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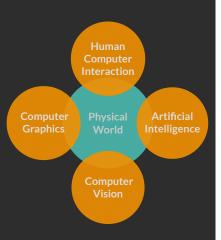
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I'm a computer scientist focused on visual computing, artificial intelligence and interfacing with the physical world and enjoy projects where these converge.

Education -

B.S. Computer Science 2011 Portland State University, OR.

Focus -



Languages

C++ • Obj-C • Python • C# • Swift

Frameworks -

- UnityUnrealARKit
- EigenglmCUDA
- OpenGL OpenCV SciPy stack
- PyTorch Metal

PROJECTS

✓ Automatic Panoramas

Image registration based on automatic feature matching.

☑ Deep Q-Network

An implementation of DeepMind's reinforcement learning paper, evaluated in OpenAI Gym.

☑ CUDA Path Tracer

A GPU-accelerated path tracer.

☑ GPUKit

A framework for implementing reconfigurable rendering pipelines in C++/OpenGL.

✓ NNKit

A Python framework for implementing dynamic neural networks.

✓ Digits

A neural network classifier implemented in Python and deployed to iOS via Obj-C++ and OpenCV.

✓ VRTeleport

A C++ plugin for VR locomotion in Unreal Engine.

☑ RED Patterns

Immersion Award, 45th Festival du Nouveau Cinema. VR experience in UE4 including depth-captured environments and actors.

RESEARCH

Wendy Ju, Sharon Yavo-Ayalon, Ilan Mandel, Federico Saldarini, Natalie Friedman, Srinath Sibi, J. D. Zamfirescu-Pereira, and Jorge Ortiz. 2020. Tracking Urban Mobility and Occupancy under Social Distancing Policy. Digit. Gov.: Res. Pract. 1, 4, Article 32.

☑ Stephanie Claudino Daffara, Federico Saldarini, Balasaravanan Thoravi Kumaravel, and Björn Hartmann. 2020. AuthorIVE: Authoring Interactions for Virtual Environments through Disambiguating Demonstrations. Master's thesis. EECS Department, University of California, Berkeley.

Federico Saldarini. 2010. Waveshaping: from Csound to Cocoa. In The Audio Programming Book, Richard Boulanger and Victor Lazzarini (Eds.). The MIT Press, Cambridge, MA., DVD Ch. 34.

EXPERIENCE

08/20 Software Engineer
Apple - Special Projects Group
Visual computing / autonomous systems.

04/20 Research Engineer / Co-Author (Volunteer)
02/21 Cornell Tech - Future Automation Research Lab

Collaborated with researchers from Cornell's FAR Lab on applying machine learning to videos to extract statistics about COVID19-related social distancing practices in NY City.

UC Berkeley - Berkeley Institute of Design

Collaborated with researchers from UCB's BID Lab on an authoring tool for VR environments based on programming by demonstration (PbD).

11/14 Consultant: VR / AR | Graphics / Vision | iOS 08/20 R&D of entertainment training and educations

R&D of entertainment, training and educational applications involving AR, VR and interfacing with custom physical devices. Worked with Unity, Unreal, custom engines, ARKit, Vuforia, OpenCV, OpenGL, CUDA and iOS/Metal.

02/14 Software Engineer 10/14 Anki

Worked on native iOS (including Bluetooth), Unity and AI planner (C++) code for Anki Drive, an iOS game with physical robotic cars controlled by AI and humans. Prototyped (and implemented in production) a Unity plug-in for releasing subsequent versions of the game for iOS and Android from a unified codebase.

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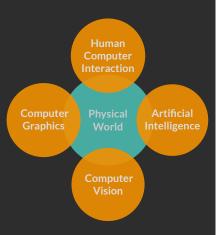
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EXPERIENCE (continued)

01/13 Lead Software Engineer, iOS

02/14 Learnist

Led a team of four engineers through all aspects of the architecture and implementation of the Learnist iOS app for curated online learning.

05/12 Software Engineer, iOS

12/12 Nextive / Globant

Developed mobile apps, including JP Morgan Chase's Mobile Banking and BlackHawk's GoWallet.