Zhen Chen

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Research interests My current research focuses on investigating the physical characteristics and geometric properties of thin shell models. I aim to develop efficient and precise models for simulating cloth behavior. Additionally, I have a keen interest in the realm of real-time gaming mesh processing, encompassing tasks such as remeshing, repairing, and simplification. Furthermore, I find the prospect of enhancing results through the integration of mesh processing, physical simulations, and deep neural networks to be particularly intriguing.

WORKING Adobe Seattle, Washington

Research Scientist/Engineer 2024 – present

EDUCATION The University of Texas at Austin Austin, Texas

Ph.D. in Computer Science 2018 – 2024

Supervisor: Prof. Etienne Vouga

University of Science and Technology of China

Bachelor in Information & Computational Science¹

Anhui, China

2014 – 2018

Mentors: Prof. Ligang Liu

Publications

- [1] **Zhen Chen**, Danny M. Kaufman, Mélina Skouras, Etienne Vouga. **Complex Wrinkle Field Evolution**. *ACM Transcations on Graphics, 2023 (SIGGRAPH 2023)*.
- [2] Zhen Chen, Zherong Pan, Kui Wu, Etienne Vouga, Xifeng Gao. Robust Low-Poly Meshing for General 3D Models. ACM Transcations on Graphics, 2023 (SIGGRAPH 2023).
- [3] Yan Zheng, Lemeng Wu, Xingchao Liu, **Zhen Chen**, Qiang Liu, Qixing Huang. **Neural Volumetric Mesh Generator**. *NeurIPS 2022 Workshop SBM Poster*, 2022.
- [4] **Zhen Chen**, Hsiao-yu Chen, Danny M. Kaufman, Mélina Skouras, Etienne Vouga. **Fine Wrinkling on Coarsely-Meshed Thin Shells**. *ACM Transcations on Graphics*, 2021.
- [5] Zhen Chen, Daniele Panozzo, Jeremie Dumas. Half-Space Power Diagrams and Discrete Surface Offsets. *IEEE Transaction on Visualization and Computer Graphics*, 2019.

¹In USTC, Department of Information & Computational Science belongs to Mathematics School

EXPERIENCE

Research Scientist/Engineer, Adobe

Seattle, US

Manager: Danny M. Kaufman

May 2024 - Present

Job description: Conduct research focused on developing robust and efficient algorithms in computer graphics, with emphasis on rigid and soft body dynamics, cloth simulation, real-time 2D shape simulation, time-dependent scene generation, and integrable frame field design.

Research & Development Intern, Tencent America

Bellevue, US

Mentor: Xifeng Gao

Summer 2023

Project description: Develop a robust and efficient algorithm for approximating the convex decomposition of diverse 3D meshes. The objective is to elevate collision detection performance in real-time gaming scenarios.

Research & Development Intern, Tencent America

Bellevue, US

Mentor: Xifeng Gao

Summer 2022

Project description: Propose a remeshing algorithm designed to accurately capture sharp features, ensuring both the absence of intersections and water-tight integrity. Implement this methodology on real-world mesh data to showcase its practical applicability.

Research Intern, Adobe

Remote in Austin, US

Mentor: Danny M. Kaufman

Summer 2021

Project description: Design a time integrator which achieves a trade-off between amplitude distortion (dissipation) and period distortion (dispersion). This is specifically designed for the incremental potential contact (IPC) model.

Student Intern, Geometric Computing Lab

NYU

Host: Daniele Panozzo

Summer 2017

Project description: Investigate an algorithm for the robust and efficient computation of offset surfaces for 3D meshes. This approach employs half-space power diagrams to achieve accurate results.

TALKS Complex Wrinkle Field Evolution

SIGGRAPH 2023

Robust Low-Poly Meshing for General 3D Models

SIGGRAPH 2023

Fine Wrinkling on Coarsely-Meshed Thin Shells

SIGGRAPH 2022

Half-Space Power Diagrams and Discrete Surface Offsets (with Jeremie Dumas)

Symposium on Geometry Processing (SGP) 2020

Reviews Eurographics 2024

Computer Graphics Forum 2022 SIGGRAPH Asia 2024

SIGGRAPH 2023, 2024

IEEE TVCG 2023

NeurIPS 2024

SCA 2024

TEACHING	Teaching assistant, Department of Computer Science	UT Austin
Experience	CS 303E: Elements of Computers and Programming	Fall 2018
	Teaching assistant, Department of Mathematics	USTC
	Complex Analysis Fall	Fall 2017
	Mathematical Analysis	Spring 2017
Honors and	Baosteel ScholarShip(Top 2%)	2017
Awards	National Scholarship (Top 1% nationwide)	2016
	Outstanding Freshman Scholarship (Top 1%)	2014
Language	Programming : C/C++, Python, Matlab	
and Skills	Software : Houdini, Adobe Premiere	
	Language: Chinese(native), English(fluent)	