# Zhong Li

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RESEARCH INTERESTS Vision and Graphics related field. 3D Non-rigid Dynamic Human Shape Reconstruction, Free-viewpoint and 3D Video, Dynamic Mesh Sequences Compression.

EDUCATION

University of Delaware, Newark, Delaware

Ph.D, Computer Science, Winter 2019

• Advisors: Jingyi Yu, Ph.D

University of Missouri, Columbia, Missouri

M.S, Computer Science, Summer 2015

• Master Thesis: 3D Face Reconstruction Via Consumer Depth Camera

• Advisor: Ye Duan, Ph.D

INDUSTRIAL EXPERIENCE

## OPPO US Research Center, Palo Alto, CA, USA

Senior Research Scientist

March 2019 - Present

- Lead on-device real-time TOF/RGB human pose estimation project. Design a pipeline from data acquisition, model algorithm development, evaluation, on-device deployment API running on DSP or ARM. (Snapdragon Neural Processing Engine SDK)
- Lead human digitization from single image project. Responsible for the core algorithm design and implementation.

## DGene US Research, Santa Clara, CA, USA

Graphics & Vision Research Intern

Feb 2017 - Aug 2017

- Develop an algorithm combine Poisson Reconstruction and Visual Hull to improve multiple-view stereo reconstruction.
- Participate to build a multi-camera dome for dynamic object capturing for AR/VR Applications. The applied algorithms including Camera Calibration, Structure from Motion, Multiple-View Stereo Reconstruction.

Professional Activities

- Program Committee Member and reviewer for Conferences: AAAI 2020
- Journal Reviewer: Experimental Techniques

US PATENT

• Li, Zhong, and Jason Chieh-sheng Yang. "Dynamic local temporal-consistent textured mesh compression." U.S. Patent Application No. 15/898,127.

#### Publications

- 1. **Zhong Li**, Yu Ji, Jingyi Yu, and Jinwei Ye. "3D Fluid Flow Reconstruction Using Compact Light Field PIV" accepted by European Conference on Computer Vision (ECCV), 2020.
- 2. Lele Chen, Guofeng Cui, Celong Liu, **Zhong Li**, Ziyi Kou, Yi Xu, and Chenliang Xu. "Talking-head Generation with Rhythmic Head Motion" accepted by European Conference on Computer Vision (ECCV), 2020.
- 3. Celong Liu, Zhong Li, Shuxue Quan, and Yi Xu. "Lighting Estimation via Differentiable Screen-Space Rendering." In 2020 IEEE Conference on Virtual Reality and 3D User Interfaces Abstracts and Workshops (VRW), pp. 575-576. IEEE, 2020.
- Wei Yang, Yingliang Zhang, Jinwei Ye, Yu Ji, Zhong Li, Mingyuan Zhou, Jingyi Yu. "Structure from Motion on XSlit Cameras". accepted by IEEE Transactions on Pattern Analysis and Machine Intelligence (TPAMI), 2019
- 5. **Zhong Li**, Lele Chen, Celong Liu, Yu Gao, Yuanzhou Ha, Chenliang Xu, Shuxue Quan, Yi Xu. "3D Human Avatar Digitization from a Single Image". accepted by ACM SIGGRAPH International Conference on Virtual Reality Continuum and Its Applications in Industry (ACM VRCAI), 2019. Oral presentation. Best Paper Award.
- 6. **Zhong Li**, Xin Chen, Wang Yiteng Zhou, Yingliang Zhang, Jingyi Yu. "Pose2Body: Pose-Guided Human Parts Segmentation." accepted by IEEE Conference on on Multimedia and Expo (ICME), 2019. **Oral presentation**
- 7. **Zhong Li**, Minye Wu, Wang Yiteng Zhou, Jingyi Yu. "4D Human Body Correspondences from Panoramic Depth Maps." accepted by IEEE Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR), 2018.
- 8. **Zhong Li**, Yu Ji, Wei Yang, Jinwei Ye, Jingyi Yu. "Robust 3D Human Motion Reconstruction Via Dynamic Template Construction." accepted by International Conference on 3D Vision (3DV), 2017. **Spotlight Oral presentation**
- 9. Yingliang Zhang, **Zhong Li**, Wei Yang, Peihong Yu, Haiting Lin, Jingyi Yu. "The Light Field 3D Scanner." accepted by IEEE International Conference on Computational Photography (ICCP), 2017. **Oral presentation**

ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE Graphics & Imaging Laboratory, University of Delaware, Newark, USA
Research Assistant
Sep 2015 - Present
Working on several projects related to 3D Computer Vision and Graphics

#### • 3D Human Body Non-Rigid Reconstruction

In multi-view human body capture systems, the recovered 3D geometry or even the acquired imagery data can be heavily corrupted due to occlusions, noise, limited field-of-view, etc. We present a graph-based non-rigid shape registration framework that can simultaneously recover 3D human body geometry and estimate pose/motion at high fidelity.

### • 4D Dynamic Human Mesh Compression

The availability of affordable 3D full body reconstruction systems has given rise to free-viewpoint video (FVV) of human shapes. Most existing solutions produce temporally uncorrelated point clouds or meshes with unknown vertex correspondences. Individually compressing each frame is ineffective and still yields to ultra-large data sizes. We present an end-to-end deep learning scheme to establish dense shape correspondences and subsequently compress the data.

### • Human Body Semantic Segmentation.

We developed a novel technique that we call Pose2Body that robustly conducts human parts segmentation based on the pose estimation results. We partition an image into superpixels and set out to assign a segment label to each superpixel most consistent with the pose. We design special feature vectors for every superpixel-label assignment as well as superpixel-superpixel pairs and model optimal labeling as to solve for a conditional random field (CRF).

### • Light Field 3D Scanner

We present a novel light field structure-from-motion (SfM) framework for reliable 3D object reconstruction. Specifically, we use the light field (LF) camera such as Lytro and Raytrix as a virtual 3D scanner.

CG & Image Understanding Lab, University of Missouri, Columbia, USA
Completed the Master Thesis Feb 2013 - June 2015

• 3D Face Reconstruction and Tracking Using SIFT Iterative Closest Points By Consumer Depth Camera

Develop an automatic 3D face reconstruction and pose estimation framework using consumer depth camera

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- 15 fall: CISC 106 GEN COMPUTER SCIEN FOR ENGNR
- 16 spring: CISC 220 DATA STRUCTURE

#### EXPERTISE

Computer Graphics, 3D Computer Vision, 3D Reconstruction, Deep Learning, Computational Photography, Image Processing,

### Honors and Awards

Professional Development Award, University of Delaware, 2018.

**Best Paper Award**, ACM VRCAI 2019(ACM SIGGRAPH International Conference on Virtual Reality Continuum and Its Applications in Industry.)

Best Poster Award, SSIST 2018(ShanghaiTech Symposium on Information Science and Technology)

Excellent Undergraduate Thesis Award, Hunan University of Sci and Tech, 2012

#### TECHNICAL SKILLS

- Programming Languages: C/C++, Matlab, Python, PHP, Mysql.
- Applications: OpenCV, OpenGL, EIGEN, VCG library, CGAL, LATEX, Autodesk 3Ds Max, Autodesk Maya, Pytorch, Agisoft, Paraview.
- Operating Systems: Unix/Linux, Windows.