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RESEARCH INTERESTS

Multimodal interaction in XR | Cross-platform XR | Personalized Context-aware systems | Ubiquitous XR | Prototyping | XR Security and privacy

Keywords: AR | MR | XR | Visuospatial | Personal Context-aware | Human-centered AI | Ubiquitous Computing | User Interface | Security/Privacy

EDUCATION

Stony Brook University <i>Ph.D. Candidate., Computer Science (GPA: 3.83/4)</i>	Stony Brook, NY (Aug. 2020 – Present)
Stony Brook University <i>M.S., Computer Science (GPA: 3.68/4)</i>	Stony Brook, NY (Aug. 2018 – May. 2020)
Darmstadt University of Applied Sciences <i>Exchange Student (via Soongsil University Program)</i>	Darmstadt, Germany (Mar. 2015 – Jul. 2015)
Soongsil University <i>B.S., Computer Science and Engineering</i>	Seoul, Korea (Mar. 2010 – Feb. 2017)

RESEARCH AND TECHNICAL EXPERIENCE

Stony Brook University <i>Research Assistant</i>	Stony Brook, NY May. 2022 – Present
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Designing next generation ubiquitous, spatiotemporal context-aware XR system with multimodal LLMPrototyping interactive recommender system using RAG LLM for personalized AR experienceConducting research on personal context-aware system for cross-virtuality (cross-device, remote)Researching conversational, cross-reality (AR-to-VR) interface for remote collaborationInvestigating spatial computing (PC-2D vs MR) for network security applications with Apple Vision ProDesigned end-to-end analytics framework for user behaviors in XR environments (AR, VR, MR) using multimodal (visual, audio, interaction) cuesImplemented hand-held system (tablet, mobile) for collaborative multi-user AR experienceProposed a novel mobile AR framework for co-located collaboration in immersive tiled displaysDeveloped a novel design of OS-level access control system in AR for privacy-protectionExplored the applications of local & remote renderingExplored situated visualization for optimal volume placementStudied mapping/synchronization of coordinate systems in digital twin	
<i>Graduate Student Researcher</i>	Stony Brook, NY May. 2020
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Studied platform/device-agnostic properties for scientific (volume rendering) /information visualizationExplored the applications of gesture-based input in Virtual Reality using Leap motionDesigned Shark² algorithm (shape/location channel) for Unity C# to utilize across multi-platforms	
Soongsil University <i>Undergraduate Student Researcher</i>	Seoul, Korea Jul. 2018
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Developed hand gesture recognizer for MR remote desktop settingsDeveloped an immersive remote desktop screen network streaming system in C and Unity C# utilizing virtualized graphics card and WINAPI hooking	

PUBLICATIONS

- Yoonsang Kim**, Divyansh Pradhan, Devshree Jadeja, Arie Kaufman.
From Speech-to-Spatial: Grounding Utterances on Live Shared View with Augmented Reality. (**Under review**).
- Yoonsang Kim**, Devshree Jadeja, Divyansh Pradhan, Yalong Yang, Arie Kaufman.
Memento: Spatial Remembrance of Routine Memories with Conversational Personal Assistant in XR. (**Under review**).
- Doris Gutierrez, **Yoonsang Kim**, Amir Rahmati, Arie Kaufman.
Mixed Reality vs. 2D PC Interface for Network Security Tasks: A Comparative Study. (**Under review**)
- Matthew Castellana, Chahat Kalsi, **Yoonsang Kim**, Saeed Boorboor, Arie Kaufman.
[AuxiScope: Handheld Augmented Reality Tablet as an Auxiliary Display for Large-Scale Display Systems](#). IEEE ISMAR. 2025.
- Yoonsang Kim**, Zainab Aamir, Mithilesh Singh, Saeed Boorboor, Klaus Mueller, Arie Kaufman.
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- Saeed Boorboor, **Yoonsang Kim**, Ping Hu, Josef M Moses, Brian A Colle, Arie Kaufman.
[Submerse: Visualizing Storm Surge Flooding Simulations in Immersive Display Ecologies](#). IEEE TVCG. 2023.
- Saeed Boorboor, Matthew Castellana, **Yoonsang Kim**, Zhutian Chen, Johanna Beyer, Hanspeter Pfister, Arie Kaufman.
[VoxAR: Adaptive Visualization of Volume Rendered Objects in Optical See-Through Augmented Reality](#). IEEE TVCG. 2023.
- Yoonsang Kim**, Sanket Goutham, Amir Rahmati, Arie Kaufman.
[Erebus: Access Control for Augmented Reality Systems](#). USENIX Security. 2023.
- Yoonsang Kim**, Saeed Boorboor, Amir Rahmati, Arie Kaufman.
[Design of Privacy Preservation System in Augmented Reality](#). IEEE VizSec Poster. 2021.

