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**Education** Stanford University

CA, USA

Ph.D. Candidate in Computer Science Advisor: Prof. Leonidas Guibas Sept 2019 – present

**National University of Singapore** 

Singapore

Master of Computing (Computer Science); CAP: 4.58/5.0

Aug 2017-Jul 2018

Scholarship: NUS Graduate Scholarship for ASEAN Nationals (full masters scholarship)

Hong Kong University of Science and Technology

Hong Kong

BSc. in Mathematics and Computer Science

Sept 2013-Aug 2017

CGA: 3.84/4.3; CS CGA: 4.16/4.3; First Class Honors

Scholarship: HKSAR Government Targeted Scholarship (full 4-year university scholarship)

**Publications** 

Point2Cyl: Reverse Engineering 3D Objects from Point Clouds to Extrusion Cylinders

Mikaela Angelina Uy\*, Yen-yu Chang\*, Minhyuk Sung, Purvi Goel, Joseph Lambourne, Tolga

Birdal, Leonidas Guibas

CVPR 2022.

Joint Learning of 3D Shape Retrieval and Deformation

Mikaela Angelina Uy, Vladimir G. Kim, Minhyuk Sung, Noam Aigerman, Siddhartha Chaudhiri,

Leonidas Guibas

Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR), 2021.

Website: https://joint-retrieval-deformation.github.io

Deformation-Aware 3D Shape Embedding and Retrieval

Mikaela Angelina Uy, Jingwei Huang, Minhyuk Sung, Tolga Birdal, Leonidas Guibas

European Conference on Computer Vision (ECCV), 2020.

Website: https://deformscan2cad.github.io

LCD: Learned Cross-Domain Descriptors for 2D-3D Matching

Quang-Hieu Pham, Mikaela Angelina Uy, Binh-Son Hua, Duc Thanh Nguyen, Sai-Kit Yeung

AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence (AAAI), 2020. Oral

Website: https://hkust-vgd.github.io/lcd/

Revisiting Point Cloud Classification: A New Benchmark Dataset and Classification Model on

Real-World Data

Mikaela Angelina Uy, Quang-Hieu Pham, Binh-Son Hua, Duc Thanh Nguyen, Sai-Kit Yeung

International Conference of Computer Vision (ICCV), 2019. Oral

Website: https://hkust-vgd.github.io/scanobjectnn/

PointNetVLAD: Deep Point Cloud Based Retrieval for Large-Scale Place Recognition

Mikaela Angelina Uy and Gim Hee Lee

Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR), 2018.

Website: https://github.com/mikacuy/pointnetvlad.git

Work Experiences Autodesk AI Lab Research Intern San Francisco, USA (Remote)

Jun 2021-Sept 2021

Learning and understanding of 3D CAD and solid models

Mentors: Joseph Lambourne, Leonidas Guibas

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#### **Adobe Research**

Seattle, USA (Remote)

Research Intern

Jun 2020-Sept 2020

- 3D shape deformation techniques and parametric model understanding
- Mentors: Vladimir G. Kim, Minhyuk Sung, Noam Aigerman, Siddhartha Chaudhuri

#### **Hong Kong University of Science and Technology**

Hong Kong

Research Assistant

Sept 2018-Jun 2019

- 3D scene understanding and point cloud learning using deep learning techniques
- Supervisor: Prof. Sai-Kit Yeung

#### ePropulsion

Songshan Lake, China

Research and Development Intern

Jun-Aug 2016

- Computer vision, machine learning and image processing
- Project: Underwater diver detector over a video feed that is to be implemented on an underwater robot. (Start-up is currently called Navatics)

#### Jane Street Capital

Hong Kong/New York, USA

Trader Intern

Jun-Aug 2015

• Designed and developed tools to perform data analysis and to identify trading opportunities for the exchange trade funds (ETF) and commodities desks

#### **Teaching**

## **Computer Graphics: Geometric Modeling/Processing (CS 348a)**

Winter 2021

Teaching Assistant, Stanford

 Taught recitation class once a week, held office hours twice a week, and graded all exams, homeworks and projects in the class.

