Connor Zhizhen Lin

Education

2020–Present	PhD in Computer Science, Stanford University, Stanford, CA.
	Advisors: Leonidas Guibas, Gordon Wetzstein
	Stanford Graduate Fellow (David Cheriton)
2018–2019	MSc in Computer Science, Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh, PA.
	Advisor: Keenan Crane
	Thesis: Periodic Conformal Parameterization

2015–2018 BSc in Computer Science, Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh, PA.

Experience

- 2023 **PhD Student Researcher**, *Google Research*, Mountain View, CA.
 - Researched new method for representing 3D humans and objects with dynamic Gaussians on the 3D Scene Understanding team within Perception.
- 2022-2023 PhD Research Intern, NVIDIA Research, Toronto.
 - Developed a method for single-shot 3D reconstruction and animation of neural avatars (SIGGRAPH 2023) that combines implicit SDF representations with explicit UV-parameterized texture maps.
 - 2021 PhD Research Intern, Adobe Research, London.
 - Developed NeuForm (NeurIPS Oral 2022), a hybrid approach combining overfitting and general priors for neural scene editing.
- 2019-2020 Software Engineer, Google, Mountain View, CA.
 - Researched and prototyped end-to-end solutions for real-time depth inference and improved performance of depth inference in Portrait mode.
 - 2018 Software Engineering Intern, Google Daydream, New York, NY.
 - $\circ\,$ Implemented a virtual reality plugin for Unity using C# and C++ that dynamically recognizes and morphs user virtual handwriting into text.
 - 2017 Software Engineering Intern, Yahoo!, Sunnyvale, CA.

Skills Python, C++, MATLAB, Git

Research and Teaching

Research Interests

• I am interested in learning priors and neural representations for 3D reconstruction, generation, and editing of objects and scenes, and how these techniques can be applied to human avatars.

Teaching Experience

- o Teaching Assistant (Fall 2023). Computer Graphics: Animation and Simulation (CS248B)
- o Teaching Assistant (Fall 2017, Fall 2018, Spring 2019). Computer Graphics (15-462/15-662)
- o Teaching Assistant (Spring 2017). Principles of Imperative Computation (15-122)

Publications

SIGGRAPH Single-Shot Implicit Morphable Faces with Consistent Texture Parameterization. 2023 C. Z. Lin, K. Nagano, J. Kautz, U. Iqbal, L. Guibas, G. Wetzstein, S. Khamis

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NeurIPS 2022 NeuForm: Adaptive Overfitting for Neural Shape Editing. C. Z. Lin, N. J. Mitra, G. (Oral) Wetzstein, L. Guibas, P. Guerrero

ECCVW 2022 **3D GAN Inversion for Controllable Portrait Image Animation.** *C. Z. Lin**, *D. B.* (Learn3DG) Lindell*, E. R. Chan, G. Wetzstein

- CVPR 2022 EG3D: Efficient Geometry-aware 3D Generative Adversarial Networks. E. R. Chan*, (Oral)
 C. Z. Lin*, M. A. Chan*, K. Nagano*, B. Pan, S. D. Mello, O. Gallo, L. Guibas, J. Tremblay, S. Khamis, T. Karras, G. Wetzstein
- SIGGRAPH ACORN: Adaptive Coordinate Networks for Neural Representation. J. N. P. Martel*, 2021 D. B. Lindell*, C. Z. Lin, E. R. Chan, M. Monteiro, G. Wetzstein
 - Masters **Periodic Conformal Parameterization.** *SCS Technical Report* Connor Zhizhen Lin Thesis

Talks

- Aug. 2023 Single Shot Implicit Morphable Faces SIGGRAPH Conference Talk
- Mar. 2023 Neural Avatars from a Single Image Netflix Invited Research Talk
- Nov. 2022 Local Neural Shape Editing NeurIPS Conference Talk
- Jun. 2022 Advancing and Applying 3D GANs Stanford University CS PhD Qualifying Exam
- Jul. 2019 Periodic Conformal Parameterization Carnegie Mellon University Masters Thesis Defense
- Dec. 2017 Real World Fabrication of 3D Meshes Carnegie Mellon University SCS Undergraduate Research Showcase

Awards

- o Stanford Graduate Fellowship (David Cheriton)
- o 5x Dean's List
- University Honors

Service

- 2022-2023 Reviewer CVPR, SIGGRAPH, SIGGRAPH Asia
 - 2022 Stanford Club Badminton President
 - 2021 Stanford CS PhD Admissions Committee Member
 - 2021 Stanford Club Badminton Financial Officer