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"Stand Out Fit In"

Summary_

Currently pursuing a Ph.D. in Computer Science at George Mason University, under the guidance of Professor Craig Yu. Conducting research on leveraging Artificial Intelligence (AI) and Extended Reality (XR) technologies, including Virtual Reality (VR), Augmented Reality (AR), and Mixed Reality (MR), to enhance human performance. Skilled in Python, Unity, Meta Quest 2/Pro, Microsoft HoloLens 2, and networked multiplayer development. Hold a bachelor's degree in Remote Sensing, a master's degree in Software Engineering, and a master's degree in Computer Science, with over 5 years of industry experience as a software engineer. Passionate about driving innovation at the intersection of XR and AI to create immersive and transformative experiences.

Education

GMU (George Mason University)

Ph.D. IN COMPUTER SCIENCE

- Dissertation Topic: AI-Assisted XR Applications for Human Performance Enhancement
- Design Computing and Extended Reality (DCXR) group supervised by Prof. Craig Yu

GMU (George Mason University)

M.S. IN COMPUTER SCIENCE

• Distinguished Academic Achievement Award

BJTU (Beijing Jiaotong University)

M.S. IN SOFTWARE ENGINEERING

- Thesis: Research on Domain Adaptation and Task Porting Methods for Transfer Learning
- Code: Transfer Learning Baseline Toolbox Based on Object Oriented Programming
- Code: Visualize Transfer Learning Datasets

SDUST (Shandong University of Science and Technology)

B.S. IN REMOTE SENSING SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

- Thesis: Design and Implementation of Photogrammetric Fundamental Algorithms Based on Qt
- Code: YZCG Photogrammetry Data Processing System

Honors & Awards_

2025 Apr 🦞 Silver Winner - Social Design: Design for Society, Float Mind	NY Product Design Awards 2025
2025 Apr 🦞 Silver Winner - Virtual Reality (VR) Design, Float Mind	Indigo Design Awards 2025
2025 Apr 🦞 Silver Winner - UX, Interface & Navigation for Games, Float Mind	Indigo Design Awards 2025
2025 Mar 🏆 Silver Winner - Product Design: Gaming, AR & VR, Float Mind	MUSE Design Awards 2025
2025 Jan 🏆 LA Emergency Response Prize, Memoverse	MIT Reality Hack 2025
2025 Jan XR Design Challenge 2024 Finalist, Float Mind	Immersive Insiders w/ Meta etc.
2025 Jan XR Design Challenge 2024 Finalist, Meal Master	Immersive Insiders w/ Meta etc.
2024 Dec Panel Member, AR/VR User Research Panel	Meta
2024 Oct 🦞 Best Real-World Game Prize, BloomCraft: Garden Guardians	Niantic Create & Play Challenge
2024 Fall CSCI 6907-83 Guest Speaker & Project Mentor, Advanced Topics in Augmented Reality (AR)	GWU
2024 Jul Academic Partner, Project Aria Research Partnership Program	Meta
2024 Jul VR Work Featured on Podcast, VR Simulations and ADHD in Construction	Peggy Smedley Show
2024 Jun ACM Professional Membership, EICS 2024 Reviewing Appreciation	ACM
2024 May Distinguished Academic Achievement Award, Computer Science Department	GMU
2024 Apr 2024 Summer GRA Fellowship, Center for Advancing Human-Machine Partnership (CAHMP)	GMU

Publication.

