Shamus Li

Computational Imaging Researcher

Technical expertise in camera optics, machine learning, and design

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EDUCATION

Cornell University

PhD, Computer Science; Advised by Kristina Monakhova

Aug 2024 - Present
University of California, Berkeley

MS, Electrical Engineering and Computer Sciences; GPA: 3.92; Advised by Laura Waller

BS, Electrical Engineering and Computer Sciences; GPA: 3.84

Luna Valler

Aug 2023 - Aug 2024

Aug 2020 - Aug 2023

WORK EXPERIENCE

Apple Sunnyvale, CA

Software Engineer Intern, Vision Products Group

- Created tooling that improved internal test automation coverage to near 100%, and significantly reduced (>5x) the time it took quality engineers to run tests.
- Collaborated with multiple cross-organizational teams to develop a novel task-driven camera simulation pipeline.
- Presented work to Mike Rockwell and Vision Products Group leadership.

Lawrence Berkeley National Lab

Berkeley, CA

Research Intern

Oct 2022 - Aug 2023

May 2024 - Aug 2024

- Wrote a human-in-the-loop, real-time semantic segmentation pipeline for 3D cell volumes, surpassing single-structure segmentation methods found in state-of-the-art systems, and reducing segmentation time from days to minutes.
- Designed an adaptive brush for organelle detection, an intuitive interface that improved usability and efficiency (>10x) compared to traditional thresholding techniques.
- Presented work to National Center for X-Ray Tomography (NCXT) leadership as well as at LBNL Molecular Biophysics & Integrated Bioimaging conference.
- First undergraduate student to work at NCXT.

Meta Menlo Park, CA

VR Instructor

Jun 2023 - Aug 2023

- Developed and taught a course on advanced VR experience design in partnership with Mission Bit.
- Worked with the State & Local Policy team to host events for students from underrepresented backgrounds in the Bay Area.

Palo Alto Research Center

Palo Alto, CA

Research Intern

Jun 2022 - Aug 2022

- Designed a workflow to efficiently visualize thermal properties in large buildings using multimodal imaging. Enabled real-time room temperature & humidity sensing using Bluetooth Low Energy and MQTT.
- Created iOS app to automatically visualize sensor data in a 3D environment using augmented reality, improving setup time by 80%.
- Two papers published at the IBPSA Building Simulation conference.

PROJECTS

Light Field Camera for NeRF

Aug 2023 – Aug 2024

- Developed light field camera prototype to generate wide-angle, photorealistic reconstructions of 3D scenes in a single shot. Used Gaussian Splatting to achieve high fidelity and fast rendering.
- Created light field optics model using Zemax OpticStudio and multiplexed view synthesis model in PyTorch.

Cinematic Arts & Production Club

 $Jan\ 2022 - Jan\ 2024$

- Scaled the club from 20 to 150 active members in 2 years, becoming the largest film organization at Berkeley.
- Handled \$20k in year-to-year cash flow, and organized film festivals with over 1,500 yearly attendees.

Human Color Perception Simulation

Aug 2023 – Dec 2023

- Developed computational neuroscience model to simulate and evaluate notch-filter glasses for amplifying color perception in humans.
- Collaborated with teams in Vision Science and Cognitive Science.