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EDUCATION

- Sep 2020 - **Massachusetts Institute of Technology**
Aug 2024 *Ph.D.*, Electrical Engineering and Computer Science
Advisor: Professor Wojciech Matusik & Professor Tomás Palacios
Thesis: Intelligent Textiles for Physical Human-Environment Interactions
- Aug 2018 - **Massachusetts Institute of Technology**
May 2020 *M.S.*, Electrical Engineering and Computer Science
Advisor: Professor Wojciech Matusik & Professor Tomás Palacios
Thesis: Discovering the Patterns of Human-environment Interactions via Scalable Functional Textiles
- Aug 2014 - **University of Illinois at Urbana - Champaign**
Dec 2017 *B.S.*, Materials Science and Engineering

HONORS AND AWARDS

- 2024 **Forbes 30 Under 30 North America, Science**
- 2023-2024 **Accenture Fellowship**
- 2023 **The Path of Professorship Workshop Participant, MIT**
- 2023 **Best Poster Award, GW6 Summit at MIT**
- 2023 **Meta Fellowship Finalist**
- 2022-2023 **Schwarzman College of Computing Fellowship by Google**
- 2021-2022 **MathWorks Engineering Fellowship**
- 2021 **Best Paper Honorable Mention Award for KnitUI, CHI '21**
- 2017 **James Scholar**
For outstanding students in Engineering College at UIUC.
- 2017 **Cullen W. Parmelee International Research Scholar**
For outstanding international undergraduate researcher in Materials Science and Engineering at UIUC.
- 2015-2017 **Dean's List**
For outstanding academic performance at UIUC.
- 2015 **Alfred W. Allen Award**
For outstanding students in Materials Science and Engineering department at UIUC.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- Aug 2018 - **The Computational Design & Fabrication Group, MIT**
Present Research Assistant | Cambridge, MA
Advisor: Professor Wojciech Matusik & Professor Tomás Palacios
- Jun 2023 - Sep 2023 **Boston Dynamics AI Institute**
Research Intern | Cambridge, MA
Mentor: Dr. Brian Okorn & Prof. Jessica Hodgins
Project: Decoding Human-object Interactions via Tactile Sensing

May 2022 - **RiSE Group, Microsoft Research**
 Aug 2022 Research Intern | Redmond, WA
 Mentor: Dr. Teddy Seyed
 Project: Enabling Gestural Interactions on a Keyboard using a Graphene-based Fabric

Mar 2018 - **Chinese Academy of Science**
 Aug 2018 Research Intern | Guangzhou, China
 Mentor: Dr. Xuetong Sun
 Project: Porous Polypyrrole on 3D printed structures for Controlled Drug Release

Feb 2016 - **Rogers Research Group, UIUC**
 Dec 2017 Research Assistant | Urbana, IL
 Mentor: Professor John A. Roger & Dr. Zheng Yan
 Project: Mechanical Assembly of Functional 3D Mesosstructures

