# Yujia Liu

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### **EDUCATION**

Tsinghua University, Beijing, China

Sep 2022 – Jul 2025

M.A. in Information Art and Design

- CGPA: 3.94 / 4.00

- Advisor: Professor Yingqing Xu and Professor Chun Yu

### Tsinghua University, Beijing, China

Aug 2017 – Jul 2022

B.Eng. in Automation Engineering & B.A. in Industrial Design

- CGPA: 3.60 / 4.00

- Advisor: Professor Hong Wang, Professor Yingqing Xu and Professor Lei Zhang

#### RESEARCH INTERESTS

Areas Human-AI Interaction, Augmented Interaction, Affective Computing, Aesthetics Computing

Methods Machine Learning, Large Language Models, Embedded Systems, Sensors, Grounded Theory

## **PUBLICATIONS**

[1] 3D-Mirrorcle: Bridging the Virtual and Real through Depth Alignment in Smart Mirror Systems.

Yujia Liu, Qi Xin, Chenzhuo Xiang, Yu Zhang, Yingqing Xu.

In submission to the ACM Symposium on User Interface Software and Technology (UIST), 2024. [PDF]

[2] MindShift: Leveraging Large Language Models for Mental-States-Based Problematic Smartphone Use Intervention. Ruolan Wu, Chun Yu, Xiaole Pan, **Yujia Liu**, Ningning Zhang, Yue Fu, Yuhan Wang, Zhi Zheng, Li Chen, Qiaolei Jiang, Xuhai Xu, Yuanchun Shi.

To appear in the 2024 CHI Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems (CHI), 2024. [PDF]

# PROJECT EXPERIENCE

#### [1] Enhancing Augmented Reality in Smart Mirrors with Depth-Aligned 3D Visualization 08/2022 - Present

- Developed 3D-Mirrorcle, an innovative smart mirror system integrating AR with real-world reflections, addressing depth disparity via a lenticular grating setup.
- Employed real-time image adjustment and position adaptation algorithms to align AR content with the user's depth perception and enhance interaction realism.
- Demonstrated through a makeup application prototype with significant improvements in accuracy (11.1% ↑), task completion time (47.9% ↓), and user satisfaction (44.4% ↑) compared to the previous systems in a user study involving 36 participants, showcasing the tangible user benefits of seamless AR-mirror integration.

#### [2] Leveraging LLMs for Context-Aware Persuasive Interventions in Digital Well-being 11/2022 - 07/2023

- Introduced *MindShift*, a mobile application that leverages LLMs for generating dynamic, personalized persuasive content to mitigate problematic smartphone use for digital well-being, adaptive to user context and mental states.
- Conducted Wizard-of-Oz and interview studies identifying boredom, stress, and inertia as key mental states behind problematic use, guiding the development of tailored persuasion strategies.
- Evaluated MindShift's effectiveness in a 5-week field trial with 25 participants, showing significant improvements in intervention acceptance (17.8-22.5%  $\uparrow$ ) and reductions in smartphone usage frequency (12.1-14.4%  $\downarrow$ ).
- Participants reported notable decreases in smartphone addiction scores (25.8-34.7%  $\downarrow$ ) and increases in self-efficacy (10.4-10.7%  $\uparrow$ ), with a strong willingness to continue using *MindShift* for digital well-being management.

#### [3] 3D LEGO Designs Generation and Structural Optimization with Generative Models 10/2023 - Present

- Developed a 3D model generation system combining large generative models, structural stability prediction, and

- resource optimization to repurpose unused LEGO bricks, fostering creativity and sustainability.
- Utilized Shap-E, a large-scale generative model, for producing diverse and intricate 3D LEGO designs, elevating the design process's quality and variety.
- Integrated Finite Element Analysis with machine learning for real-time predictions of structural integrity, ensuring creations are both imaginative and mechanically sound.
- Employed Genetic Algorithms for optimal brick utilization, optimizing for constraints like color and size, to enhance environmental and economic sustainability.
- Achieved up to a 42.7% increase in design diversity, a 13.9% increase in user engagement, and a 6.9% improvement in user satisfaction, demonstrating significant advances in interactive design and sustainability.

