Jacob E. Snipes

MIX(PHYSICS, GRAPHICS, 0.5)

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Education

University of Pennsylvania School of Engineering and Applied Science

Philadelphia, PA

Master of Science in Engineering, Computer Graphics & Game Technology, 3.67 / 4.00 overall

Exp. May 2019

 Notable Coursework: Interactive Computer Graphics, Physically-Based Animation, Computer Animation, Game Design Practicum, Independent Study: Applications of the Material Point Method

University of Pennsylvania School of Engineering and Applied Science

Philadelphia, PA

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN ENGINEERING, MECHANICAL ENGINEERING & APPLIED MECHANICS, Magna Cum Laude, 3.70 / 4.00 OVERALL

May 2018

- Minor: Computer Science
- · Honors & Awards: Dean's List 2015 2016, 2016 2017, 2017 2018; 2018 John Couloucoundis Prize
- Notable Coursework: Advanced Dynamics, Fluid Mechanics, Solid Mechanics, Mechanics of Materials, Heat & Mass Transfer, Thermodynamics, Linear Algebra, Ordinary & Partial Differential Equations, Vibrations of Mechanical Systems, Data Structures & Algorithms

Skills & Interests

Software Houdini, OpenGL, WebGL, Maya, Unity, Unreal, SolidWorks, AutoCAD, Qt, Git, MATLAB, Excel

Programming Languages C++, GLSL, JavaScript, C#, Java, OCaml **Foreign Languages** French (Fluent), Japanese (Beginner)

Interests Singing, Theatre, Trivia, Photography, Baking, Creative Writing, Video Games

Experience

University of Pennsylvania SIG Center for Computer Graphics

Philadelphia, PA

RESEARCH INTERN: PHYSICALLY-BASED ANIMATION

May 2018 - Aug. 2018

- · Wrote physically-based wind simulator under Dr. Chenfanfu Jiang to interface with Unity VR data visualization project
- Built in C++ and rendered with Houdini
- · Features: Species concentration advection, mass diffusion, reverse-time solver, travel time calculation, velocity field visualization, data I/O

SlothparadiseRemote

AR Developer - Duel Monsters GO for Hololens

Aug. 2017 - Dec. 2017

- Created JSON card database, allowing game to automatically check card stats (type, attribute, level, etc.) via C# scripting
- Added support for ydk files using C#, allowing players to easily create custom decks

University of Pennsylvania

Philadelphia, PA May 2017 - Aug. 2017

• Animated various real-world problems for use as teaching tools in Statics and Strength of Materials (MEAM 210) using Maya and SolidWorks

- Created videos in iMovie detailing 3D analysis of class's most difficult concepts using animation as a means of visualization
- Narrated videos, explaining the concepts to hundreds of students seeing them for the first time

Projects_____

LifeWatch

3D ANIMATOR

THE FIRST WEARABLE AUTO-INJECTOR (PATENT PENDING)

Sept. 2017 - May 2018

- Collaborated in team of six to design, test, and manufacture wearable auto-injector in watch-shaped profile
- · Served as project manager, overseeing all areas of development: design, timeline, budget, external funding, and document editing
- Winner of First Prize at University of Pennsylvania's 2018 SEAS Senior Design Competition and 2018 M&T Summit
- Winner of Third Prize at 2018 BMEidea competition

Smoke & Renders

PHYSICALLY-BASED EULERIAN FLUID SIMULATOR

May 2018

- Built in C++ and rendered with Houdini
- · Features: Velocity/density/temperature advection, multiple source smoke generation, vorticity confinement, pressure projection

Organic FEMistry

Physically-based deformable solid simulator using the Finite Element Method

Mar. 2018

- Built in C++ and rendered with Houdini in team of four
- · Notable features: Mesh tetrahedralization using TetGen, Neo-Hookean elasticity model, rigid-body collision detection, holonomic constraints
- Contributions: Hand calculations using Lagrange's equations, constraint implementation, collision handling, debugging, rendering