PUBLICATIONS

Highlighted Peer-reviewed Journals and Conference Publications

- 2024 **Y. Luo**, C. Liu, Y. Lee, K. Wu, M. Foshey, J. DelPreto, T. Palacios, D. Rus, Y. Li, A. Torralba, W. Matusik. Adaptive Tactile Interaction Transfer with Digitally Embroidered Smart Gloves. Accepted to *Nature Communications* 15, 868, 2024. **Featured as Editorial Highlight.** [\[paper link\]](#)
- 2024 **Y. Luo**, M. Wonsik, J. Hodgins, B. Okorn. Tactile Embeddings for Multi-Task Learning. Submitted to *International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA '24)*.
- 2024 J. Zhu*, Y. Lee*, **Y. Luo***, T. Xu, C. Liu, D. Rus, S. Mueller, W. Matusik. Liquids Identification and Manipulation via Digitally Fabricated Impedance Sensors. Submitted to *International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA '24)*.
- 2023 **Y. Luo**, J. Zhu, C. Honnet, S. Muller, W. Matusik. MagKnitic: Machine-knitted Passive and Interactive Haptic Textiles with Integrated Binary Sensing. *ACM Symposium on User Interface Software and Technology (UIST '23)*. [\[paper link\]](#)
- 2022 J. DelPreto*, C. Liu*, **Y. Luo**, M. Foshey, Y. Li, A. Torralba, W. Matusik, D. Rus. ActionSense: A Multimodal Dataset and Recording Framework for Human Activities Using Wearable Sensors in a Kitchen Environment. *Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems, Datasets and Benchmarks track (NeurIPS '22)*. [\[paper link\]](#)
- 2022 **Y. Luo**, K. Wu, A. Spielberg, M. Foshey, T. Palacios, D. Rus, W. Matusik. Digital Fabrication of Pneumatic Actuators with Integrated Sensing by Machine Knitting. *Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems (CHI '22)*. **Exhibited at Kent State University Museum.** [\[paper link\]](#)
- 2022 L. Zlokapá, **Y. Luo**, J. Xu, M. Foshey, K. Wu, P. Agrawal, W. Matusik. An Integrated Design Pipeline for Tactile Sensing Robotic Manipulators. *International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA '22)*. [\[paper link\]](#)
- 2022 Q. Zhang*, Y. Li*, **Y. Luo**, W. Shou, M. Foshey, J. Yan, J. B. Tenenbaum, W. Matusik, A. Torralba. Dynamic Modeling of Hand-Object Interactions via Tactile Sensing. *International Conference on Intelligent Robots and Systems (IROS '22)*. **Exhibited at MIT Museum.** [\[paper link\]](#)
- 2021 **Y. Luo**, Y. Li, M. Foshey, W. Shou, P. Sharma, T. Palacios, A. Torralba, W. Matusik. Intelligent Carpet: Inferring 3D Human Pose from Tactile Signals. *Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR '21)*. [\[paper link\]](#)

- 2021 **Y. Luo**, Y. Li, P. Sharma, W. Shou, K. Wu, M. Foshey, T. Palacios, A. Torralba, W. Matusik. Learning human-environment interactions using 3D conformal functional textiles. *Nature Electronics* 4, 193–201, 2021. **Featured as cover and Commentary in Nature Electronics**. [[paper link](#)]
- 2021 **Y. Luo***, K. Wu*, T. Palacios, W. Matusik. KnitUI: Fabricating Interactive and Sensing Textiles with Machine Knitting. *Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems (CHI '21)*. **Best Paper Honorable Mention**. [[paper link](#)]

Other Peer-reviewed Journals, Conference Publications, and Short Papers

- 2024 Y. Li, **Y. Luo**. Intelligent Textiles Are Looking Bright. *Science* 384, 29-30, 2024. [[paper link](#)]
- 2023 **Y. Luo**. Intelligent Textiles for Physical Human-Environment Interactions. *ACM Symposium on User Interface Software and Technology Doctoral Symposium (UIST '23)*. [[paper link](#)]
- 2023 **Y. Luo**, E. Barhudarian, T. Seyed. Project Mihr: Enabling Gestural Interactions on a Keyboard using a Graphene-based Fabric. *Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems Late-Breaking Work (CHI '23)*. [[paper link](#)]
- 2023 L. Zhan, Y. Cao, Q. Chen, H. Guo, J. Gao, **Y. Luo**, S. Guo, G. Zhou, J. Gong. Enable Natural Tactile Interaction for Robot Dog based on Large-format Distributed Flexible Pressure Sensors. *International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA '23)*. [[paper link](#)]
- 2023 Y. Choi, D. Park, S.a Lee, I. Han, E. Akan, H. Jeon, **Y. Luo**, S. Kim, W. Matusik, D. Rus., K. Kim. Seamless-walk: natural and comfortable virtual reality locomotion method with a high-resolution tactile sensor. *IEEE Virtual Reality* 1-15. [[paper link](#)]
- 2023 B Li, B Deng, W Shou, TH Oh, Y Hu, **Y. Luo**, L Shi, W Matusik. Computational Discovery of Microstructured Composites with Optimal Strength-Toughness Trade-Offs. *arXiv preprint arXiv:2302.01078*. [[paper link](#)]
- 2022 M. Xue, C. Mackin, W. Weng, J. Zhu, **Y. Luo**, A. Lu, M. Hempel, E. McVay, J. Kong, T. Palacios. Highly Integrated Bioelectronic System Based on Graphene Transistor Arrays for Ion Sensing. *Nature Communication* 13(1), 1-11. [[paper link](#)]
- 2022 K. Nan, S. Babaee, W. Chan, J. Kuosmanen, V. Feig, **Y. Luo**, S. Srinivasan, C. Patterson, A. M. Jebran, G. Traverso. Low-cost gastrointestinal manometry via silicone–liquid-metal pressure transducers resembling a quipu. *Nature Biomedical Engineering* 6 (10), 1092-1104. [[paper link](#)]
- 2021 A. Kaspar, K. Wu, **Y. Luo**, L. Makatura, W. Matusik. Knit Sketching: from Cut & Sew Patterns to Machine-Knit Garments. *ACM Transactions on Graphics (SIGGRAPH '21)*. [[paper link](#)]
- 2017 Z. Yan, M. Han, S. Shi, A. Badea, Y. Yang, A. Kulkarni, E. Hanson, M. Kandel, X. Wen, F. Zhang, **Y. Luo**, et al. Mechanical Assembly, Transfer and Release of Three-Dimensional Mesostructures as High Temperature Growth Templates, Electronic Cellular Scaffolds and Self-Propelled Micro-Robots. *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences (PNAS)* 114.45: E9455-E9464. [[paper link](#)]
- 2017 Z. Yan, M. Han, Y. Yang, K. Nan, H. Luan, **Y. Luo**, Y. Zhang, Y. Huang, J. A. Rogers. Deterministic Assembly of 3D Mesostructures in Advanced Materials via Compressive Buckling: A short Review of Recent Progress. *Extreme Mechanics Letters* 1: 96-104. [[paper link](#)]

