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INTRODUCTION

I am interested in a broad range of machine learning and computer vision topics. I have in-depth experience in 3D reconstruction and neural image generation.

- Published **9 papers** at top conferences, such as **CVPR, ECCV, and ICLR**, in **2 years of my Master's program**.

- I am the **first author on 7 papers** out of 11 papers.

- My work has over 600 Google Scholar citations, an H-index of 6 in 3 years.

- I maintain GitHub projects with around 1000 stars.

EDUCATION & SERVICE

M.S., Electrical and Computer Engineering   Mar 2020 - Feb 2022
Seoul National University (SNU), Seoul, Korea
Advisor: Prof. Kyoung Mu Lee

Military Service, Sergeant Squad Leader   Mar 2015 - Mar 2017
Air Force, Korea

B.S., Computer Science and Engineering   Mar 2015 - Feb 2020
Seoul National University (SNU), Seoul, Korea

B.S., Business   Mar 2013 - Feb 2020
Seoul National University (SNU), Seoul, SKorea

WORK EXPERIENCE

Samsung AI Center, New York, USA
Research Engineer, June 2022 - Present

Projects I led
- FineControlNet: Fine-level Text Control for Image Generation with Spatially Aligned Text Control Injection
- HandNeRF: Hand-Object Interaction Scene Reconstruction from a Single RGB
- Metric-scale Human Reconstruction from a Single RGB
- Hand Force Estimation from Vision

Other team projects
- User-friendly Floor Plan Generation from Lidar Image
- Manipulation Robot System Development
- Reactive Human Tracking/Following with Mobile Robots

NAVER AI LAB, Seoul, Korea
Visiting Researcher, Mar 2022 - May 2022
- Project: Data Augmentation for 3D Human Pose and Shape Estimation using Image Generation and Pseudo-labeling
- NAVER AI LAB is the largest AI lab in Korea

NAVER LABS Europe, Grenoble, France
Research Intern, Apr 2021 - Oct 2021
- Project: Neural Image Generation for an Arbitrary Person with Implicit Function (NeRF) from a Single RGB Image
  Advisor: Gregory Rogez, Vincent Leroy
- NAVER LABS Europe is a former Xerox Research Centre Europe

Seoul National University, Seoul, Korea
Teaching Assistant, Mar 2019 - Dec 2020
- Lecture: Introduction to Computer Programming

NAVER Webtoon, Seoul, Korea
Software Engineer Intern, Jun 2018 - Aug 2018
- Project: Android App Development for Movie Trailer Play in AR
- NAVER Webtoon has 85.6 million users

Start-Up
Team Leader & Software Engineer, Jul 2017 - Feb 2019
- WebApp Development for Workout Social Media
- Publicly launched at App Store & Google Play Store

PUBLICATIONS (SELECTED)

[1] **Hongsuk Choi** (*), Isaac Kasahara(*), Selim Engin, Moritz Alexander Graule, Nikhil Chavan-Dafle, Volkan Isler (* equal contribution), "FineControlNet: Fine-level Text Control for Image Generation with Spatially Aligned Text Control Injection", submitted to CVPR 2024, [WEBPAGE]

[2] **Hongsuk Choi**, Nikhil Chavan-Dafle, Jiacheng Yuan, Volkan Isler, Hyunsoo Park, "HandNeRF: Learning to Reconstruct Hand-Object Interaction Scene from a Single RGB Image", submitted to ICRA 2024, [ARXIV][CODE] [VIDEO]

[3] **Hongsuk Choi** (*), Hyeongjin Nam (*), Taeryung Lee, Gyeongsik Moon, Kyoung Mu Lee (* equal contribution), "Rethinking Self-Supervised Visual Representation Learning in Pre-training for 3D Human Pose and Shape Estimation", **ICLR 2023**, [ARXIV][VIDEO]

[4] Gyeongsik Moon, **Hongsuk Choi**, Sanghyuk Chun, Jiyoung Lee, Sangdoo Yun, "Three Recipes for Better 3D Pseudo-GTs of 3D Human Mesh Estimation in the Wild", **CVPR 2023 workshop**, [ARXIV][PDF][HOMEPAGE]

[5] **Hongsuk Choi** (*), Gyeongsik Moon (*), Matthieu Armando, Vincent Leroy, Kyoung Mu Lee, Gregory Rogez (* equal contribution), "MonoNHR: Monocular Neural Human Renderer", **3DV 2022**, [ARXIV][VIDEO]

