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Education

- 09/2006 – 07/2008, PhD in Computer Science, Tsinghua University, Beijing, China
- 09/2003 – 07/2006, Master in Computer Science, Tsinghua University, Beijing, China
- 09/1999 – 07/2003, Bachelor in Computer Science, Tsinghua University, Beijing, China

Academic Employment

- 2020 – present, Cardiff University, Wales, UK
 - Professor, School of Computer Science and Informatics
 - Responsibilities: Teaching and Research
 - Areas of Interest: Computer Graphics, Geometry Processing, Computer Vision
- 2018 – 2020, Cardiff University, Wales, UK
 - Reader, School of Computer Science and Informatics
- 2016 – 2018, Cardiff University, Wales, UK
 - Senior Lecturer, School of Computer Science and Informatics
- 2009 – 2016, Cardiff University, Wales, UK
 - Lecturer in Visual Computing, School of Computer Science and Informatics
- 2008 – 2009, Tsinghua University, Beijing, China
 - Research Fellow at Visual Media Research Center, Dept. of Computer Science and Technology

Academic Visit

- 10/2007 – 04/2008, Computer Science Department, Stony Brook University, Stony Brook, NY, USA

Teaching Activities

- 20/19, 17/18, 16/17, 15/16, 14/15, 13/14, 12/13 Spring CMT205 Object-Oriented Development with Java (shared with Dr. Y. Li/M. Morgan)
- 20/19, 17/18, 16/17, 15/16 Spring CM1208 Maths for Computer Science
- 20/19 CMT307 Applied Machine Learning (shared with Dr. J. Camacho Collados/Dr. Y. Li)
- 17/18, 16/17, 15/16 Spring CM2208 Scientific Computing (shared with Prof. A.D. Marshall)
- 17/18, 16/17, 15/16 Autumn CM2104 Computational Mathematics (shared with Prof. A. D. Marshall)
- 14/15, 13/14, 12/13, 11/12 Spring CM1203: Fundamentals of Computing with Java (shared with M. Morgan)
- 14/15, 13/14, 12/13, 11/12 Spring CM2202: Scientific Computing and Multimedia Applications (shared with Prof. A. D. Marshall and Dr. S. Schockaert)

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- 11/12, 10/11, 09/10 Autumn & Spring CMT912: Programming (shared with Prof. R. R. Martin)
 - 10/11 Autumn: CM0340: Multimedia
 - 10/11, 09/10 Spring CM0268: Data audio graphics & image signal processing with MATLAB (shared with Prof. A. D. Marshall)
 - 09/10 Spring CMT502: Data Structures and Algorithms (shared with Dr. X. Sun)

Research Projects

- Intelligent shape editing with robust feature analysis, EPSRC, 12/2010-7/2012, PI
- Using mosaicing for finite element meshing, 10/2010-10/2013, Airbus (PhD Studentship), CoI
- Small items of research equipment at Cardiff University, EPSRC, 11/2012-3/2013, CoI
- Intrinsic Voronoi/Delaunay structure on manifold mesh and its applications in visual computing. Royal Society Newton Advanced Fellowship, 3/2016-2/2020, UK lead.
- Data-driven realistic human motion reconstruction. Royal Society Newton Mobility Grant, 4/2016-3/2018, UK lead.
- Perceptual shape optimisation for 3D printing. Royal Society. 3/2018-3/2021, PI.
- Structural analysis of stereoscopic 360-degree video for mixed reality. Royal Society, 9/2018-8/2020, PI.
- Data driven geometric reconstruction from single images. Natural Science Foundation of China, 1/2019-12/2020, PI.
- Deep Representations for Analysis and Reconstruction of 3D Shapes with Complex Structure and Rich Details, Newton Advanced Fellowship (12/2019-11/2021), UK lead.
- China-UK Workshop on Visual Signal Cognition and Understanding, PI (1/2020-6/2021), British Council and NSF China.

Publications

Edited Book

1. “RGB-D Image Analysis and Processing”, editors P.L. Rosin, **Y.-K. Lai**, L. Shao, Y. Liu, Springer, ISBN 978-3-030-28603-3, 2019.

