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RESEARCH INTERESTS	Computer Vision Functional Object and Scene Understanding Computer Graphics Physics-based Simulation Cognitive Science Computational Models of Perception and Action Robotics Functional Equivalent Manipulation Virtual Reality Extraordinary Environments and Abnormal Objects	
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AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIPS	Doctoral Student Travel Grants, UCLA Doctoral Student Travel Grants, UCLA Statistics Department Outstanding Reviewer, CVPR Sponsorship for VisionMeetsCognition Workshop at CVPR, Intel Fellowship, University of California, Los Angeles CUDA Hardware Donation Program for Researchers, Nvidia Honor Graduate Certificate, Xi'an Jiaotong University, China Google Scholarship, Google UCLA-CSST Scholarship, University of California, Los Angeles Samsung Scholarship, Samsung Excellent Student Scholarship, Xi'an Jiaotong University, China	2017 2017 2017 2017 2015 - 2017 2014 2012 2011 2011 2010 2008 - 2011
PEER-REVIEWED JOURNAL PAPERS	T. Ye*, S. Qi*, J. Kubricht, Y. Zhu , H. Lu, and S.-C. Zhu. (* Joint first authors) The Martian: Examining Human Physical Judgments Across Virtual Gravity Fields. IEEE Transactions on Visualization and Computer Graphics (TVCG) 2017.	
PEER-REVIEWED CONFERENCE PAPERS	M. Edmonds*, F. Gao*, X. Xie, H. Liu, Y. Zhu , B. Rothrock, and S.-C. Zhu. (* Joint first authors) Learning Complex Functional Manipulations by Human Demonstration and Fluent Discovery.	

Oral Presentation.

Proceedings of International Conference on Intelligent Robots and Systems (IROS), 2017.

H. Liu*, X. Xie*, M. Millar*, M. Edmonds, F. Gao,

Y. Zhu, V. J. Santos, B. Rothrock, and S.-C. Zhu. (★ Joint first authors)

A Glove-based System for Studying Hand-Object Manipulation via Pose and Force Sensing.

Oral Presentation.

Proceedings of International Conference on Intelligent Robots and Systems (IROS), 2017.

J. Kubricht*, **Y. Zhu***, C. Jiang*, D. Terzopoulos, S.-C. Zhu, and H. Lu. (★ Joint first authors)

Consistent Probabilistic Simulation Underlying Human Judgment in Substance Dynamics.

Oral Presentation.

Proceedings of the 39th Annual Conference of the Cognitive Science Society (CogSci), 2017.

J. Lin*, **Y. Zhu***, J. Kubricht*, S.-C. Zhu, and H. Lu. (★ Joint first authors)

Visuomotor Adaptation and Sensory Recalibration in Reversed Hand Movement Task.

Poster Presentation.

Proceedings of the 39th Annual Conference of the Cognitive Science Society (CogSci), 2017.

J. Lin*, X. Guo*, J. Shao*, C. Jiang, **Y. Zhu**, and S.-C. Zhu. (★ Joint first authors)

A Virtual Reality Platform for Dynamic Human-Scene Interaction.

Oral Presentation.

ACM SIGGRAPH Asia 2016, Workshop on Virtual Reality meets Physical Reality

W. Liang, Y. Zhao, **Y. Zhu**, and S.-C. Zhu.

What is Where: Inferring Containment Relations from Videos.

Oral Presentation.

Proceedings of the 25th International Joint Conference on Artificial Intelligence (IJCAI), 2016.

J. Kubricht*, C. Jiang*, **Y. Zhu***, S.-C. Zhu, D. Terzopoulos, and H. Lu. (★ Joint first authors)

Probabilistic Simulation Predicts Human Performance on Viscous Fluid-Pouring Problem.

Oral Presentation.

Proceedings of the 38th Annual Conference of the Cognitive Science Society (CogSci), 2016.

Y. Zhu*, C. Jiang*, Y. Zhao, D. Terzopoulos, and S.-C. Zhu. (★ Joint first authors)

Inferring Forces and Learning Human Utilities From Videos.

Oral Presentation.

Proceedings of the 29th Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR), 2016.

W. Liang, Y. Zhao, **Y. Zhu**, and S.-C. Zhu.

Evaluating Human Cognition of Containing Relations with Physical Simulation.

Oral Presentation.

Proceedings of the 37th Annual Conference of the Cognitive Science Society (CogSci), 2015.