Paper

Qingdao, Shandong, China

Sep. 2011 - Jun. 2015

Fairfax, VA, USA

Fairfax, VA, USA

Aug. 2021 - May. 2024

Sep. 2017 - Jun. 2020

Haidian, Beijing, China

Aug. 2021 - Present

Visual Allocation of Teams In The Construction Industry: Team Situation Awareness Under Information Overload In Human-AI Collaboration [AHFE 2025] CHING-YU CHENG; LIUCHUAN YU; LAP-FAI YU; BEHZAD ESMAEILI	Orlando, Florida, USA Jul. 2025
Col-Con: A Reconfigurable Virtual Reality Simulation Platform for Exploring Collaborative Behaviors in Construction [Under Review] [Video] [Code] LIUCHUAN YU; CHING-YU CHENG; WILLIAM F RANC; JOSHUA DOW; MICHAEL SZILAGYI; HAIKUN HUANG; SUNGSOO RAY HONG; BEHZAD ESMAEILI; LAP-FAI YU	Virtual Reality
Enriching Physical-Virtual Interaction in AR Gaming by Tracking Identical Objects via an Egocentric Partial Observation Frame [Under Review] [Video][Code] LIUCHUAN YU; CHING-I HUANG; HSUEH-CHENG WANG; LAP-FAI YU	IEEE Transactions on Visualization and Computer Graphics
HoloCook: A Real-Time Remote Mixed Reality Cooking Tutoring System [HCII 2024] LIUCHUAN YU; BO HAN; SONGQING CHEN; LAP-FAI YU	Washington DC, USA Jul. 2024
HoloAAC: A Mixed Reality AAC Application for People with Expressive Language Difficulties [HCII 2024] LIUCHUAN YU; HUINING FENG; RAWAN ALGHOFAILI; BOYOUNG BYUN; TIFFANY O'NEAL; SWATI RAMPALLI; YOOSUN CHUNG; VIVIAN GENARO MOTTI; LAP-FAI YU	Washington DC, USA Jul. 2024
Establishing Design Computing and Extended Reality Facilities for Remote Virtual Reality Training [IEEEVR 2023-VRW] LAP-FAI YU; CHANGYANG LI; YONGQI ZHANG; RAWAN ALGHOFAILI; HAIKUN HUANG; LIUCHUAN YU ; HUIMIN LIU; MINSOO CHOI; BRENDA BANNAN; CHRISTOS MOUSAS	Shanghai, China Mar. 2023
Synthesizing Shared Space Virtual Reality Fire Evacuation Training Drills [ISMAR 2022-Adjunct] Huimin Liu; Minsoo Choi; Liuchuan Yu; Alexandros Koilias; Lap-Fai Yu; Christos Mousas	Singapore, Singapore Oct. 2022
POSTER Enriching Physical-Virtual Interaction in AR Gaming by Tracking Identical Real Objects [MIG 2024] LIUCHUAN YU; CHING-I HUANG; HSUEH-CHENG WANG; LAP-FAI YU	Arlington, VA, USA Nov, 2024
Predicting Users' Difficulty Perception in a VR Platformer Game [MIG 2024] Erdem Murat; Liuchuan Yu ; Siraj Sabah; Haikun Huang; Lap-Fai Yu	Arlington, VA, USA Nov, 2024

Reviewing_____

2025	Reviewer, ISMAR 2025 Papers
2025	Reviewer, Computer Animation and Virtual Worlds
2024	Reviewer, PRESENCE: Virtual and Augmented Reality
2024	Reviewer, CHI 2025 Papers
2024	Reviewer, IEEE VR 2025 Papers
2024	Reviewer, VRST 2024 Papers
2024	Reviewer, ISS 2024 Papers
2024	Reviewer, AutomotiveUI 2024 Works in Progress
2024	Reviewer, ISMAR 2024 Posters
2024	Reviewer, ISMAR 2024 Conference Papers
2024	Reviewer, ISMAR 2024 Journal Papers
2024	Reviewer, EICS 2024 Demos and Posters
2023	Reviewer, IEEE VR 2023 Workshop: Workshop: 3D Content Creation for Simulated Training in XR
2022	Reviewer, IEEE VR 2022 Workshop: 3D Content Creation for Sim. Training (TrainingXR)

Graduate Teaching/Research Assistant

GRADUATE RESEARCH ASSISTANT

- 2024 Summer, Predicting Team Cohesion in Collaborative VR Construction Scenarios
- 2023 Summer, Multiplayer VR Construction Training Platform Using Quest Pro
- 2022 **Summer**, Supporting Dynamic Scene on AR Using HoloLens 2

GRADUATE TEACHING ASSISTANT

- 2025 Spring, CS452 Virtual Reality
- 2024 Fall, CS551 Computer Graphics
- 2024 Spring, CS310 Data Structures
- 2023 Fall, CS452 Virtual Reality
- 2023 **Spring**, CS310 Data Structures
- 2022 Fall, CS310 Data Structures
- 2022 Spring, CS211 Object Oriented Programming
- 2021 Fall, CS211 Object Oriented Programming

Volunteering

- 2022 President, Computer Science Graduate Student Association (CSGSA)
- 2021 Volunteer, Gradstravaganza Picnic

Work Experience [Intern & FTE]

ByteDance Inc.

- Teleoperation Research Intern (Pico-Lab)
- Conduct research in robot teleoperation and human-robot interaction.
- Develop and evaluate novel control schemes for robotic systems using VR interfaces.
- · Collaborated with sales teams to present technical details and prepare user manuals for company products.
- Implement and test integration of various input devices (gloves, motion trackers) for dexterous manipulation.
- Design and optimize stereo vision systems for enhanced spatial awareness.
- Prototype VR applications using Unity for robot teleoperation.
- Conduct user studies and performance evaluations.
- Collaborate with interdisciplinary team members on system integration.

JingHang Co., Ltd.

Python Software Engineer

- Developed a standardized storage format for English examination data, including A-Level, IELTS, and TOEFL.
- · Performed extraction, transformation, and loading (ETL) of unstructured data into a unified, structured format.
- Designed and implemented a web interface for seamless integration and usage by other departments.