Journal Articles

1. R. Yi, M. Xia, Y.-J. Liu, **Y.-K. Lai**, P. L. Rosin, “Line drawings for face portraits from photos using global and local structure based GANs”, *IEEE Transactions on Pattern Analysis and Machine Intelligence*, to appear.
2. S. Yang, B.-C. Li, Y.-P. Cao, H. Fu, **Y.-K. Lai**, L. Kobbelt, S.-M. Hu, “Noise-resilient reconstruction of panoramas and 3D scenes using robot-mounted unsynchronized commodity RGB-D cameras”, *ACM Transactions on Graphics*, to appear.
3. R. Yi, Z. Ye, W. Zhao, M. Yu, **Y.-K. Lai**, Y.-J. Liu, “Feature-aware uniform tessellations on video manifold for content-sensitive supervoxels”, *IEEE Transactions on Pattern Analysis and Machine Intelligence*, to appear.
4. Y.-J. Liu, Y. Han, Z. Ye, **Y.-K. Lai**, “Ranking-preserving cross-source learning for image retargeting quality assessment”, *IEEE Transactions on Pattern Analysis and Machine Intelligence*, to appear.

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5. Y.-L. Qiao, **Y.-K. Lai**, H. Fu, L. Gao, “Synthesizing mesh deformation sequences with bidirectional LSTM”, *IEEE Transactions on Visualization and Computer Graphics*, to appear.
 6. Y.-L. Qiao, L. Gao, J. Yang, P. L. Rosin, **Y.-K. Lai**, X. Chen, “Learning on 3D meshes with Laplacian encoding and pooling”, *IEEE Transactions on Visualization and Computer Graphics*, to appear.
 7. L. Gao, L.-X. Zhang, H.-Y. Meng, Y.-H. Ren, **Y.-K. Lai**, L. Kobbelt, “PRS-Net: planar reflective symmetry detection net for 3D models”, *IEEE Transactions on Visualization and Computer Graphics*, to appear.
 8. K. Li, J. Zhang, Y. Liu, **Y.-K. Lai**, Q. Dai, “PoNA: pose-guided non-local attention for human pose transfer”, *IEEE Transactions on Image Processing*, to appear.
 9. B. Li, **Y.-K. Lai**, P. L. Rosin, “Sparse graph regularized mesh color edit propagation”, *IEEE Transactions on Image Processing*, to appear.
 10. J. Yang, J. Xu, K. Li, **Y.-K. Lai**, H. Yue, J. Lu, H. Wu, Y. Liu, “Learning to reconstruct and understand indoor scenes from sparse views”, *IEEE Transactions on Image Processing*, to appear.
 11. X. Du, C. Ma, G. Zhang, J. Li, **Y.-K. Lai**, G. Zhao, X. Deng, Y.-J. Liu, H. Wang, “An efficient LSTM network for emotion recognition from multichannel EEG signals”, *IEEE Transactions on Affective Computing*, to appear.
 12. Y. Zhang, **Y.-K. Lai**, F.-L. Zhang, “Content-preserving image stitching with piecewise rectangular boundary constraints”, *IEEE Transactions on Visualization and Computer Graphics*, to appear.
 13. S. Zhang, Z. Han, **Y.-K. Lai**, M. Zwicker, H. Zhang, “Active arrangement of small objects in 3D indoor scenes”, *IEEE Transactions on Visualization and Computer Graphics*, to appear.
 14. L. Gao, **Y.-K. Lai**, J. Yang, L.-X. Zhang, S. Xia, L. Kobbelt, “Sparse data driven mesh deformation”, *IEEE Transactions on Visualization and Computer Graphics*, to appear.
 15. S. Yang, B. Li, M. Liu, **Y.-K. Lai**, L. Kobbelt, S.-M. Hu, “HeteroFusion: dense scene reconstruction integrating multi-sensors”, *IEEE Transactions on Visualization and Computer Graphics*, to appear.
 16. S.-M. Hu, J.-X. Cai, **Y.-K. Lai**, “Semantic Labeling and Instance Segmentation of 3D Point Clouds using Patch Context Analysis and Multiscale Processing”, *IEEE Transactions on Visualization and Computer Graphics*, to appear.
 17. Y.-J. Liu, B.-J. Li, **Y.-K. Lai**, “Sparse MDMO: learning a discriminative feature for micro-expression recognition”, *IEEE Transactions on Affective Computing*, to appear.
 18. J. Zhang, C. Li, Q. Song, L. Gao, **Y.-K. Lai**, “Automatic 3D tooth segmentation using convolutional neural networks in harmonic parameter space”, *Graphical Models*, to appear.
 19. J. Yang, X. Guo, K. Li, M. Wang, **Y.-K. Lai**, F. Wu, “Spatio-temporal reconstruction for 3D motion recovery”, *IEEE Transactions on Circuits and Systems for Video Technology*, to appear.
 20. D. She, J. Yang, M.-M. Cheng, **Y.-K. Lai**, P. L. Rosin, L. Wang, “WSCNet: weakly supervised coupled networks for visual sentiment classification and detection”, *IEEE Transactions on Multimedia*, to appear.

