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EDUCATION

University of Pennsylvania

Philadelphia, PA, USA

Master in Robotics & Master in Computer and Information Science; GPA: 3.90 Shanghai Jiao Tong University

Aug. 2023 - May. 2026(expected) Shanghai, China

Bachelor in Mechanical Engineering; GPA: 3.6/4.0

Sept. 2020 - Jun. 2024

Honors and Rewards

National Undergraduate Mechanical Innovational Design Competition, 2022 International Genetically Engineered Machine Competition (iGEM), 2022

First Prize (Top 10)

Gold Medal

Toyota Boshoku Scholarship, 2021

Changjiang-Siyuan Kechuang Scholarship (Changjiang-Siyuan Scholarship for Scientific Innovation), 2022 Outstanding Bachelor's Graduate of SJTU, 2024

Publications

- 1. Yiming Liu, Lijun Han, Enlin Gu, Hesheng Wang, "Learning a General Model: Folding Clothing with Topological Dynamics", arXiv preprint. [pdf]
 - Developed a clothing folding workflow for multi-layered clothing like jackets using topological skeleton;
 - Used **semantic augmentation** to analyze self-occlusion and decompose clothing structure;
 - Used **keypoint detection** to generate a novel topological skeleton to represent the clothing state;
 - Deployed an improved **Graph Neural Network** (GNN) to predict the deformation of clothing for control;
- 2. Yongzhou Long, Zhuang Zhang, Zhuowei Xu, Enlin Gu, Qiujie Lu, Hao Wang, Genliang Chen, "Lightweight and Powerful Vacuum-Driven Gripper With Bioinspired Elastic Spine", IEEE Robotics and Automation Letters, vol.8, no.12, pp.8136-8143, 2023. [pdf]
 - Developed a durable, rapid, and powerful vacuum-driven soft gripper inspired by elastic spine;
 - The designed gripper has a maximum grasping force over 50N and endures 10000+ cycles;
 - Carrying out quasi-static analysis to predict the bending behavior with high model accuracy;

Selected Projects

Game-theoretic AI Coaching

08/2025 - Present

Safe Autonomous Systems Lab, UPenn

Instructor: Prof. Haimin Hu, Rahul Mangharam

- Developing a game-theory based AI Coaching policy for robot racing;
- Trying a sim-to-sim policy migration from a gym to a simulator with physics and rendering;

Simple VIO-based Navigation System for Autonomous Quadrotor

03/2024 - 05/2024

MEAM 6200 Advanced Robotics Course Project, UPenn

Instructor: Prof. Ani Hsieh

- Developed a quadrotor able to pass narrow windows and find a way through a maze;
- Implemented Error State Kalman Filter for local perception; Used Dijkstra and A* for local planning;
- Implemented RDP and Min-Jerk for trajectory generation and geometric PD controller for control;

Bionic Underwater Robotic Fish

05/2022 - 06/2023

- National Undergraduate Mechanical Innovational Design Competition
- Developed a robot fish using **crank rocker** mechanism with **adjustable centerline** to swim & take turns;
- Designed a compliant tail and modeled the motion using **principle axis decomposition** with MATLAB:
- First Prize & Good Creative Design Prize (Top 10 teams in China); Headline on SJTU homepage;

DL-ecGEM (Deep Learning - Enzyme Constraints GEM)

12/2021 - 10/2022

International Genetically Engineered Machine Competition

Instructor: Prof. Chaochun Wei

Instructor: Prof. Genliang Chen

- Developed a generalized modeling online software for Acarbose production simulation and enzyme prediction;
- Used optimization for reaction simulation; Learn missing K_{cat} values in the Actinobacteria protein database;
- Gold Prize @ iGEM 2022; Headline on SJTU homepage; Project website here: website

SKILLS

- Programming: Python, MATLAB, C/C++, SQL, Ubuntu, Docker, Robot Operating System (ROS), Git
- Hardware: Arduino, ESP32; Solidworks; (CNC) Lathe, Milling; Basic Design & Fabrication Skills;