Zikai Liu

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### **Education**

2017–2021 University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, BSc in Computer Engineering

Zhejiang University, BEng in Electronics and Computer Engineering

• Dual Bachelor's degrees. GPA 3.93/4.00. Highest Honor.

2021–Present ETH Zurich, MSc in Computer Science

• Major in Data Management Systems. Current GPA 5.61/6.00.

Selected Courses Computer System Engineering, Microarchitecture, Operating Systems, Compiler,

Automated Software Testing, Machine Learning, Cloud Computing Architecture.

# Experience

2018–2021 **ZJU-UIUC Robotics Team,** Control Group Lead & Project Manager/Vision Group Lead

• Led the development of embedded control programs, parameter tuning utilities, and a vision-assisted automatic aiming system for combat robots, in C/C++ and Python.

· Scheduled development timeline and arranged meetings as the project manager.

Fall 2020 **ZJU-UIUC Joint Institute**, Teaching Assistant

 Organized lab sessions and assignments, and deployed an automatic feedback system (KLC3 below) for sophomore students of the ECE220 Fall 2020 ZJUI session.

2020.6–2020.8 **NetEase Games,** Platform Engineer Intern

 Developed a driver module and GUI to manage various joysticks through a unified interface, providing plug-and-play user experience on the NetEase android emulator.

## **Projects**

Fall 2022 End-to-End In-Hand 3D Scanning System on Mixed Reality Headsets

 Developed a system for near-real-time 3D scanning and reconstruction for irregular geometries, using the depth camera on Microsoft HoloLens 2.

Summer 2022 Virtualize Linux on seL4 for Enzian System

 Developed Linux VM on seL4 (a formally verified microkernel) for Enzian, a research server-class CPU/FPGA computer developed at the ETH Systems Group.

2020–2021 KLC3 Symbolic Execution Engine

 A symbolic execution engine for LC-3 (an educational assembly) based on KLEE for automatic bug detection and test case generation, written in C/C++.

 Used to provide automatic end-to-end feedback to 100+ sophomore students for their LC-3 assignments in Fall 2020. Got uniformly positive survey responses.

Spring 2021 Wireless Charging Desk with Vision-Assisted Automatic Alignment

• Designed and implemented a desk that automatically aligns wireless charging coils with devices using a mechanical system and computer vision.

· Senior design team project. We got the Most Interdisciplinary Project Award.

#### Fall 2020 Pipelined RISC-V Processor Design Project

 Designed and simulated a 5-stage pipelined RV32I processor with parameterized caches, tournament branch predictions, and a prefetcher, written in SystemVerilog.

#### Spring 2020 BoxHead Video Game on FPGA

 Developed a game on FPGA combining hardware and software. Wrote VGA driver, SRAM controller, hardware graphic engine in SystemVerilog, and game logic in C.

#### Fall 2019 x86 Operating System Development Project

- Designed and simulated an i386 OS with kernel functions, a scheduler with waitlists, SVGA driver with hardware acceleration, and GUI, written in C and assembly.
- Our team got a prize at the UIUC ECE391 design competition :)

#### Fall 2019 UWB Indoor Positioning System Project

 Designed and analyzed a high-accuracy (~20cm) indoor positioning system using Decawave UWB development boards. CS498IoT team project.

## **Publications**

**Zikai Liu**, Tingkai Liu, Qi Li, Wenqing Luo, Steven S. Lumetta, "End-to-End Automation of Feedback on Student Assembly Programs," *36th ACM/IEEE International Conference on Automated Software Engineering (ASE)*, November 2021.

**Zikai Liu**, "Using Concolic Execution to Provide Automatic Feedback on LC-3 Programs," Senior Thesis, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, June 2021.

### **Presentations**

**Zikai Liu**, Steven S. Lumetta, "Caching Results from KLEE's Independent Solver," 2nd KLEE Workshop, June 2021.

**Zikai Liu**, <u>Tingkai Liu</u>, Qi Li, Wenqing Luo, Steven S. Lumetta, "Timely Feedback on Assembly Assignments Using KLEE," *2nd KLEE Workshop*, June 2021.

## **Activities**

#### 2018–2019 Campus New Media Center, Vice Minister of Vision Department

Organized department recruitment, training and photography activities.

#### 2019-2020 Campus Art and Creative Studio, Founding Member

Participated in designing, manufacturing and selling of art products.