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Research Interests

Image-based Rendering, Neural Rendering, View Synthesis, and AR/VR.

Education

University of California, San Diego

PH.D. IN COMPUTER SCIENCE

- Supported by Qualcomm FMA Fellowship

San Diego, USA

Sept. 2018 - June 2023

National Taiwan University (NTU)

B.S. IN ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING

- Dean's List Award (2016 Spring):** Ranked 1st out of 185 students

Taipei, Taiwan

Sept. 2013 - June 2017

Work / Research Experience

Apple Inc.

AR/VR GRAPHICS/MULTIMEDIA PROCESSING ENGINEER

- Developing graphics pipeline for AR/VR

Sunnyvale, USA

August 2023 - Now

Google LLC

RESEARCH INTERN

- Research on sparse-input view synthesis with learned gradient descent

Mountain View, USA

June 2022 - Sept. 2022

Google LLC

RESEARCH INTERN

- Research on single-image view synthesis

Mountain View, USA

June 2021 - Sept. 2021

Facebook, Inc.

RESEARCH INTERN

- Research on video view synthesis

Seattle, USA

June 2020 - Sept. 2020

Adobe Inc.

RESEARCH INTERN

- Research on 6-DoF panoramic view synthesis

San Jose, USA

June 2019 - Sept. 2019

Center for Visual Computing, UCSD

GRADUATE STUDENT RESEARCHER

- Advisor:** Prof. Ravi Ramamoorthi
- Research on view synthesis, neural rendering and image-based rendering

San Diego, USA

Sept. 2018 - June 2023

Publications & Presentations

Personalized Video Prior for Editable Dynamic Portraits using StyleGAN

KAI-EN LIN, ALEX TREVITHICK, KELI CHENG, MICHEL SARKIS, NING BI, MOHSEN GHAFORIAN, GERHARD REITMAYR, RAVI RAMAMOORTHY -

COMPUTER GRAPHICS FORUM (CGF) 2023

- Introduced a personalized video prior by optimizing StyleGAN generator to enable editable dynamic portraits.

Delft, Netherlands

June 2023

Neural Free-Viewpoint Relighting for Glossy Indirect Illumination

NITHIN RAGHAVAN, YAN XIAO, KAI-EN LIN, TIANCHENG SUN, SAI BI, ZEXIANG XU, TZU-MAO LI, RAVI RAMAMOORTHY -

COMPUTER GRAPHICS FORUM (CGF) 2023

- Introduced a hybrid neural-wavelet PRT solution to high-frequency indirect illumination, including glossy reflection, for relighting with changing view.

Delft, Netherlands

June 2023

NerfDiff: Single-image View Synthesis with NeRF-guided Distillation from 3D-aware Diffusion

Hawaii, USA

JIATAO GU, ALEX TREVITHICK, **KAI-EN LIN**, JOSH SUSSKIND, CHRISTIAN THEOBALT, LINGJIE LIU, RAVI RAMAMOORTHY - INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON MACHINE LEARNING (ICML) 2023

July 2023

- Introduced NeRF-guided diffusion to improve reconstruction quality of single-image view synthesis.

Vision Transformer for NeRF-Based View Synthesis from a Single Input Image

Hawaii, USA

KAI-EN LIN, LIN YEN-CHEN, WEI-SHENG LAI, TSUNG-YI LIN, YI-CHANG SHIH, RAVI RAMAMOORTHY - WINTER CONFERENCE ON APPLICATIONS OF COMPUTER VISION (WACV) 2023

Jan. 2023

- Introduced a novel representation enabling SOTA performance on single-image view synthesis task.

Deep 3D Mask Volume for View Synthesis of Dynamic Scenes

Montreal, Canada

KAI-EN LIN, LEI XIAO, FENG LIU, GUOWEI YANG, RAVI RAMAMOORTHY - INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON COMPUTER VISION (ICCV) 2021

Oct. 2021

- Introduced a 3D mask volume representation and a new multi-view video dataset to address temporal inconsistency in video view synthesis

NeLF: Neural Light-transport Field for Portrait View Synthesis and Relighting

Saarbrücken, Germany

TIANCHENG SUN*, **KAI-EN LIN***, SAI BI, ZEXIANG XU, RAVI RAMAMOORTHY - EUROGRAPHICS SYMPOSIUM ON RENDERING (EGSR) 2021

June 2021

- Introduced a novel representation, NeLF, for portrait view synthesis and relighting

Deep Multi Depth Panoramas for View Synthesis

Glasgow, United Kingdom

KAI-EN LIN, ZEXIANG XU, BEN MILDENHALL, PRATUL P. SRINIVASAN, YANNICK HOLD-GEOFFROY, STEPHEN DIVERDI, QI SUN, KALYAN

SUNKAVALLI, RAVI RAMAMOORTHY - EUROPEAN CONFERENCE ON COMPUTER VISION (ECCV) 2020

Aug. 2020

- Introduced a novel 3D representation for view synthesis on 360 images

Enhancing the Perception of a Hazy Visual World Using a See-through Head-mounted Device

Beijing, China

KAI-EN LIN, KUANG-TSU SHIH, HOMER CHEN - INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON IMAGE PROCESSING (ICIP) 2017

Sept. 2017

- Introduced a novel method to perform haze removal for augmented reality using the perceptual properties of human visual system

Dehazing With a See-Through Near-Eye Display

San Diego, USA

KUANG-TSU SHIH, **KAI-EN LIN**, HOMER CHEN - INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON MULTIMEDIA AND EXPO (ICME) 2018

July 2018

- **Best Demo Papers Award:** Demonstrated the implementation of the ICIP paper

Honors & Awards

2016 **Dean's List Award (Top 5% of the class)**, Ranked 1/185

2018 **Best Demo Papers Award - ICME 2018**, Dehazing With a See-Through Near-Eye Display

Related Skills

Programming Skills: C++, \LaTeX , MATLAB, Linux, Python

Libraries/Tools: PyTorch, OpenCV, OpenGL