

Zhehao Li

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Education

University of Science and Technology of China

– M.S., Graphics & Geometric Computing Laboratory

Hefei, China

Sep. 2021 - Present

- Research topic: Differentiable Simulation, Computational Fabrication
- Advisor: Prof. [Ligang Liu](#)

University of Science and Technology of China

– B.Eng. in Dept. of Computer Science

Hefei, China

Sep. 2017 - Jun. 2021

- Overall GPA: 91.14/100
- Outstanding Graduate (Top 5%)

Research Interest

I am interested in differentiable simulation for solving inverse control and design problems, as well as AI for simulation. My recent research is particularly focused on the following areas:

- **Differentiable Simulation**
 - Differentiable fluid-solid coupling
 - Topology optimization and computational fabrication
- **AI + Simulation**
 - Accelerating deformable and contact simulations with neural networks

Publications & Projects

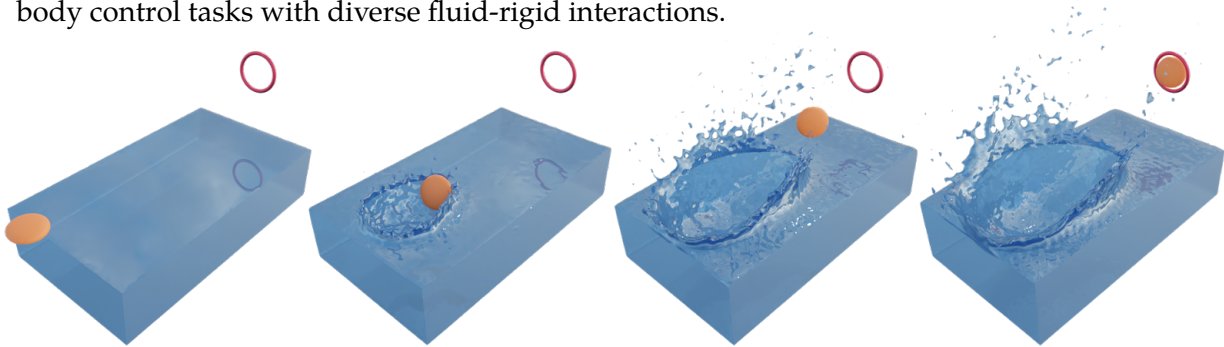
DiffFR: Differentiable SPH-based Fluid-Rigid Coupling for Rigid Body Control [\(link\)](#)

ACM Transactions on Graphics (Proceedings of SIGGRAPH Asia 2023)

Dec. 2023

Zhehao Li, Qingyu Xu, Xiaohan Ye, Bo Ren, Ligang Liu

- A differentiable SPH-based fluid-rigid coupling simulator addressing the instability issues of gradient, and demonstrating its efficacy, scalability, and extensibility in various challenging rigid body control tasks with diverse fluid-rigid interactions.



Numerical Coarsening with Neural Shape Functions [\(link\)](#)

Computer Graphics Forum, 2023

Mar. 2023

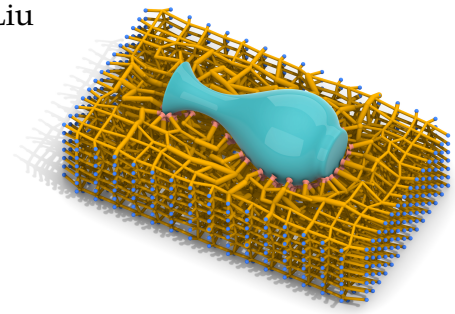
Ning Ni, Qingyu Xu, Zhehao Li, Xiao-Ming Fu, Ligang Liu

- A new numerical coarsening method for accelerating deformable simulation by adopting neural networks as nonlinear shape functions to achieve generalization capability as well as good accuracy.

Computational Cushioning Package Design (Submitted to SIGGRAPH 2022) Jan. 2022

Di Zhang, Zhehao Li, Xiaoya Zhai, Xiao-Ming Fu, Ligang Liu

- A computational model for efficient cushioning package design to ensure shipping safety of fragile items by geometric and topological optimization.



Teaching & Community Service

SGI 2022: Summer Geometry Initiative

– Voluntary Assistant

Online
July 2022 - Oct. 2022

- Organizer: Prof. [Justin Solomon](#), MIT

GAMES103: Introduction to Physics-based Animation

– Teaching Assistant

Online
Oct. 2021 - Jan. 2022

- Lecturer: Prof. [Huamin Wang](#), Ohio State University

Taichi Graphics Course

– Teaching Assistant

Online
Sep. 2021 - Jan. 2022

- Lecturer: Dr. [Tiantian Liu](#), Taichi Graphics

Research & Industrial Internship

Tsinghua University

– Research Intern, Shanghai Qi Zhi Institute

Shanghai, China
July. 2023 - Present

- Research Topic: AI + deformable simulation
- Advisor: Prof. [Tao Du](#)

University of Chicago

– Research Intern, Human Computer Integration Lab

Chicago, USA
July. 2019 - Sep. 2019

- Research Topic: Intellectual Medical Wearable Device
- Advisor: Prof. [Pedro Lopes](#)

TikTok, Bytedance Inc.

– Industry Intern, Product RD and Infrastructure Department

Shenzhen, China
June. 2020 - Aug. 2020

- Intern Topic: Collision Detection, Position-based Dynamics

Honors & Awards

- National Scholarship for Graduate Excellence (Top3%) Oct. 2023
- Outstanding Graduate Award, USTC (Top5%) Jun. 2021
- Outstanding Student Scholarship - Golden Award, USTC (Top3% in 181) Oct. 2018

Skills & Others

- Programming: C++, Python, Matlab, Taichi, PyTorch
- Hobbies: Frisbee, Swimming, Guitar, Piano