Chen Liang

Research Interests

Human-AI Interaction and Systems, Accessibility, AR/VR

Education

University of Michigan	Ann Arbor, MI
Ph.D. in Computer Science and Engineering	2021-2025 (Expected)
Advisor: Anhong Guo - Human-AI Lab	
Texas A&M University	College Station, TX
M.S. in Computer Science and Engineering	2019–2021
Advisor: Jeeeun Kim - HCI Engineering and Design Lab	
Thesis: An Interactive System to Support the Exploration and Measurement of Adaptive 3	D Designs
The Ohio State University	Columbus, OH
B.S. in Computer Science and Engineering	2015-2019

Awards

Best Demo, Michigan AI Symposium	2023
Outstanding Graduate Student Instructors Award, University of Michigan	2023
CSE Departmental Fellowship, University of Michigan	2021-2022
Computer Science and Engineering Department Scholarship, Texas A&M University	2020-2021

PEER-REVIEWED CONFERENCE AND JOURNAL PAPERS

- Chen Liang, Yasha Iravantchi, Thomas Krolikowski, Ruijie Geng, Alanson Sample, and Anhong Guo. 2023. BrushLens: Hardware Interaction Proxies for Accessible Touchscreen Interface Actuation. In Proceedings of the 36th Annual ACM Symposium on User Interface Software and Technology (UIST 2023) [Acceptance Rate: 25.1%]
- Chen Liang, Anhong Guo, and Jeeeun Kim. 2022. CustomizAR: Facilitating Interactive Exploration and Measurement of Adaptive 3D Designs. In Proceedings of the 2022 ACM Conference on Designing Interactive Systems (DIS 2022) [Acceptance Rate: 23%]

WORKSHOP PAPERS, EXTENDED ABSTRACTS, AND POSTERS

- 1. Andi Xu, Mahdi Qazwini, **Chen Liang**, and Anhong Guo. 2023. Deploying VizLens: Characterizing User Needs, Preferences, and Challenges of Physical Interfaces Usage in the Wild. In Proceedings of the 25th International ACM SIGACCESS Conference on Computers and Accessibility (**ASSETS 2023**)
- 2. Chen Liang and Bobak Mortazavi. 2022. Evaluating Short Animation Videos in Asynchronous Teaching. In Proceedings of the 53rd ACM Technical Symposium on Computer Science Education V. 2 (SIGCSE 2022)
- 3. Nahyun Kwon, **Chen Liang**, Jeeeun Kim. 2021. 3D4ALL: Toward an Inclusive Pipeline to Classify 3D Contents. In Proceedings of Workshop on Transparency and Explanations in Smart Systems (TExSS Workshop on 26th International Conference on Intelligent User Interfaces (**IUI 2021**))

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

SAIC Motor Co., Ltd.

Internship, Advanced Technology Department (Mentor: Ke Liu) Sensor fusion for autonomous driving

PROJECT & COMPETITION EXPERIENCE

Indy Autonomous Challenge	2020-2021
Member, Reveille Racing Team - Texas A&M University (Advisor: Dr. Ivan Damnjanovic)	
Designed and implemented vehicle control algorithm for the Simulation Race (3rd Place).	
Software used: Ansys VRAPERIENCE Driving Simulator, SCADE, Python	
Robomaster Robotics Competition	2020-2021
Graduate Team Advisor, Texas Aimbot - Texas A&M University (Advisor: Dr. Dezhen Song)	
Advised undergraduate students on computer vision system design.	

SELECTED PRESS COVERAGE

• World Economic Forum This smartphone tool helps people with visual disabilities use touchscreens	11/2023
Independent Living BrushLens: Smartphone case workaround for touchscreens	11/2023
Hackster.io Bring Your Own Accessibility	10/2023
University of Michigan News New phone case provides workaround for inaccessible touch screens	10/2023
New Atlas BrushLens tech could make touchscreen displays accessible to everyone	10/2023

TEACHING & ADVISING

• Students Mentored

Gerrard Choe (2023 Summer, Hand Gesture Collection in Mobile AR) Qiyuan Song (2023 Summer, Hand Gesture Collection in Mobile AR) Andi Xu (2023 Summer, VizLens Deployment)

• Teaching or Instructional Assistant:

EECS 598 - Human-AI Interaction and Systems - Winter 2023 EECS 593 - Human-Computer Interaction - Fall 2023 CSCE 436: Human Computer Interaction - Spring 2020, Spring 2021 CSE 3521: Introduction to Artificial Intelligence - Spring 2019 CSE 2431: Introduction to Operating Systems - Spring, Summer, and Autumn 2018

SERVICE

• President, Computer Science and Engineering Graduate Student Organization, University of Michigan	2023-2024
Organizer, Michigan Interactive and Social Computing Group, University of Michigan	2023-2024
Poster Chair, Michigan AI Symposium, University of Michigan	2022
Committee Member, Academy of Future Faculty, Texas A&M University	2020-2021
• PhD Admission Review, Computer Science and Engineering, University of Michigan	2022-2024
• Reviewer	

– IEEE VR 2024, ACM CHI 2023, ACM UIST 2022 - 2023, ACM WWW 2023

• Student Volunteer

– ACM UIST 2020 & 2023, ACM DIS 2022

Shanghai, China Summer 2019