Woojin Ko

M.S. IN COMPUTER SCIENCE GRADUATE SEEKING REMOTE OR NEW YORK CITY-BASED FULL-TIME ROLES. US CITIZEN.

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Education _

Cornell Tech / Cornell University

Aug 2022 - PRESENT

M.S. / Ph.D IN COMPUTER SCIENCE: VR/AR & HUMAN-COMPUTER INTERACTION (HCI), PACT PRESIDENT

GPA: 3.74/4.0

- Teaching Courses: Human Computer Interaction and Design, Building Startup Systems
- Relevant Courses: 3D User Interfaces, Virtual and Augmented Reality, Computer Vision, Algorithmic Fairness

University of California, Berkeley

AUG 2017 - MAY 2021

B.S. IN ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING AND COMPUTER SCIENCE, EECS HONORS THESIS (HCI)

GPA: 3.71/4.0

- Interaction Courses: Human Computer Interaction EECS Honors Thesis, Virtual Reality, Graphics, Tech Firm Leadership
- Technical Courses: Artificial Intelligence, Machine Learning, Algorithms, Security, Data Structures, Data Science

Professional Experience

Cornell Tech Mixed Reality Research Labs | (NYC) XRCare Co-Lead @ XR Colaboratory, Shifting the Focus Co-Lead + Social VR Autism / ADHD Accessibility Co-Lead @ Enhancing Ability Lab

AUG 2022 - PRESENT

- Developed Hololens 2 (*Unity, C#*) and iPhone AR (*Xcode, Swift, ARKit*) applications to assist informal caregivers and remote expert clinicians with at-home care tasks wound care, drainage, physical rehab through AR and CV (*OpenCV*) assistance.
- Conducted accessibility user studies with Autistic / ADHD people for socializing in VR and for watching videos.

National Museum of Math | (NYC) Technical Exhibit Designer Intern

AUG 2021 - DEC 2021

- Designed and redesigned several exhibits, aiming to make math more fun and interactive for museum visitors.
- Created a digital harmonograph creation web application as the main demo for the 2021 MoMath Gala Fundraiser.

UC Berkeley Mixed Reality Research Labs | MutualSpace Co-Founder @ XR Lab, OpenARK Co-Lead @ FHL Vive Center For Enhanced Reality, AR Video Query Honors Thesis Author @ Jacobs Design Institute

APR 2019 - MAY 2021

- Co-authored Mutual Space, a computational AR teleconference system that generates a holographic area for remote users to interact within as if they are present in person; leverages 3D house scans, spatial optimization, and the Hololens 2.
- Presented at ISMAR (Beijing) on my work on MutualSpace and OpenARK, Berkeley's open-source AR dev kit (C++).
- Completed honors research thesis project that enables users to query iPhone video data temporally and spatially.

Amazon Inc. | Software Development Engineer Intern

MAY 2020 - AUG 2020

- Designed and implemented the backend API (*Java, PostGreSQL*) that computes Amazon vendor action deadlines to confirm and ship items, involving varied subsets of parameters at each step in Amazon's 5-stage Purchase Order lifecycle.
- Demonstrated the system's success with a UI displaying the results of API calls on thousands of POs with different rules.

Projects & Publications

2025 CHI - Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems (Yokohama, Japan) | *L Jiang, W Ko*, et. al. "Shifting the Focus: Exploring Video Accessibility Strategies and Challenges for People with ADHD"

2024 ASSETS - Conference on Computers and Accessibility (St. John's, Canada) | *J Collins, W Ko*, et. al. "Exploring the Accessibility of Social Virtual Reality for People with ADHD and Autism: Preliminary Insights"

2024 JMIR - Journal of Medical Internet Research (New York, New York) | L Albright, **W Ko**, et. al. "Opportunities and Challenges for Augmented Reality in Family Caregiving: Qualitative Video Elicitation Study"

2023 Cornell Tech Open Studio Showcase (New York, New York) | XRCare Demo

2021 EECS Honors Thesis Project (Berkeley, California) | AR Video Query

2020 Jacobs Design Institute Innovation Catalysts Spark Grant Winner (Berkeley, California) | Piano Palette AR

2020 IEEE VR - Conference on Virtual Reality and 3D User Interfaces (Atlanta, Georgia) | M Keshavarzi, A Yang, **W Ko**, L Caldas. "Optimization and Manipulation of Contextual Mutual Spaces for Multi-User Virtual and Augmented Reality Interaction"

2019 ISMAR - International Symposium on Mixed and Augmented Reality (Beijing, China) | *J Menke, W Ko, A Yang. "Tutorial: OpenARK - Tackling Augmented Reality Challenges via an Open-Source SDK."*

Technical Skills

VR/AR/3D Unity, XR Interaction Tookit, MixedRealityToolKit, Swift, ARKit, XCode, Rhino 3D, Lightroom, Photoshop, 3D UI/UX Design

Languages Java, Python, C#, C/C++, JavaScript, HTML/CSS, Golang, Bash

Libraries Pandas, SQL, TensorFlow, PyTorch, Keras, Sklearn, NumPy, SciPy, OpenCV, Flask, React, Jekyll

Tools Git, CI/CD (GitHub Actions), Linux, Jupyter, AWS, Azure