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EDUCATION

Purdue University (*Ph.D. Candidate in Computer Science*, GPA: **3.94/4.0**) 06/2019 – est.2024, West Lafayette, IN

- RA in CGVLab (Computer Graphics and Visualization Lab) since 2019
- Honors: 2024 Purdue Merit Recognition Award (\$1500, for high-profile research)

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill (*M.A. in Geography*) 08/2017 – 05/2019, Chapel Hill, NC

- RA in Remote Sensing and Ecological Modeling Lab

Wuhan University (*B.E. in Remote Sensing*, GPA: **3.75/4.0**, Top: **2%**) 09/2013 – 06/2017, Wuhan, P.R.C.

- Honors: Microsoft Scholarship (1/248); Best graduation thesis (Top: 1%)

INTERNSHIP

Multi-modal LLM Agent for 3D World Synthesis 03/2024 – 06/2024, Baidu Research, USA

- Proposed vision LLM (VLLM) agentic workflow for 3D generation, simulation, and animation given multi-modal prompts.
- Designed **multi-agent reflection** and **collaboration** for complex instructions of 3D Engine tool usage (Blender, etc.).
- Finetuned advanced VLLM agents for video, image, and text understanding and comprehensive evaluation of synthesis.

Diffusion-Based Document Layout Generation 05/2022 – 08/2022, Azure Cognitive, Microsoft Research

- Proposed a **diffusion** model (DM) with **Transformer** backbone for document layout synthesis.
- Designed extendable model structure for simultaneous generation of layout and text content for multilingual verticals.
- Discovered the user guidance by prompts obtained by pre-trained CLIP for controllable generation given real document images.

RESEARCH

Infinite and Scalable Context-Sensitive Layout Synthesis 06/2023 – 03/2024, Purdue Univ.

- Established graph-based Masked Autoencoder (MAE) of infinite 3D urban layout synthesis given any prompts.
- Unified a canonical graph representation by scalable **Vector Quantization** of arbitrary layouts for context-aware synthesis.
- Released comprehensive 3D city layout dataset for 330+ cities in the North America.

Arbitrary-Shaped Urban Layout Generation 06/2021 – 05/2023, Purdue Univ.

- Designed generative Graph Attention Network (GAT) to generate realistic 3D building layouts given arbitrary road networks.
- Proposed a generalized canonical geometric representation of layout designs independent to arbitrary-shaped canvas.
- Implemented city-scale urban simulation and social-climate risk prediction for 330+ cities in the North America.

Globalwise Styled-Controlled Building Modeling by Staged GANs 06/2019 – 05/2021, Purdue Univ.

- Designed staged GANs for large-scale building segmentation with extreme upsampling refinement (**10x**).
- Utilized learned priors as style control to generate footprints with plausible instance-level metric. Beat SOTA by at least **15%**.
- Deployed a cross-platform interactive GUI with **Google Cloud** for crowd-source data collection, processing and distributing.

Multi-Modal Continental Land Cover Segmentation 08/2017 – 05/2018, UNC at Chapel Hill

- Accomplished U-Net-based segmentation to continental-scale land cover monitoring of entire Southeastern U.S.
- Implemented dense segmentation across prevailing satellite constellations, achieved over **80%** average precision.

Rule-Based Recognition and 3D modeling of Pole-Shaped Objects (Project Leader) 05/2015 – 06/2017, Wuhan Univ.

- Implemented multi-modal calibrations of camera, LiDAR, and IMU for mobile **SLAM** system. (Patent No. 201511000640.3)
- Integrated in **Unity** GUI to enable “one-click” **rule-based** 3D reconstruction of urban poles with over 90% accuracy.

HIGHLIGHTED PUBLICATIONS

He, L., & Aliaga, D. (2024). Context-Sensitive City-Scale Urban Layout Generation using Graph Masked Autoencoder. (Under Review)

He, L., & Aliaga, D. (2023). GlobalMapper: Arbitrary-Shaped Urban Layout Generation. In *Proceedings of the IEEE/CVF International Conference on Computer Vision* (pp. 454-464).

He, L., Lu, Y., Corring, J., Florencio, D., Zhang, C. (2023). Diffusion-Based Document Layout Generation. (Oral) *Document Analysis and Recognition - ICDAR 2023. Lecture Notes in Computer Science*, vol 14187. Springer, Cham.

He, L., Shan, J., Aliaga, D. (2023). Generative Building Feature Estimation from Satellite Images. *IEEE Transactions on Geoscience and Remote Sensing*.

Patel, P., Kalyanam, R., He, L., Aliaga, D., & Niyogi, D. (2023). Deep Learning based Urban Morphology for City-scale Environmental Modeling. *PNAS Nexus*, pgad027.

Zhang, X., Ma, W., Varinlioglu, G., Rauh, N., He, L., & Aliaga, D. (2022). Guided pluralistic building contour completion. *The Visual Computer*, 1-12.

Bhatt, M., Kalyanam, R., Nishida, G., He, L., May, C., Niyogi, D., & Aliaga, D. (2020). Design and Deployment of Photo2Building: A Cloud-based Procedural Modeling Tool as a Service. In *Practice and Experience in Advanced Research Computing* (pp. 132-138).

Wang, L., Huang, Y., Shan, J., & He, L. (2018). MSNet: Multi-Scale Convolutional Network for Point Cloud Classification. *Remote Sensing*, 10(4), 612.

SKILL

Languages: C++ | Python | C | JAVA | Matlab | R

Libraries: Pytorch | OpenCV | OpenGL | Qt | Tensorflow | Pthread

Tools & OS: Linux | Git | LLVM | Google Cloud | Unity | Google Earth Engine