[6] **Hongsuk Choi**, Gyeongsik Moon, Joonkyu Park, and Kyoung Mu Lee, "Learning to

Estimate Robust 3D Human Mesh from In-the-Wild Crowded Scenes", **CVPR 2022**, [ARXIV][CODE]

[7] Gyeongsik Moon, **Hongsuk Choi**, Kyoung Mu Lee, "NeuralAnnot: Neural Annotator for 3D Human Mesh Training Sets", **CVPR 2022 workshop**, [ARXIV][CODE]

[8] Gyeongsik Moon, **Hongsuk Choi**, Kyoung Mu Lee, "Accurate 3D Hand Pose Estimation for Whole-Body 3D Human Mesh Estimation", **CVPR 2022 workshop**, [ARXIV][CODE]

[9] JoonKyu Park (*), Yeonguk Oh (*), Gyeongsik Moon (*), **Hongsuk Choi**, Kyoung Mu Lee (* equal contribution), "HandOccNet: Occlusion-Robust 3D Hand Mesh Estimation Network", **CVPR 2022**, [ARXIV][CODE]

[10] **Hongsuk Choi**, Gyeongsik Moon, Ju Yong Chang, and Kyoung Mu Lee, "Beyond Static Features for Temporally Consistent 3D Human Pose and Shape from a Video", **CVPR 2021**, [ARXIV][VIDEO][CODE]

[11] **Hongsuk Choi** (*), Gyeongsik Moon (*), and Kyoung Mu Lee (* equal contribution), "Pose2Mesh: Graph Convolutional Network for 3D Human Pose and Mesh Recovery from a 2D Human Pose", **ECCV 2020**, [ARXIV][PDF][VIDEO][CODE]

PATENTS

In Process
[1] HandNeRF: RGB-BASED HAND-OBJECT INTERACTION RECONSTRUCTION SYSTEM (Samsung A2 patent)

[2] MonoNHR: THREE DIMENSIONAL RENDERING SYSTEMS AND METHODS FROM MONOCULAR IMAGE (Seoul National University & NAVER patent)

PROJECTS

A Large-scale Dataset for 3D Human Pose and Mesh Estimation   May 2020 - Dec 2020
Dataset link / co-op with SweetK and MotionTechnology

HumanFit: A New Large-scale Dataset for Human Fitness
Evaluation and Feedback   May 2020 - Dec 2020
Dataset link / co-op with SuperbAI, KakaoBrain

Human tracking and counting from Drone images
(Data collection and Model development)   Mar 2019 - May 2019
co-op with Ministry of Science and ICT, Korea

Human Part Segmentation for AI-based Animation Coloring   Mar 2019 - Jun 2019
co-op with NCSOFT

HONORS

Distinguished Master Dissertation Award, Seoul National University, 2022

Selected as a finalist in **Qualcomm Innovation Fellowship Korea**, 2020 & 2021

1st place and **2nd place** at the *without association* track of **3D human pose estimation in the wild (3DPW) challenge**, workshop conjunction with **ECCV 2020** (1st in a joint orientation metric and 2nd in a joint position metric), 2020

1st place at the Qualcomm IT Tour presentation competition held by Qualcomm, proposed AR-based workout coaching system and selected as a winner by Jim Cathey (President of Qualcomm Global Business), 2019

SKILLS

Professional at:
PYTHON, PYTORCH, PYTORCH3D, OPENCV, OPEN3D, PIL,CAMERA CALIBRATION, HUMAN BODY AND HAND MOTION CAPTURE, VICON, 3D VISUALIZATION, PERFORMANCE REPORT, CONVENTIONAL MULTI-VIEW GEOMETRY CV, IMAGE PROCESSING, MACHINE LEARNING, CONVEX OPTIMIZATION, LATEX

Familiar at:
JAVA, JAVASCRIPT, TENSORFLOW, ROS, ANDROID STUDIO, PYTHON SIMULATION, TACTILE FORCE SCANNING, 3D GRAPHICS

SOMETHING DIFFERENT

During my stay in Bristol, UK, I went by Benjamin in an local elementary school. My music taste traverses the globe from American pop to lively J-pop tunes. In college, I embraced my inner rockstar, shredding up the stage with my band as the electric guitar player. Looking to expand my musical repertoire, I picked up the bass guitar this year.