Dingjia Lin

Education _

PhD University of Manchester, UK

03/2021 - 01/2025

- Supervisor: Prof. Zhiguo Ding (FIEEE) 🗹
- · Department of Electrical and Electronic Engineering
- Graduation Thesis: The Application of Optimization Techniques in Back-Com NOMA Networks. Link

MSC University of Southampton, UK

09/2019 - 12/2020

- · School of Electronics and Computer Science
- · Mobile Communication and Smart Networking

MSC University of Sheffield, UK

09/2017 - 12/2018

- Department of Electronic and Electrical Engineering
- · Electrical and Electronic Engineering

BEng Chongqing University of Posts and Telecommunications, China

09/2013 - 06/2017

- College of Communication and Information Engineering
- · Communication Engineering

Experience _____

King's College London, Research Associate

London, UK Oct. 2024 – Apr. 2025

• Research on the optimization process edge computing in the cell-free and massive MIMO networks. (Supervisor: Prof. Toktam Mahmoodi ☑)

Manchester, UK Sept. 2021 – Jan. 2025

University of Manchester, General Teaching Assistant

 Assisted in delivering tutorials, marking coursework, and supporting students in undergraduate-level modules.

Project _____

Latency/Power Optimization in Cell-free Massive MIMO MEC System

Oct. 2024 - Apr. 2025

- Research scope: Developed a cell-free massive MIMO MEC system integrating coordinated multi-point (CoMP) transmission and user-specific resource allocation.
- <u>Challenges addressed</u>: Minimized maximum task latency under individual power limits and total power consumption under latency constraints.
- <u>Techniques used</u>: Formulated joint latency and power optimization problems and solved them using a low-complexity successive convex approximation (SCA) algorithm.
- <u>Key contributions</u>: Demonstrated that the proposed CoMP-enabled architecture outperforms traditional massive MIMO and cell-free MIMO in both latency and power efficiency.

The Application of Optimization Techniques in BackCom NOMA Networks

Sept. 2021 – Jan. 2025

- <u>Research scope</u>: Modeled and optimized BackCom-NOMA systems for uplink/downlink performance across single- and multi-cell scenarios.
- <u>Challenges addressed</u>: Tackled joint beamforming and reflection design, BS-device association, energy efficiency under imperfect CSI, and outage reduction.
- <u>Techniques used</u>: Applied SDR, Dinkelbach, SCA, matching theory, S-procedure, and Bernstein inequality.

• <u>Key contributions</u>: Published four journal papers with novel frameworks and low-complexity algorithms for robust BackCom-NOMA deployment.

Research Interests _

- Pinching Antenna System
- Integrated Sensing and Communications (ISAC)

Cell-Free

- Non-Orthogonal Multiple Access (NOMA)
- Edge Computing
- Fluid Antenna System (FAS)

• Cognitive Radio

• Backscatter Communication (BackCom)

Massive MIMO

- Visible Light Communication (VLC)
- Matching Theory
- Convex/Non-Convex Optimization

Publications

[J4] EE Maximization with Imperfect CSI at Transmitter in BackCom NOMA System

Apr 2025

Dingjia Lin, Suhaib M. Al-Basit, Kaidi Wang, Zhiguo Ding

in IEEE Transactions on Vehicular Technology, vol. 74, no. 8, pp. 12727-12739, Aug. 2025, doi: 10.1109/TVT.2025.3557244 ☑

• Developed a robust optimization framework incorporating CSI uncertainty, solved via Dinkelbach, S-procedure, and SROCR techniques.

[J3] Energy-Efficiency Maximization in Backscatter Communication Based Non-Orthogonal Multiple Access System: Dinkelbach and Successive Convex Approximation Approaches

Aug 2024

Dingjia Lin, Tianqi Wang, Kaidi Wang, Zhiguo Ding

in IET Signal Processing, 2024, 4107801, 12 pages

doi: 10.1049/2024/4107801

• Jointly optimized beamforming and reflection coefficients under different decoding strategies using Dinkelbach and SCA algorithms to improve energy efficiency.

[C1] Uplink Data Rate Maximization with Channel Uncertainties in BackCom NOMA System

Jul 2024

Dingjia Lin, Suhaib M. Al-Basit, Kaidi Wang, Zhiguo Ding

2024 International Symposium on Wireless Communication Systems (ISWCS), Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, 2024, pp. 1-6 doi: 10.1109/ISWCS61526.2024.10639114 🗹

• Optimized sum uplink rate under AP-side CSI uncertainty using S-procedure and SDR, solved via alternating optimization.

[J2] Uplink Data Rate Maximization in Multi-Cell BackCom NOMA Systems

Jan 2024

Dingjia Lin, Kaidi Wang, Tianqi Wang, Zhiguo Ding

in IEEE Open Journal of the Communications Society, vol. 5, pp. 526-539, 2024

doi: 10.1109/OJCOMS.2023.3349277 🗹

 Addressed BS-BD association and reflection optimization using matching theory and iterative algorithms to enhance sum-rate and reduce outage.

[J1] Beamforming Design for BackCom Assisted NOMA Systems

May 2023

Dingjia Lin, Kanapathippillai Cumanan, Zhiguo Ding

in IEEE Wireless Communications Letters, vol. 12, no. 9, pp. 1494-1498, Sept. 2023

doi: 10.1109/LWC.2023.3279668

• Proposed an uplink rate maximization framework with downlink QoS guarantees in BackCom-NOMA systems using semidefinite relaxation (SDR).

Publications (Submitted and in Preparation)

[P2] Cell-Free Networks Versus Massive MIMO: Optimizing Power Efficiency and Task Offloading

Submitted

Dingjia Lin, Stefano Buzzi, Toktam Mahmoodi

• Designed a CoMP-enabled cell-free massive MIMO MEC system and minimized latency and power via a low-complexity SCA-based optimization scheme.

[P1] Power Minimization in FAS Assisted NOMA Networks

in Preparation

Dingjia Lin, Kaidi Wang, Tianqi Wang, Zhiguo Ding

Peer Reviewer

- IEEE Transactions on Communications (IEEE TCOM)
- IEEE Transactions on Vehicular Technology (IEEE TVT)
- · Annals of Telecommunications
- IEEE International Symposium on Wireless Communication Systems (ISWCS 2024)

Additional Skills ____

IT Skills: Python, MATLAB, ŁTĘX, MS Office, Photoshop, Lightroom.

Languages: English – fluent, Chinese – native.

Interests: Photography; Reading; Astronomical Observation; Writing

Referee .

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