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Research Interests

Computer Graphics Computational Design, Digital Fabrication, Machine Learning for Visual Design

Information Visualization Colormap/Layout Optimization **Information Hiding** Visual Cryptography, Secret Sharing

Education

Japan Advanced Institute of Science and Technology

Japan

Ph.D. IN KNOWLEDGE SCIENCE

Apr. 2016 - PRESENT

· Advisor: Kazunori Miyata

Japan Advanced Institute of Science and Technology

Japan

M.S. IN KNOWLEDGE SCIENCE Apr. 2009 - Mar. 2011

- Thesis: Interactive Procedural Modeling of Pebble Mosaics
- Advisor: Kazunori Miyata

Kanazawa University

B.S. IN SCIENCE Apr. 2005 - Mar. 2009

- Thesis: FM-AFM in an environment-controlled atmosphere
- · Advisor: Toyoko Arai

Experience _

READi Design Lab, L'École de design Nantes Atlantique

France

RESEARCHER (INTERNSHIP)

Feb. 2017 - Nov. 2017

- Developed an immersive data visualization application in a VR environment (a joint research project with Polytech Nantes).
- Advisor: Grégoire Cliquet
- Founded by JAIST Grant for Off-Campus Research

JAIST-DNIC (Dependable Network Innovation Center)

PROJECT RESEARCHER

Aug. 2013 - Mar. 2016

• Developed a skill map for CYDER (CYber Defense Exercise with Recurrence) project hosted by Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications

Kanazawa Medical University

COLLABORATIVE RESEARCHER

• Developed an NRBCs (Nucleated Red Blood Cell) autodetect system for non-invasive fetal DNA diagnosis from maternal blood.

Allied Telesis Research Institute, Ltd.

SOFTWARE ENGINEER

Feb. 2015 - Oct. 2015

- Developed an in-house web service in Scala/Play Framework.
- Developed an e-learning system in Moodle and a cyber security lecture course on it.

Japan

RESEARCH ASSISTANT Apr. 2012 - Mar. 2013

IPA MITOH Program

PROJECT LEADER Feb. 2012 - Aug. 2012

• Funded for half a year as a project leader of an exploratory IT Human Resources Project (THE MITOH Program), and developed a discrete element texture generation application.

Publications (Peer-Reviewed)

- N. Kita and K. Miyata, "Cube Art", ACM SIGGRAPH Asia 2016 Posters, Macao
- N. Kita and K. Miyata, "Aesthetic Rating and Color Suggestion for Color Palettes", Computer Graphics Forum (Pacific Graphics 2016), Okinawa, Japan
- N. Kita and K. Miyata, "Multi-class anisotropic blue noise sampling for discrete element pattern generation", The Visual Computer (CGI'16), Heraklion, Crete, Greece
- N. Kita and K. Miyata, "Interactive procedural modeling of pebble mosaics", ACM SIGGRAPH Asia 2011 Sketches, HongKong
- N. Kita and K. Miyata, "A rule-based method for generating bookshelf models", ACM SIGGRAPH Asia 2010 Posters, Seoul

K. Ishibashi, T.-D. Luz, R. Eynard, N. Kita, N. Jian, H. Segi, K. Terada, K. Fujita and K. Miyata, "Spider Hero", Laval Virtual Revolution 2010, An.3, Laval, France

K. Ishibashi, T.-D. Luz, R. Eynard, N. Kita, N. Jian, H. Segi, K. Terada, K. Fujita and K. Miyata, "Spider Hero: A VR application using pulling force feedback system", VRCAI2009, Session 7, Tokyo

Honors & Awards

- 2016 Outstanding Poster Award, JAIST HLD International Symposium 2016
- 2011 Outstanding Performance Students Award, JAIST
- 2011 Best Paper Award, 10th NICOGRAPH Spring
- 2010 Campus Genius Award SILVER (Interactive), 15th Campus Genius Award

Skills_

Programming Languages Python, Ruby, C++, C#, Go, Julia, Java, JavaScript
Platforms/Frameworks
Languages Unity, OpenFrameworks, Cinder, Processing
Japanese (Native), English (Intermediate)