#### **Introduction to Computer Science (COMP 1021)**

Hong Kong

Lab Assistant, HKUST

Sept-Dec 2014

• Taught in lab sessions of the introductory class in Python.

#### Awards

#### School of Engineering Fellowship, Stanford University

2019-2020

### **HKSAR Government Targeted Scholarship**

2013-2017

• Full university scholarship that is awarded to up to 10 students each year by the Hong Kong government awarded based on academic and leadership performance.

#### **NUS Graduate Scholarship for ASEAN Nationals**

2017-2018

• Full masters scholarship that is non-binding, financed by the People of Singapore and the University that is awarded on a competitive basis.

#### International Mathematical Olympiad (IMO) Bronze Medalist

2012, 2013

#### Epsilon Fund Award, HKUST Mathematics Department

2017

• The Epsilon Fund Award is established with donations from faculty to honor mathematics students, who excel in mathematical scholarship and research.

# Google Women Techmakers Scholarship; Asia Pacific

2016

- Given to a group of female undergraduate and graduate students from around Asia Pacific, who are awarded based on academic background and demonstrated leadership.
- Sponsored to Google I/O 2017 in Mountain View, California last May 2017.

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Talent Development Scholarship, HKSAR Government Scholarship Fund	2016
Lee Hysan Foundation Exchange Scholarship	2016
Philippine Mathematical Olympiad 1st runner-up	2012, 2013
Raffles Mathematical Olympiad, Silver Medalist, Singapore	2012

**Services** 

Reviewer: SIGGRAPH '22, CVPR '22, ECCV '22, ICCV '21, BMVC '20/'21, TVCG

#### **Volunteer Competitive Math Trainor**

**Philippines** 

Trained the PH IMO Team '17-'20; PH team leader for various elementary Math Olympiads

#### **Projects**

# **Interpretable & Actionable Models using Attribute & Uncertainty Information**

Autumn 2019

- CS229 (Machine Learning) course project
- Deep-learning models can be difficult to understand and control intuitively due to the black-box nature of these models. However, such lack of interpretability and human actionability in the models' decision processes make it difficult to trust these models in critical applications that affect the lives of people. We propose to alleviate these problems through the use of attribute and uncertainty models in deep networks.

Master's Thesis Aug 2017–May 2018

 Posed the problem of place recognition as a point cloud retrieval problem using deep learning, leveraging on illumination and seasonal invariance of point clouds which is a known problem in image-based place recognition. (CVPR 2018 accepted paper)

#### **Bachelor's Thesis (Underwater Robotics Vision)**

Jul 2016-May 2017

- Advised by Prof. Chi-Keung Tang
- Studied the performance of real-time object detection models, both using handcrafted features and deep learning networks, for underwater diver detection in robotics applications.

#### **Smart Shirt & Smart App**

Oct-Nov 2015

- First Runner-Up- The Hong Kong Designation 2015
- Developed a prototype of a smart shirt to detect human posture connected to an Android app.

# HKUST Robotics Team, Remotely Operated Vehicle (ROV) Sub team

Software Engineer

Dec 2014- Dec 2015

- **Overall 3rd Place** (Explorer Class) 14th Annual MATE International Underwater Robotics Competition in *St John's, Newfoundland and Labrador, Canada*
- Asia Champion in 2015 MATE Asia Regional Underwater Robotics Competition
- Built the main control software of the ROV and Qt GUI's for the competition runs.
- The team was composed of 15 engineers who built and designed the ROV from scratch

Technical Skills Python, C/C++, Unix, Tensorflow, Pytorch, MATLAB, OpenCV,

ROS, microcontroller programming

**Sports** HKUST Women's Football Team Member; Frisbee; Scuba Diving

Languages Native: English, Filipino, Hokkien; Proficient: Mandarin; Basic: Cantonese, German