Kai Zheng

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SKILLS

- Programming: Python, C++, C, CUDA, Data Structure, GitHub
- Computer graphics: Rendering pipeline, Physics-based simulation, Computational geometry
- Deep Learning: Computer Vision, 3D Face Reconstruction, 3D Face generation, NLP, Pytorch, Tensoflow, Jax
- Graphics API & Game engine: WebGL, OpenGL, Unreal4

EDUCATION

Doctor of Philosophy in Physics with a focus on Particle Collider Experiment

Jan 2019 – May 2024

University of Illinois—Urbana-Champaign (Illinois) | GPA: 3.96/4.0

Master of Science in Statistics¹

Jan 2020 – Dec 2022

University of Illinois—Urbana-Champaign (Illinois) | GPA: 4.0/4.0

Bachelor of Science in Physics Sept 2014 – July 2018

Zhejiang University, Chu Kochen Honors College (China) | GPA:3.92/4.0

EMPLOYMENT & RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Data Analysis Researcher and C++ Software Developer

Mar 2020 - May 2024

UIUC(Illinois) & CERN, The Large Hadron Collider (Geneva, Switzerland)

- Use big data visualization and statistical analysis to explore new fundamental particle or interactions.
- Use machine learning and deep learning for particle experiment to replace classical methods
- Build software system using C++, Python, GitLab in ATLAS team collaborating with more than 5000 people

Deep learning researcher for quantum chemistry

Apr 2021 – Sept 2021

TikTok, AI Lab (Beijing, China)

- Studied quantum Monte Carlo simulation results using deep learning with Pytorch and Jax based on Ferminet
- Implemented contrastive divergence learning on Diffusion Monte Carlo quantum simulation

Student Researcher Sept 2017 – Dec 2017

Fermi National Accelerator Laboratory & Argonne National Laboratory (Illinois)

- Developed GPU accelerated algorithm using CUDA for data processing increasing 150% efficiency
- Performed High-Precision Measurement of Magnetic Field for Muon g-2 experiment (DOI: 10.1016/j.jmr.2021.107020)

PROJECTS

Lepton Type Classification

- Cleaned and visualized Experimental Collision data (20G+) with outlier using ROOT and Python Matplotlib
- Classified particle types based on Recurrent Neural Network and Tree Model for sequential data

Particle Track reconstruction

- Implemented Hough transform to reconstruct particle track using data from collider detector using C++
- Analyzed Particle Collision behaviors and generated training samples using Monte Carlo Simulation using C++

Computer Graphic Course Projects

The project code can be accessed from this link: https://github.com/zkcr0000/Computer-Graphics-Course

- Implemented rasterizer with Blinn-Phong Model, Bump mapping, Texture, Anti-aliasing, etc. using C++
- Implemented Whitted-Style ray tracing, path tracing with Bounding Volume Hierarchy, BRDF, etc. using C++

¹ Fulfill all course requirements on transcript, due to department restriction no degree will be offered.