# CHENXU ZHANG

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#### **EDUCATION**

The University of Texas at Dallas, Richardson, TX	Jan. 2019 - May 2023
Ph.D in Computer Science	
Beihang University, Beijing, China	Sep. 2015 - Mar. 2018
Master in Computer Science	
Beihang University, Beijing, China	Sep. 2011 - Jul. 2015
Bachelor in Software Engineering	
WORK EXPERIENCE	
ByteDance, San Jose, CA	May 2023 - Present
Research Scientist	
The University of Texas at Dallas, Richardson, TX	Jan. 2020 - May 2023
Research Assistant	
ByteDance, Mountain View, CA	May 2022 - Aug. 2022
Research Intern	
ByteDance, Mountain View, CA	May 2021 - Aug. 2021
Research Intern	

# RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

### Audio-driven personalized emotional talking avatar generation

May 2022 - present

- Propose the first emotional talking avatar generation framework with the disentangled speech content and emotion training architecture.
- Develop talking avatar applications, including emotion transfer, emotion exaggeration and personalized emotion.

## Audio-driven talking face video generation

Jan. 2021 - May 2022

- Synthesize photo-realistic talking face videos with audio-synchronized lip motion, personalized and natural head motion, and realistic eye blinks.
- Design a FACIAL-GAN module to encode the contextual information with the phonetic information to model the implicit attributes needed for synthesizing natural head motions.
- Embed eye blinking into an eye-attention map of rendered faces, which achieves realistic eye blinks in the resulting video produced by the Rendering-to-Video module.

## 3D talking face generation

Jan. 2019 - Jan. 2021

- Construct a person-specific head motion dataset.
- Propose a unified audio-inspired approach to endow 3D talking face with personalized pose dynamics.

# Modeling garment seam from a single image

Mar. 2017 - Jan. 2018

- Establishment of a garment seam image database and the parametric seam models.
- Use the Deformable Parts Model (DPM) image detection method for precise seam detection.

# Thread-level fabric modeling based on a single macro image

Sep. 2016 - Jun. 2017

- Collect different fabrics and construct the fabric dataset.
- The production of thread-level fabric model and the final rendering of the development work.

## **PUBLICATIONS**

**Chenxu Zhang**, Yifan Zhao, Yifei Huang, Ming Zeng, Saifeng Ni, Madhukar Budagavi, Xiaohu Guo. FACIAL: Synthesizing Dynamic Talking Face with Implicit Attribute Learning. International Conference on Computer Vision (ICCV), 2021.

**Chenxu Zhang**, Saifeng Ni, Zhipeng Fan, Hongbo Li, Ming Zeng, Madhukar Budagavi, Xiaohu Guo. 3D Talking Face with Personalized Pose Dynamics. IEEE Transactions on Visualization and Computer Graphics (TVCG), 2021.

Yifei Huang, Chenhui Li, Xiaohu Guo, Jing Liao, **Chenxu Zhang**, Changbo Wang. DeSmoothGAN: Recovering Details of Smoothed Images via Spatial Feature-wise Transformation and Full Attention. Proceedings of the 28th ACM International Conference on Multimedia (MM), 2020.

Guihong Wan, Crystal Maung, **Chenxu Zhang**, Haim Schweitzer. Fast Distance Metrics in Low-dimensional Space for Neighbor Search Problems. IEEE International Conference on Data Mining (ICDM), 2020.

Hongyu Wu, Xiaowu Chen, **Chenxu Zhang**, Bin Zhou, Qinping Zhao. Modeling Yarn-level Geometry from a Single Micro-image. Frontiers of Information Technology & Electronic Engineering, 2019.

**Chenxu Zhang**, Xiaowu Chen, Hongyu Wu, Bin Zhou. Modeling Garment Seam from a Single Image. Journal of Computer Science and Technology (JCST), 2018.

#### **ACTIVITIES**

Reviewer for Journal: TPAMI, TIP, etc.

Reviewer for Conference: CVPR, ECCV, AAAI, MM, etc.

#### **AWARDS**

Lars Magnus Ericsson Graduate Fellowships (University of Texas at Dallas)
First Class Scholarship (Beihang University)

2019-2020

2015-2018