# **Shuoyang Zheng (Jasper)**

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My research interests are situated at the intersection between creative AI (artificial intelligence), machine learning solutions for digital media, digital signal processing.

#### **EDUCATION**

#### **University of the Arts London - Creative Computing Institute**

London, UK

MSc Computing and Creative Industry (Distinction)

Sep. 2021 - Jan. 2023

Key Skills:

Practical experience delivering machine learning solutions for creativity support tools.

Practical experience designing, engineering, training and testing large scale model in *PyTorch, TensorFlow*.

Knowledge of state-of-the-art deep learning model such as VGG, Res-Net, YAMNet, ShuffleNet.

Practical experience in ML related framework such as *OpenCV*, *scikit-learn*, etc.

### **University of Liverpool**

Liverpool, UK

BSc (Hons) Computer Science (First Class)

Sep. 2018 - July. 2021

Key Skills:

Solid knowledge of data structures, object-oriented programming and software engineering principles.

Practical experience in C++, SQL, Javascript, Python.

Knowledge of deep learning based algorithms such as CNN, RNN, SVM, etc.

Knowledge of 3D maths/geometry and practical experience in graphics and game engines such as **p5.js**, **Unity**.

#### **EXPERIENCE**

### **UAL Creative Computing Institute**

London, UK

Associate Lecturer (part time)

June - Sep. 2022

Contributed to lecturing the summer-course on C++ Bootcamp for incoming postgraduate students.

# Beijing Founder Electronics Co. - UI/UX Department

Beijing, China

Front-end Developer (inernship)

June - Sep. 2020

Responsible for developing web application with vanilla Javascript and modern frameworks (React.js and Vue.js)

#### Summer Research Fellowship - Xi'an Jiaotong-Liverpool University

Suzhou, China

Wearable Technology Research Assistant

May. 2018 - Jan. 2019

Developed a wearable electronic solution for posture correction and treatment.

Responsible for conducting user-centred research, building the textile prototype with Arduino.

#### **PROJECTS**

#### Real-time Interface for Human-AI Interaction in GAN Applications - Masters Thesis

London, UK

Developed a novel generative deep learning framework for real-time image-to-image translation, aims to facilitate the human-AI co-creation. Supervised by Prof. Mick Grierson.

May - Nov. 2022

#### **Key Contribution:**

Reviewing state-of-the-art generative models such as StyleGAN, Diffusion Model, Transformers.

Designing architecture for the deep neural network.

Using *CUDA toolkit* to develop optimised training solutions for GPU.

Deploying the clients-server communications via *Flask* and *SocketIO*.

Carrying out qualitative HCI evaluation.

## Sending and Receiving Data using Audible Sound - Undergraduate Thesis

Liverpool, UK

Developed a data-over-sound protocol for low power IoT systems in smart home applications. Supervised by Dr. Thomas Carroll.

Oct. 2020 - May. 2021

**Key Contribution:** 

Designing the *digital signal processing* pipelines for *audio recognition*.

Implementing the framework in Python backend.

Packaging and documenting the library on PyPI.

## A Loop-based Music Studio Application for iOS - Undergraduate Group Project

Liverpool, UK

Jan - June. 2020

Key Contribution:

Conducting UX research to carry out personas and usability testing.

Developing real-time audio processing pipeline with the *Audio Engine API* in *Swift*.

Developed a music-making playground for iOS utilising the AVFAudio framework in Swift.

More projects / Portfolio >>

#### **AWARDS**

### **World Finalists - RESHAPE 18 | SENSING MATERIALITIES**

Barcelona, Spain

Oct. 2018

Entered the top 10 world finalists of RESHAPE 18 product design category.

IT Category Winner - Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowship programme

Suzhou, China

Awarded the 1st prize for a research project on smart textiles.

Aug. 2018

#### SKILLS

Languages Python (3 years' practical experience) - computer vision, generative models, DSP

C++ (2 years' practical experience and 3 month teaching experience)
Web Development (4 years' practical experience) - HTML, JS, CSS

iOS Development - Swift and Objective-C

LaTeX - for publications

Frameworks ML Frameworks - PyTorch, TensorFlow, OpenCV, scikit-learn

Flask & Socket.IO - for real-time ML model deployment

Processing & P5.js

Music DAWs - Ableton Live, Logic Pro, FL Studio

Music Composition and Production - SoundCloud portfolio >>

Other Creative Tools Unity

Unity Arduino

Cinema 4D & Octane Render - portfolio >>

Adobe Creative Suite - graphic design (portfolio on request)

Photography (self-taught) - camera skills (still and moving), lighting, and digital post-production (portfolio

on request)