PATENTS

- 2023 **Resistive Sensing Arrays and Methods of Manufacturing the Same.** Wojciech Matusik. Michael J Foshey, Yiyue Luo. Provisional Patent Filed.
- 2021 **Systems and Methods for Estimating 3d Position and Movement from Tactile Signals.** Wojciech Matusik, Antonio Torralba, Michael J Foshey, Wan Shou, Yiyue Luo, Pratyusha Sharma, Yunzhu Li. US Patent Application No. 17/226.564.

TEACHING AND MENTORING

Teaching

- Sep 2023 - **Kaufman Teaching Certificate, MIT**
Dec 2023 Cambridge, MA
- Sep 2021 - Jan 2022 **6.336: Introduction to Numerical Simulation, MIT**
Teaching Assistant | Cambridge, MA
- Nov 2021 - Jan 2022 **MAS.865: Rapid-Prototyping of Rapid-Prototyping Machines, MIT**
Guest Lecturer | Cambridge, MA
- Sep 2021 **3.173: Computing Fabrics, MIT**
Guest Lecturer | Cambridge, MA
- Jan 2017 - May 2017 **IEFX 198: Introductory first-year experience courses, UIUC**
Teaching Assistant | Urbana, IL
- Jan 2016 - May 2016 **ENG 100: Introductory first-year experience courses, UIUC**
Teaching Assistant | Urbana, IL

Mentoring

- 2023-present **Devin Murphy** | Master Student at MIT
- 2022-present **Young Joon Lee** | Ph.D. Student at MIT | Coauthored on submitted works
- 2022-present **Yunyi Zhu** | Ph.D. Student at MIT | Coauthored on submitted works
- 2022-2024 **Tiffany Louie** | B.S. Student at MIT | Now M.ENG. at MIT EECS
- 2022-2023 **Lishuang Zhan** | M.S. Student at Tsinghua University, China | Coauthored on ICRA '23
- 2022-2023 **Yunho Choi** | M.S. Student at GIST, South Korea | Coauthored on Virtual Reality
- 2022 **Sylvie Waft** | B.S. Student at MIT | Now M.ENG. at MIT EECS
- 2022 **Joshua Jacob** | B.S. Student at UMass Amherst | Now visiting student at MIT EECS
- 2022 **Lara Zlokapa** | M.S. Student at MIT | Coauthored on ICRA '22, now at Illumina
- 2022 **Lucas Ventura** | M.S. Student at UPC, Spain | Now Ph.D. at ENPC
- 2022 **Qiang Zhang** | B.S. Student at SJTU, China | Coauthored on IROS '22, now Ph.D. at Princeton
- 2021 **Jacqueline Aslarus** | High School Student | Now B.S. student at MIT