#### [4] Adaptive Music and Lighting Systems for Emotional Well-being

03/2022 - 02/2023

- Developed a smart home system that dynamically adjusts music and lighting to nurture inhabitants' emotional well-being, leveraging environmental and color psychology with music emotion recognition.
- Utilized CNNs and LSTMs for feature extraction and temporal pattern recognition in music and environmental inputs, alongside decision trees for personalized atmosphere adjustment.
- Validated in a smart automotive control system, capable of responding to and anticipating user emotions and preferences, with a 22.1% enhancement in satisfaction.

#### [5] Automated Video Editing with Semantic Analysis and Aesthetic Evaluation

11/2021 - 04/2023

- Developed an intelligent video editing framework that integrates video semantic analysis and aesthetic evaluation to combine AI with user-centered designs for automating video production tasks.
- Utilized state-of-the-art models like GPT-3 for narrative generation, 3D CNNs for action recognition, and VGG-Face for facial and emotion analysis as a complete pipeline to address the comprehensive needs in video editing.
- Achieved a 62.5% reduction in editing time, demonstrating the framework's effectiveness in improving editing efficiency and output quality.

# [6] Adaptive Image Color Enhancement Across Diverse Displays

10/2021 - 12/2022

- Collected color preferences in digital media via a comprehensive user survey with 89 participants and an expert interview with 24 photographers to identify color preferences across image types & user demographics.
- Developed a system based on DeepLPF for adaptive image color enhancement under mobile photography scenarios, significantly enhanced user satisfaction (12%  $\uparrow$ ) in an offline evaluation with 89 participants.
- Addressed the challenge of integrating user preferences with complex image content, achieving personalized visual experiences through advanced machine-learning techniques.

# INTERNSHIP EXPERIENCE

# Pervasive Interaction Laboratory, Tsinghua University

10/2022 - Present

Research Assistant, with Professor Chun Yu and Professor Yuanchun Shi

# Huawei, ID/UX Design Group, Cyberverse Product Line

07/2021 - 10/2021

Product Manager Intern, supervised by Qianhui Liang

# Beijing Ewaybot Technology, Robot Navigation Group

06/2020 - 08/2020

Algorithm Engineer Intern, supervised by Bowei Tang

# EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Student Association for Science and Technology, Xinya College, Tsinghua University

2017 - 2021

Led the association as president and organized cross-disciplinary colloquiums that covered over 1200 participants.

#### Tsinghua Red Cross Society

2017 - 2018

Organized on-campus blood donation events and off-campus voluntary teaching for underprivileged primary school children.

# TSINGHUA UNIVERSITY ACADEMIC TRANSCRIPT

Student Name: Liu Yujia Gender Female Student No.: 2022213532

Academy of Arts & Graduate Date of Admission September, 2022 School/Department: Student Type: Design

Information and Art Subject:

Design

Course Number	Course Title	Credit	Degree Course	Grade	Grade Point Average	Year-Semester	Remark
60800022	Design Thinking	2	Y	P	N/A	2022-Autumn	
70240362	Techniques of Human-Machine Interactive and Interface	2	Y	A-	4.0	2022-Autumn	
70805011	Information Art and Information Design	2	Y	A-	4.0	2022-Autumn	
80800302	Information, Interaction and Innovation Design	2	Y	B+	3.6	2022-Autumn	
60680021	Introduction to Dialectics of Nature	1	Y	B+	3.6	2023-Spring	
64200012	Academic English for Master Students	2	Y	A-	4.0	2023-Spring	
70670212	Communication Studies	2	Y	A-	4.0	2023-Spring	
80802042	AI Fundamentals for Design Applications	2	Y	A	4.0	2023-Spring	
80805012	Studies of Interactive Art and Design	2	Y	A-	4.0	2023-Spring	
60680002	The theory and practice of socialism with Chinese characteristics for the new era	2	Y	A-	4.0	2023-Autumn	
80640582	Emotions and Mindfulness	2	Y	A	4.0	2023-Autumn	
Total C	Credits: 21.0 Degree C	Course GP	A: 3.94	De	gree Course Credits: 21		