

Research Interests

Understanding and enhancing the interaction between humans, robots, and physical environments.

Education

University of California, Los Angeles

Ph.D. in Human-Computer Interaction

• **Advisor:** Xiang ‘Anthony’ Chen

Los Angeles, USA

Sep 2018 - Current

University of California, Los Angeles

M.S. in Mechanical Engineering

Los Angeles, USA

Sep 2017 - Sep 2018

Shanghai Jiao Tong University

B.S. in Naval Architecture and Marine Engineering

Shanghai, China

Sep 2013 - Jun 2017

Publication

IN PREPARATION

- [9] **Jiahao “Nick” Li**, Yan Xu, Tovi Grossman, Stephanie Santosa, Michelle Li. OmniActions: Understanding and Predicting Follow-up Actions on Multimodal Information Using Large Language Models. *Submitted to UIST 2023*
- [8] Xingyu “Bruce” Liu, **Jiahao “Nick” Li**, Siyou Pei, Xiuxiu Yuan, David Kim, Xiang ‘Anthony’ Chen, Ruofei Du. Human I/O: Towards Comprehensive Detection of Situational Impairments in Everyday Activities. *Submitted to UIST 2023*.
- [7] **Jiahao “Nick” Li***, Toby Chong*, Zhongyi Zhou, Hironori Yoshida, Koji Yatani, Xiang ‘Anthony’ Chen, Takeo Igarashi. RoCap: A Robotic Pipeline for Collecting Dataset of Appearance-changing Objects Pose Estimation. *Submitted to UIST 2023*
- [6] **Jiahao “Nick” Li**, Ruolin Wang, Li-Yi Wei, Rubaiat Habib Kazi, Stephen DiVerdi, Xiang ‘Anthony’ Chen. RealityPlay: Authoring Interactive and Embedded Graphics Driven by Everyday Objects with User-defined Mappings. *Submitted to SIGGRAPH 2023 Conference Track*.

FULL PAPER

- [5] Xiaoying Yang, Jacob Sayono, Jess Xu, **Jiahao “Nick” Li**, Josiah Hester, Yang Zhang. MiniKers: Interaction-Powered Smart Environment Automation. *In Proceedings of the ACM on Interactive, Mobile, Wearable and Ubiquitous Technologies (IMWUT), Volume 6 Issue 3, September. 2022*.
- [4] **Jiahao “Nick” Li**, Alexis Samoylov, Jeeun Kim, Xiang ‘Anthony’ Chen. Roman: Making Everyday Objects Robotically Manipulable with 3D-printable Add-on Mechanisms. *Proc. ACM CHI 2022*.
- [3] Abul Al Arabi, **Jiahao “Nick” Li**, Xiang ‘Anthony’ Chen, Jeeun Kim. Mobyot: Augmenting everyday objects into moving IoT devices using 3D printed attachments generated by demonstration. *Proc. ACM CHI 2022*.
- [2] **Jiahao “Nick” Li**, Meilin Cui, Jeeun Kim, Xiang ‘Anthony’ Chen. Romeo: A Design Tool for Embedding Transformable Parts in 3D Models to Robotically Augment Default Functionality. *Proc. ACM UIST 2020*.
- [1] **Jiahao “Nick” Li**, Jeeun Kim, Xiang ‘Anthony’ Chen. Robiot: A Design Tool for Actuating Everyday Objects with Automatically Generated 3D Printable Mechanisms. *Proc. ACM UIST 2019*.

PREPRINTS

- [P2] Zhaoliang Zheng, **Jiahao “Nick” Li**, Parth Agrawal, Ethan Uetrecht, Zhao Lei, Joseph Prince Mathew, Dinesh Kumar Karri, Ankur Mehta. User Design Parameters Based Design and Evaluation System for Indoor Airships. *Arxiv*.
- [P1] Erva Ulu, Nurcan Gecer Ulu, **Jiahao “Nick” Li** and Walter Hsiao. Curvy: An Interactive Design Tool for Varying Density Support Structures. *Arxiv*.

POSTER & EXTENDED ABSTRACT & WORKSHOP

- [W3] **Jiahao “Nick” Li**, Meilin, Cui, Jeeun Kim, Xiang ‘Anthony’ Chen. Romeo: A Design Tool for Embedding Transformable Parts in 3D Models to Robotically Augment Default Functionality. *Demo at ACM UIST 2020 and Poster at ACM UIST 2022*.
- [W2] **Jiahao “Nick” Li**, Jeeun Kim, Xiang ‘Anthony’ Chen. Robiot: A Design Tool for Actuating Everyday Objects with Automatically Generated 3D Printable Mechanisms. *Demo in ACM UIST 2019*.
- [W1] Ruolin Wang, Yuqi Tang, Hsuan Wei Fan, **Jiahao “Nick” Li**, Xiang ‘Anthony’ Chen. AuxiScope: Improving Awareness Surroundings for People with Tunnel Vision. *UIST Student Innovation Competition, October 2019*.

Professional Experience

Meta Reality Labs

Research Intern

Toronto, Canada

Dec 2022 - Apr 2023

- **Research Mentors:** Tovi Grossman, Yan Xu
- Working on topics related to multimodal interaction in Augmented Reality.

Igarashi Lab at University of Tokyo

Visiting Ph.D. Student

Tokyo, Japan

Jun 2022 - Oct 2022

- **Faculty Supervisor:** Takeo Igarashi, **Collaborators:** Koji Yatani, Hironori Yoshida
- Worked on a project utilizing robotic arm for the data collection for object 6D pose estimation tasks.

Adobe Research

Research Intern

Los Angeles (Remote), USA

Jun 2021 - Sep 2021

- **Research Mentors:** Li-Yi Wei, Rubaiat Habib Kazi, Stephen DiVerdi
- Worked on developing an interactive authoring tool for virtual-real object interaction.

PARC, A Xerox Company

Research Intern

Palo Alto, USA

Jun 2019 - Sep 2019

- **Research Mentors:** Erva Ulu, Nurcan Ulu
- Worked on developing a new type of supporting materials structure.

Press Coverage

- Robiot** *New Scientist*, Turn any object into a robot using this program and a 3D printer. 2019
- Hackster News*, Robiot Is a Design Tool That Generates Mechanisms to Motorize Everyday Objects. 2019
- Fabbaloo*, Robiot Can Automatically Design Handy Household Machines. 2019

Service

Program Committee ACM CHI LBW 2020, 2021

Reviewer ACM UIST 2020-2023; ACM CHI 2020-2023; SIGGRAPH 2023 Poster