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES AND SERVICES

Program Chair/Committee

- 2024 ICRA Wearable Workshop 2024
- 2022 AHRI 2022
- 2021 WRC SARA 2021

Department Service

- 2023 Course Aid for Academic Faculty Search Seminar, MIT
- 2019-2020 Volunteer for PhD visit days, EECS Graduate Student Association, MIT
- 2018 Vice President for PhD visit days, EECS Graduate Student Association, MIT

Reviewing

- Journals Nature Electronics, Science, Soft Robotics, Computer-Aided Design, Nature Machine Intelligence; IEEE Sensors; Virtual Reality
- Conferences ACM CHI 2021-2024; ACM UIST 2021-2023; ACM HRI 2021-2023; ICRA 2023

SELECTED TALK AND PRESENTATION

Intelligent Textiles for Physical Interactions

- Apr 2024 Invited talk at University of Michigan - Ann Arbor | Ann Arbor, IN
- Apr 2024 Invited talk at Brown University | Providence, RI
- Mar 2024 Invited talk at University of Illinois - Urbana Champaign | Virtual
- Mar 2024 Invited talk at Stanford University | Stanford, CA
- Mar 2024 Invited talk at Massachusetts Institute of Technology | Cambridge, MA
- Mar 2024 Invited talk at Princeton University | Princeton, NJ
- Feb 2024 Invited talk at New York University | Brooklyn, NY
- Feb 2024 Invited talk at Dartmouth | Virtual
- Feb 2024 Invited talk at University of California - Berkeley | Berkeley, CA
- Feb 2024 Invited talk at Carnegie Mellon University | Pittsburgh, PA
- Feb 2024 Invited talk at University of Washington | Seattle, WA
- Jan 2024 Invited talk at University of Notre Dame | Notre Dame, IN

Intelligent Textiles for Physical Human-Environment Interactions

- Oct 2023 Doctoral Dissertation at UIST '23 | San Francisco, USA

Machine-knitted Passive and Interactive Haptics Textiles with Integrated Binary Sensing

- Oct 2023 Technical paper presentation at UIST '23 | San Francisco, USA

Digital Fabrication of Functional Textiles

- Jul 2022 Invited talk at Tsinghua University | virtual
- Apr 2022 Invited talk at Computational Fabrication Seminar | virtual

Digital Fabrication of Pneumatic Actuators with Integrated Sensing by Machine Knitting

- May 2022 Technical paper presentation at CHI '22 | New Orleans, USA
Learning human-environment interactions using 3D conformal functional textiles
- May 2023 Invited talk at TechBlick | virtual
- Jun 2021 Invited talk at MIT Open Learning | virtual
- May 2021 Invited talk at Smart Fabrication Seminar | virtual
KnitUI: Fabricating Interactive and Sensing Textiles with Machine Knitting
- May 2021 Technical paper presentation at CHI '21 | virtual

SELECTED PRESS

- 2024 **Smart glove teaches new physical skills**
[MIT News](#)
- 2023 **Exhibition of machine-knitted pneumatic hand and walking robot**
 Kent State University Museum, Knitting Beyond the Body
- 2023 **Exhibition of machine-knitted tactile sensing vest**
 Mobile World Congress in Europe and India
- 2023 **A natural and comfortable 'seamless-walk' virtual reality locomotion system**
[MIT News](#), [Yahoo Finance](#), [Benzinga](#) [EurekAlert](#)
- 2022 **A helping hand for robotic manipulator design**
[MIT News](#), [Hackaday](#), [Tech Briefs](#), [Tech Xplore](#), [Robotics.ee](#)
- 2022 **Exhibition of high-resolution tactile sensing gloves**
 Massachusetts Institute of Technology Museum
- 2022 **Soft assistive robotic wearables get a boost from rapid design tool**
[MIT News](#), [Mashable](#), [TechCrunch](#), [Pioneering Minds](#)
- 2022 **A simple diagnostic tool for gastrointestinal disorders**
[MIT News](#) [Medical Design Briefs](#)
- 2021 **Intelligent carpet gives insight into human poses**
[MIT News](#), [Inceptive Mind](#), [Daily Mail](#), [ZDNet](#)
- 2021 **Tactile textiles sense movement via touch**
[MIT News](#), [Nature Electronics News & Views](#), [Fast Company](#), [Mashable](#), [Tech Xplore](#)