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Curriculum Vitae

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Education

- 2015–now **Ph.D., Computer Science and Engineering**, *University of Washington*, Seattle, WA, US.
◦ Advised by **Steven M. Seitz** and **Jason Lawrence** in *UW Reality Lab*.
- 2011–2015 **B.S., Computer Science and Technology**, *Shanghai Jiao Tong University (SJTU)*, China.
Program **ACM Honored Class** (a pilot computer science class in China), Zhiyuan College
- 9.2014–2.2015 **Visiting Scholar**, *National University of Singapore*, Singapore.
- 7.2014 **Exchange Student**, *Cornell University*, Ithaca, NY, US.

Work Experience

- 2017 summer **Research Intern**, *Disney Research*, Zurich, Switzerland.
Worked on face performance capture with Thabo Beeler, Derek Bradley, Matthias Niessner and Paulo Gotardo.
- 2016 summer **Software Engineering Intern**, *Google Daydream*, Seattle, WA, USA.
Worked with Jason Lawrence on utilizing spatial-temporal consistency to denoise 3D models.

Skills

- Languages C++, Python, Matlab, Java, HTML, \LaTeX , MySQL, C#, PHP, Verilog, OpenGL, TinyOS
- Tools Unity, Photoshop

Research Interests

Augmented/Virtual Reality *Novel View Synthesis, Computational Display*
Computer Vision *Inpainting, Stereo Matching, Deep Learning, Face Performance Capture*
Graphics

Honors and Awards

- 2018 **Pepper's Cone highlighted in "Demo Hour" of ACM Interactions Magazine** [link](#)
- 2018 **Press coverage for Pepper's Cone: Hacker News, iProgrammer, Hack a Day**
- 2015 **Distinguished Graduate Scholarship, SJTU** *Top 1%*
- 2015 **Shanghai Outstanding Graduate** *Top 1%*
- 2013 **National Scholarship, China** *Highest scholarship in China, top 1%*
- 2012 **Kai Yuan Scholarship, SJTU** *Top 2%*

Publications

Xuan Luo, Jason Lawrence, Steven M. Seitz. "Pepper's Cone: An Inexpensive Do-It-Yourself 3D Display". UIST, 2017.

Min Lin, Shuo Li, **Xuan Luo**. "Purine: A Graph-based Deep Learning Framework". International Conference on Learning Representations (ICLR), 2015.

Xuejiao Bai, **Xuan Luo**, Shuo Li. "Adaptive Stereo Matching via Loop-erased Random Walk". IEEE International Conference on Image Processing (ICIP), 2014.

Research Experience

Novel View Synthesis

Advisor Steven M. Seitz, Jason Lawrence, Ricardo Martin Brualla, University of Washington & Google

2.2017-3.2019 **Visualizing History in 3D.**

Is it possible to see Mark Twain in 3D with full 6 degree-of-freedom? We collected a big dataset of historical stereographs called KeystoneDepth and enabled visualizing tons of historical scenes in 6 DoF.

Computational Display

Advisor Steven M. Seitz, Jason Lawrence, University of Washington, US

10.2015-4.2017 **Pepper's Cone**, UIST 2017, <https://roxanneluo.github.io/PeppersCone.html>.

Fold a piece of plastic sheet into a cone. Together with your tablet, you can build the Pepper's Cone to observe the "hologram" of your 3D scene in a fun and compelling way.

Stereo Matching

Advisor Hongtao Lu, Center for Brain-like Computing and Machine Intelligence, SJTU, China

8.2013-1.2014 **Adaptive Stereo Matching via Loop-erased Random Walk, ICIP 2014**, <http://bcmi.sjtu.edu.cn/~luoxuan/papers/icip2014.pdf>.

I proposed to use a random tree generated by Loop-erased Random Walk (LERW) to replace traditional minimum spanning tree in non-local methods. LERW achieves better results especially over curved & slanted surfaces due to its more adaptive support windows (SW). I also provided a mathematical analysis to explain this strength of randomness, giving deeper understanding of SWs of the tree-based algorithms.

2.2014-8.2014 **Fast Non-local Stereo Matching based on Hierarchical Disparity Prediction.**

code: <https://github.com/roxanneluo/Hierarchical-Disparity-Prediction>

I proposed a new framework, DPA. Almost all tree-based algorithms can use DPA to improve speed and accuracy. For example, with DPA, the segment-tree-based algorithm is 6.25 times faster and 3.04% more accurate over Middlebury 2006 dataset.

Deep Learning

Advisor Shuicheng Yan, Learning and Vision Research Group, National University of Singapore

8.2014-10.2014 **Purine**, ICLR 2015, <https://github.com/purine/purine2>.

Purine is a flexible graph-based parallel deep learning framework. It outperforms current widely-used deep learning frameworks in that its graph-based design allows any kind of parallelism, both data and model parallelism, arbitrary network structure (e.g., recurrent neural network), and can utilize unlimited number of CPUs and GPUs. And it's fast and easy-to-use. I contributed the multi-GPU & multi-machine data copy part, the key bottleneck for all parallel frameworks, testing codes and part of the network definition protocol. It will be released soon.

Robotics

Advisor Zhengping Feng, School of Naval Architecture, Ocean and Civil Engineering, SJTU, China

3.2012-3.2013 **Development of Low Cost Test-bed for Autonomous Underwater Vehicle (AUV) On-board Intelligence.**

I led four other team members to build a toy submarine equipped with an embedded computer, a gyro, a barometer, etc., to autonomously drive itself. I learned the PID controller, designed and implemented a sliding mode control system, assembled the submarine and carried out a series of underwater experiments.

Course Projects

Codes of some projects available at <https://github.com/roxanneluo>

2016.6 **HoloCook, C#, AR/VR Capstone**

Cooking Tutorial app on Hololens

2016.6	Become Brad Pitt, C++, Computer Vision	<i>Facial Puppetry</i>
2015.11	Environment Matting, C++&Python, Graphics	<i>Composition of Refractive Objects</i>
2014	Fatworm Database, Java	<i>Designed and implemented a database management system</i>
2014	Freebase, PHP+MySQL	<i>Small web search engine built over the Freebase database</i>
2014	Wireless Multi-hop Routing, TinyOS	<i>For telecommunication of wireless sensors</i>
2013-2014	Nachos Operating System, Java	<i>Nachos Project from UC Berkeley CS162</i>
2013	Modern Compiler Implementation, Java	<i>Compiler for Simplified C Language</i>
2013	Simulated CPU, Verilog	<i>MIPS CPU design task from UC Berkeley CS152</i>
2013	Galaxy Maze, OpenGL	<i>Self-designed 3D Game.</i>

Specialty

Fine Arts Good at painting. My portfolio available at <https://photos.app.goo.gl/QtGANBN2gAcajLza9>