- Yu-Jung Ko, Hang Zhao, **Yoonsang Kim**, IV Ramakrishnan, Shumin Zhai, Xiaojun Bi. [Modeling Two-Dimensional Touch Pointing](#). ACM UIST. 2020.
- Suwen Zhu, **Yoonsang Kim**, Jingjie Zheng, Jennifer Yi Luo, Liuping Wang, Xiangmin Fan, Feng Tian, Xiaojun Bi. [Using Bayes' Theorem for Command Input: Principle, Models, and Applications](#). ACM CHI. 2020.
- **Yoonsang Kim**, Geunyeop Ha, Sangjun Lee. [Flexible Remote-Control Application for Virtual Reality using Virtual Graphics Driver and OpenCV](#). IJAER. 2017.

ACADEMIC SERVICES

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| • Reviewer of IEEE ISMAR (Recognized for Outstanding Reviews) | 2025 (Currently Serving) |
| • Reviewer of IEEE PacificVIS | 2025 (Currently Serving) |
| • Reviewer of ACM ISS | 2025 (Currently Serving) |
| • Reviewer of ACM UIST | 2025 (Currently Serving) |
| • Reviewer of ACM IMWUT | 2025 (Currently Serving) |
| • Reviewer of ACM SUI | 2025 (Currently Serving) |
| • Reviewer of ACM VRST | |

HONORS AND AWARDS

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| • Best Data Science/AI Award. SBU Hackathon. Stony Brook University | Sep. 2019 |
| • Dean's Award. Software Competition. Soongsil University | Oct. 2016 |
| • National Semi-Finalist. Microsoft Imagine Cup. Microsoft Korea | Mar. 2016 |
| • Gold Award. IT·BT Software Convergence Engineering Competition. Soongsil University | Dec. 2015 |

LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE

Stony Brook University	Stony Brook, NY
<i>Teaching Assistant</i>	May. 2022

- Assisted lecture/assignment preparation for professors of courses (VR, HCI, Visualization, OS)

Research Mentor

- Mentored 2 high school, 4 undergraduate, and 9 graduate students to design an algorithm in the domains of Mobile AR, Device localization in AR, User interface, and Information visualization

Soongsil University	Seoul, Korea
<i>Exchange Student Program Mentor</i>	Dec. 2016

- Helped the incoming students of exchange student program & shared experience

Republic of Korea Army (The 31 st Infantry Division Engineering Battalion)	Gwangju, Korea
<i>Financial & Personnel Administrator in Human Resources</i>	Jan. 2013

- Served military duty at the HQ in the Engineering battalion as Financial & Personnel administrator

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Language	C#, Python, C, C++, HLSL, Compute Shader, JavaScript, Java, Go
Tool/Framework/API	Unity, AR Foundation (ARCore/ARKit; Android/iOS/Meta Horizon OS/Vision OS), Cursor AI, OpenAI/Gemini API, Vuforia SDK, OpenGL, D3.js, WINAPI, MFC, WPF, MySQL, DB2, HTML, CSS

LANGUAGES

Korean	Native
English	Full professional working proficiency: TOEFL 110 (27/27/28/28)
German	Elementary proficiency: A1(Beginner level)