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EDUCATION

PeKing University

Beijing, China

Bachelor of Information and Computing Science GPA: 3.6/4.0

Sept 2022 – Present (expected Jul 2026)

PUBLICATIONS (* denotes equal contribution)

GarmentLab: A Unified Simulation and Benchmark for Garment Manipulation

Haoran Lu*, Ruihai Wu*, Yitong Li*, Sijie Li, Ziyu Zhu, Chuanruo Ning,

Yan Shen, Longzan Luo, Yuanpei Chen, Hao Dong

NeurIPS 2024. Garmentlab.github.io Z

Award: Spotlight Presentation at ICRA 2024 Workshop on Deformable Object Manipulation.

- We propose GarmentLab Environment, a realistic and rich environment for garment manipulation.
- We propose the first real-world garment manipulation benchmark that can be reproduced internationally.
- We integrate different sim2real methods and teleoperation into GarmentLab.

GarmentPile: Point-Level Visual Affordance Guided Retrieval and Adaptation for Cluttered Garments Manipulation Ruihai Wu*, Ziyu Zhu*, Yuran Wang*, Yue Chen, Jiarui Wang, Hao Dong

CVPR 2025. GarmentPile.github.io

Award: Best Poster Finalist at IROS 2025 Workshop on Robotic Manipulation of Deformable Objects.

- We propose to study the novel task of cluttered garments manipulation and build the pioneering environment.
- We introduce point-level affordance learning for cluttered garments manipulation.
- We further develop the adaptation module guided by affordance to efficiently adapt the cluttered garments.

DexGarmentLab: Dexterous Garment Manipulation Environment with Generalizable Policy

Yuran Wang*, Ruihai Wu*, Yue Chen*, Jiarui Wang, Jiaqi Liang, Ziyu Zhu,

Haoran Geng, Jitendra Malik, Pieter Abbeel, Hao Dong

NeurIPS 2025, Spotlight DexGarmentLab.github.io

- We introduce a realistic simulation environment for bimanual dexterous garment manipulation.
- We propose a new benchmark, and efficient data collection pipeline, and a novel policy framework based on this environment.

Sparse Meets Dense: Correspondence Guided Robotic Manipulation with Rigid-Deformable Interactions

Ziyu Zhu*, Ruihai Wu*, Yue Chen, Xirui Liang, Hojin Bae, Yuran Wang, Hao Dong

Under Review ICRA 2026. sparse-meets-dense.github.io

- We formulate contact-rich interactions between rigid and deformable bodies as optimization problems with keypoint constraints;
- We introduce sparse keypoints and dense correspondences to extract and track task-related physical information;

RESEARCH

Hyperplane Lab, Center on Frontiers of Computing Studies, Peking University

Research Intern - Mentor: Prof. Hao Dong and Dr. Ruihai Wu

Projects: GarmentPile, Sparse Meets Dense

- Explore the dense representation for dexterous robot manipulation on multiple deformable objects.
- Explore the representation for interactions between rigid and deformable objects.
- Build realistic simulation environments and new benchmarks for deformable objects manipulation.

Summer Intern of University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign

Research Intern - Mentor: Prof. Shenlong Wang

Projects: World Model for Robotics

- Develop a transformer-based 3D world model to predict fine-grained interactions between objects.
- o Build a large-scale 3D object interaction dataset based on the IsaacLab.
- Explore techniques to improve the model's understanding of object geometry, material, and contact information.

SKILLS

Languages: Chinese (native), English (TOEFL 102, Speaking 25)

Deep Learning Frameworks: Pytorch, Numpy

Simulator: Simulator establishing and using including IsaacSim, IsaacLab

RealWorld Robot: Familiar with real-world robotic arms including Franka, UR, Shadow Hand

HONORS & AWARDS

Peking University Merit Student Award	2025
Huawei Scholarship	2025