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21. X. Yao, S. Zhao, **Y.-K. Lai**, D. She, J. Liang, J. Yang, “APSE: attention-aware polarity sensitive embedding for emotion-based image retrieval”, *IEEE Transactions on Multimedia*, to appear.
 22. M.-M. Cheng, X.-C. Liu, J. Wang, S.-P. Lu, **Y.-K. Lai**, P. L. Rosin, “Structure-preserving neural style transfer”, *IEEE Transactions on Image Processing*, vol. 29, pp. 909-920, 2020.
 23. M.-Y. Cui, S.-P. Lu, M. Wang, Y.-L. Yang, **Y.-K. Lai**, P. L. Rosin, “3D computational modeling and perceptual analysis of kinetic depth effects”, *Computational Visual Media*, to appear.
 24. F. Langenfeld, Y. Peng, **Y.-K. Lai**, P. L. Rosin, et al. “SHREC2020 track: multi-domain protein shape retrieval challenge”, *Computers and Graphics*, to appear.
 25. R. M Dyke, **Y.-K. Lai**, P. L. Rosin, S. Zappala, S. Dykes, D. Guo, K. Li, R. Martin, S. Melzi, J. Yang, “SHREC’20: shape correspondence with non-isometric deformations”, *Computers and Graphics*, to appear.
 26. H. M. Htike, T. Margrain, **Y.-K. Lai**, P. Elsambolchilar, “Ability of head-mounted display technology to improve mobility in people with low vision: a systematic review”, *Translational Vision Science & Technology*, to appear.
 27. Y.-P. Xiao, **Y.-K. Lai**, F.-L. Zhang, C. Li, L. Gao, “A survey on deep geometry learning: from a representation perspective”, *Computational Visual Media*, to appear.
 28. Z. Jiang, H. Yue, **Y.-K. Lai**, J. Yang, Y. Hou, C. Hou, “Deep edge map guided depth super resolution”, *Signal Processing: Image Communication*, to appear.
 29. S. Xu, **Y.-K. Lai**, “Simultaneous multi-attribute image-to-image translation using parallel latent transform networks”, *Computer Graphics Forum*, to appear.
 30. L. Gao, J. Yang, T. Wu, Y.-J. Yuan, H. Fu, **Y.-K. Lai**, H. Zhang, “SDM-NET: Deep generative network for structured deformable mesh”, *ACM Transactions on Graphics (SIGGRAPH Asia 2019)*, vol. 38(6), pp. 243, 2019.
 31. K. Li, J. Yang, **Y.-K. Lai**, D. Guo, “Robust non-rigid registration with reweighted position and transformation sparsity”, *IEEE Transactions on Visualization and Computer Graphics*, vol. 25(6), pp. 2255-2269, 2019.
 32. K. Li, J. Yang, D. Guo, Z. Wu, **Y.-K. Lai**, “Global 3D non-rigid registration of deformable objects using a single RGB-D camera”, *IEEE Transactions on Image Processing*, vol. 28(10), pp. 4746-4761, 2019.
 33. B. Li, **Y.-K. Lai**, M. John, P. L. Rosin, “Automatic example-based image colorization using location-aware cross-scale matching”, *IEEE Transactions on Image Processing*, vol. 28(9), pp. 4606-4619, 2019.
 34. H.-H. Zhao, P. L. Rosin, **Y.-K. Lai**, “Block compressive sensing for solder joint images with wavelet packet thresholding”, *IEEE Transactions on Components, Packaging and Manufacturing Technology*, vol. 9(6), pp. 1190-1199, 2019.
 35. K. Li, J. Liu, **Y.-K. Lai**, J. Yang, “Generating 3D faces using multi-column graph convolutional networks”, *Computer Graphics Forum*, vol. 38(7), pp. 215-224, 2019.
 36. E. Krumhuber, **Y.-K. Lai**, P. L. Rosin, K. Hugenberg, “When facial expressions do and do not signal minds: The role of face inversion, expression dynamism, and emotion type”, *Emotion*, vol. 19(4), pp. 746-750, 2019.
 37. J.-X. Cai, T.-J. Mu, **Y.-K. Lai**, S.-M. Hu, “Deep point-based scene labelling with depth