Y. Zhu*, Y. Zhao*, and S.-C. Zhu. (★ Joint first authors)

Understanding Tools: Task-Oriented Object Modeling, Learning and Recognition.

Poster Presentation.

Proceedings of the 28th Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR), 2015.

PAPERS UNDER
REVIEW

C. Jiang*, **Y. Zhu***, S. Qi*, S. Huang*, D. Terzopoulos, and S.-C. Zhu. (★ Joint first authors)
Photorealistic, RGB-D Image and Ground Truth Synthesis by Sampling Stochastic Grammars
Representing Indoor Scenes.

Y. Zhu, S.-C. Zhu, and C. Jiang.

Learning Intangible Affordance from Videos by Inferring Temperature and Velocity Field in
3D Indoor Scenes.

X. Xie*, H. Liu*, M. Edmonds, F. Gao, S. Qi,
Y. Zhu, B. Rothrock, and S.-C. Zhu. (★ Joint first authors)
Unsupervised Learning of Hierarchical Models for Hand-Object Interactions using Tactile Glove.

S. Qi, **Y. Zhu**, S. Huang, and S.-C. Zhu.
Human-centric Indoor Scene Synthesis using Stochastic Grammar.

W. Liang, **Y. Zhu**, and S.-C. Zhu.
Tracking Occluded Objects and Recovering Incomplete Trajectories by Reasoning about Human Actions.

TECHNICAL
REPORTS

J. Jeon, K. Micinski, J. Vaughan, N. Reddy, **Y. Zhu**, J. Foster, and T. Millstein.
Dr. Android and Mr. Hide: Fine-grained security policies on unmodified Android.
Technical Reports of the Computer Science Department, University of Maryland, 2015.

PROFESSIONAL
SERVICES

Conference Organization

Co-chair, Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR) 2017 Workshop on
Vision meets Cognition: Functionality, Physics, Intentionality and Causality

Co-chair, SIGGRAPH Asia 2016 Workshop on
Virtual Reality meets Physical Reality: Modelling and Simulating Virtual Humans and Environments

Co-chair, CogSci 2016 Workshop on
Physical and Social Scene Understanding

Student Organizer, MURI Annual Review Meeting, UCLA, 2017.
Student Organizer, MURI Annual Review Meeting, Lake Arrowhead, 2015.

Peer-reviewed Journals and Conferences

Reviewer, International Journal of Computer Vision (IJCV) 2015-2016
Reviewer, Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR) 2015-2017
Reviewer, International Conference on Computer Vision (ICCV) 2015, 2017
Reviewer, British Machine Vision Conference (BMVC) 2017
Reviewer, Annual Conference of the Cognitive Science Society (CogSci) 2015-2017

Department and University Services

Faculty Leader, Peer Seminars in Math/Stat, UCLA-CSST, 2016

INVITED TALKS

Guest Lecture: How to Build a Cognitive Robot
at UCLA Communication Study 155: Artificial Intelligence and New Media May 2017

To Feel and Dream: Data for Intelligent Machine Beyond Images and Texts
at Teddy Talk in plenary session at CRESSTCON 2016 September 2016

Understanding Functionality and Affordance of Objects and Scenes
at Beijing Institute of Technology May 2016

Functionality and Affordance of Objects and Scenes
at Princeton Vision Group February 2016

Understanding Objects as Tools, Containers and Chairs

at UCLA Computational Vision and Learning Lab and UCLA Human Perception Lab
November 2015

Learning from Human Demonstration: Understanding Objects as Tools
at ONR MURI Annual Review Meeting September 2015

Understanding Tool Use: a Task-oriented Vision Problem
at ONR MURI Annual Review Meeting December 2014

What is a Tool? Going beyond what is where
at DARPA MSEE Annual Review Meeting September 2014

IN THE PRESS Our work on Scene Understanding was featured in UCLA Statistics Moments. June 2016

UCLA Daily Bruin Prime issued a special interview on our work.
Title: "Give a Robot a Flesh" May 2016

Our work on "Understanding Tools" was featured in Statistics Department News. June 2015

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 - Tian Ye, Master in Robotics, CMU, 2017 Fall
 - Xingwen Guo, Master in Computer Science, Yale, 2017 Fall
 - Chi Zhang, Master in Computer Science, UCLA, 2017 Fall

- Jingyu Shao, Master in Statistics, UCLA, 2016 Winter
- Yutong Zhang, Master in Computer Science, UCLA, 2015 Fall