KoudaiCaifu Co., Ltd.

FINANCE DEVELOPMENT ENGINEER

- Managed and maintained the Intelligent Investment Consultant System, ensuring data stream accuracy and reliability.
- Identified and resolved bugs in the company's online systems and applications, ensuring smooth operations.
- Enhanced departmental efficiency by introducing innovative utilities and engineering methodologies.

LinkDoc Co., Ltd.

Python System R&D Engineer

- Led the development, optimization, and maintenance of the Clinical Information Extraction System.
- Enhanced structural accuracy across multiple modules of electronic medical records (EMRs).
- Designed and maintained a PyCharm IDE plugin to support syntax highlighting, auto-completion, and function navigation for a Domain-Specific Language (DSL).

EmoKit Co., Ltd.

MACHINE LEARNING ENGINEER

- · Led research and development of machine learning algorithms to advance project outcomes.
- Applied machine learning techniques to support anti-fraud initiatives in the financial industry.
- Integrated advanced algorithms to drive project progress and efficiency.
- Established and introduced a centralized background algorithm center to streamline development and deployment.

Beijing, China

Mar. 2021 - Apr. 2021

Beijing, China

Aug. 2020 - Mar. 2021

Beijing, China

Aug. 2018 - Dec. 2019

Beijing, China

Feb. 2018 - Jul. 2018

GMU GMU

San Jose, CA, USA May. 2025 - Present

WaterTek Corp.

SOFTWARE ENGINEER

- · Conducted research on the organization and storage of spatio-temporal big data to improve system efficiency.
- Developed, packaged, and maintained core algorithms using C/C++ for robust performance.
- Designed and implemented an indoor navigation application for the iOS platform.

Esri China Co., Ltd.

Technology Engineer Intern

- Developed prototypes using C#, C++, Java, HTML, and JavaScript on the ArcGIS platform to meet client requirements.
- Designed database structures and authored SQL queries to support application functionality.
- Collaborated with sales teams to present technical details and prepare user manuals for company products.

Extracurricular Activity_

Memoverse (🏆 LA Emergency Response Prize)

Developer

- A mobile AR experience allows users to explore 3D scans of sites before the fire and share memories, preserving the essence of lost spaces and offering comfort to those affected.
- Video | 8th Wall
- Team members: Zihan Li, Yan Zeng, Tingting Luo, and Ernest Choi.

Float Mind (Finalist)

Developer

- Float Mind is an Al-powered MR gamified meditation app designed for stress relief and immersive relaxation.
- Short Video | Long Video | Walk-Through Video on Windows | Windows Exectable | Github
- Team members: Zihan Li, Yan Zeng, Tingting Luo, and Shuqi Liao.
- 🏆 NY Product Design Awards 2025 | 🏆 Indigo Design Awards 2025 | 🏆 MUSE Design Awards 2025

Meal Master (Finalist)

Developer

- The Meal Master is an innovative MR cooking assistant designed to help users make informed, healthy meal choices while simplifying the cooking process.
- Video
- Team members: Yvie Zhang

BloomCraft: Garden Guardians (Y Best Real-Word Game Prize)

Core Developer

- Discover, plant, and protect a sunflower in our game! Help from Red Bird, water from clouds, and guard against bugs in this interactive adventure.
- Video | 8th Wall
- Team members: Yvie Zhang [Artistic Designer], Manuel Rebol [User Experience], and Hurriyet Ok [Project Manager].

OmniCounter (iOS App)

Developer

• OmniCounter is a Fully Functional Calculator that supports basic, scientific, trigonometry, algebra, calculus, combinatorics, datetime, economics, geometry, matrix, vector, number theory, statistics, and so on.

conda-env-export (PYPI Package)

Developer

• It's a useful PyPI package that aims to export conda env dependencies and pip requirements to ONE yml file.

It's a simple but powerful application to remove text and/or image watermarks in PDF files and output PDF and/or DOCX files.

Watermark Terminator (PDF Utility)

Developer

3to1 (Utility)

DEVELOPER

• It's designed to merge 3 kinds of online course resources (*.swf, *.grf, *.xml) into 1 video.

Skills_____

XR Development	Unity, Meta XR SDKs, Mixed Reality Toolkit (MRTK), Quest 2, Quest Pro, HoloLens 2
Programming	C#, Python, C++, Java, C, SQL, LaTeX
Multimedia	Photoshop, Illustrator, Premiere Pro
3D Related	3ds Max, Blender, 3D Scanning, 3D Printing, Laser Cutting
Languages	English, Mandarian

Beijing, China Jul. 2015 - Feb. 2018

Beijing, China

Aug. 2014 - Feb. 2015

MIT Reality Hack 2025

XR Design Challenge 2024

XR Design Challenge 2024

Niantic Studio

Python

Python

Python

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Objective-C/Swift