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38. Y.-J. Yuan, **Y.-K. Lai**, T. Wu, S. Xia, L. Gao, “Data-driven weight optimization for real-time mesh deformation”, *Graphical Models*, vol. 104, 2019.
 39. T. Wang, D. George, **Y.-K. Lai**, X. Xie, G. K.L. Tam, “Consistent segment-wise matching with multi-layer graphs”, *Computer Aided Geometric Design*, vol. 70, pp. 31-45, 2019.
 40. R. Dyke, **Y.-K. Lai**, P. L. Rosin, G. K.L. Tam, “Non-rigid registration under anisotropic deformations”, *Computer Aided Geometric Design*, vol. 71, pp. 142-156, 2019.
 41. S. Zhang, Z. Han, **Y.-K. Lai**, M. Zwicker, H. Zhang, “Stylistic scene enhancement GAN: mixed stylistic enhancement generation for 3D indoor scenes”, *The Visual Computer*, vol. 35(6-8), pp. 1157-1169, 2019.
 42. Y. Zhang, **Y.-K. Lai**, F.-L. Zhang, “Stereoscopic image stitching with rectangular boundaries”, *The Visual Computer*, vol. 35(6-8), pp. 823-835, 2019.
 43. H.-H. Zhao, P. L. Rosin, **Y.-K. Lai**, J.-H. Zheng, Y.-N. Wang, “Adaptive gradient-based block compressive sensing with sparsity for noisy images”, *Multimedia Tools and Applications*, to appear.
 44. H.-H. Zhao, P. L. Rosin, **Y.-K. Lai**, Y.-N. Wang, “Automatic semantic style transfer using deep convolutional neural networks and soft masks”, *The Visual Computer*, to appear.
 45. Y. Liu, **Y.-K. Lai**, Z. Wang, H. Yan, “A new learning approach to malware classification using discriminative feature extraction”, *IEEE Access*, vol. 7, pp. 13015-13023, 2019.
 46. H.-H. Zhao, P. L. Rosin, **Y.-K. Lai**, M.-G. Lin, Q.-Y. Liu, “Image neural style transfer with global and local optimization fusion”, *IEEE Access*, vol. 7, pp. 85573-85580, 2019.
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- vol. 4(2), pp. 123-137, 2018.
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 56. K. Li, J. Yang, L. Liu, R. Boulic, **Y.-K. Lai**, Y. Liu, Y. Li, E. Molla. “SPA: Sparse Photorealistic Animation Using a Single RGB-D Camera”, *IEEE Transactions on Circuits and Systems for Video Technology*, vol. 27(4), pp. 771-783, 2017.
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Honours and Awards

- Computers & Graphics Valuable Reviewer Award 2013-2014
- National Excellent Doctoral Dissertation of China Award, 2010.
- First-Class Excellent Doctoral Thesis, Tsinghua University, 2008
- Excellent PhD Graduate, Dept. of Computer Science and Technology, Tsinghua University, 2008.
- Microsoft Research Asia Fellowship, 2007.
- First-class Scholarship for Excellent Students in Tsinghua University (Morgan Stanley Scholarship), 2006.
- First-class Scholarship for Excellent Students in Tsinghua University (Sony Scholarship), 2002.
- Gold medal in National Olympiad in Informatics (NOI) of China, 1998.

Admin. Roles

- 2019- present: Director of Research
- 2017-2019: Deputy Director of Research
- 2017-2018: Deputy Director of PGR Studies
- 2017-2018: School Seminar Co-ordinator
- 2009-2017: Year 2 Tutor

Other Activities

- Welsh Crucible 2015 participant

Professional Activities

Journal editorial board member

- Computer Graphics Forum (since Jul. 2019)
- The Visual Computer (since Nov. 2012)

Conference Co-Chair

- Computational Visual Media 2016
- Eurographics Symposium on Geometry Processing 2014

Workshop Co-Chair:

- ACCV workshop on RGB-D sensing and understanding via combined colour and depth (2018)
- BMVA technical meeting on analysis and processing of RGBD data (2017)
- PSIVT workshop on Vision meets Graphics (2017)

Program committee member

- ACM Symposium on Solid and Physical Modeling, SIAM Conference on Geometric & Physical Modeling (SPM 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020)
- Eurographics Symposium on Geometry Processing (SGP 2014, 2015, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020)
- Geometric Modeling and Processing (GMP 2012, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018)
- British Machine Vision Conference (BMVC) Reviewer (2015, 2016, 2017) Area Chair (2018, 2019, 2020)
- Computer Graphics International (CGI 2018, 2019, 2020)
- Pacific Graphics (PG 2012, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018)
- International Symposium on Visual Computing (ISVC 2018, 2019, 2020)
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- SIGGRAPH Asia Briefs and Posters 2014, 2015, 2016
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- Computational Visual Media (CVM 2012, 2013, 2015, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020)
- IEEE Computer-Aided Design and Computer Graphics (CAD/Graphics 2011, 2013, 2015, 2017)
- Eurographics 2011 Short Papers
- Intl. Conf. on Computer Animation and Social Agents (CASA 2010)
- Computer Graphics & Visual Computing (CGVC 2014-2020)
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