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Education Nanyang Technological University, Singapore

2011-2016

Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.), Electrical and Electronic Engineering

- Thesis: Augmented Distributed Optimization for Networked Systems
- Advisor: Prof. Yeng Chai Soh and Prof. Lihua Xie (IEEE Fellow, IFAC Fellow)

Shandong University, Jinan, China

2005-2009

Bachelor of Science (B.Sc.), Mechanical Engineering

Research Interests

- Distributed Optimization, Learning and Control
- Distributed Feedback Optimization
- Data Privacy and Algorithm Security
- Multi-Robot Systems

Academic Positions

Zhejiang University, Hangzhou, China

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Professor (ZJU100 Talents Program), College of Control Science and Engineering

Zhejiang University, Hangzhou, China

Assistant Professor, College of Control Science and Engineering

Purdue University, West Lafayette, USA 9/2018-8/2019

Postdoctoral Scholar, School of Industrial Engineering;

Host: Prof Gesualdo Scutari

Arizona State University, Phoenix, USA

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Postdoctoral Scholar, Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering;

Host: Prof Angelia Nedich and Prof Anna Scaglione

Nanyang Technological University, Singapore

8/2016-9/2017

Research Fellow, School of Electrical and Electronic Engineering

Publications Journal Articles and ML Conferences

- P06 Youcheng Niu, **Jinming Xu**, Ying Sun, Li Chai, Jiming Chen, "Hessian-Free Distributed Bilevel Optimization via Penalization with Time-Scale Separation," submitted to **IEEE Transactions on Automatic Control**, 2025.
- P05 Yingcheng Lai, Li Chai, **Jinming Xu**, "On Random Sampling of Diffused Graph Signals with Sparse Inputs on Vertex Domain," submitted to **IEEE Transactions on Signal Processing**, 2025.
- P04 Jing Zeng, Qi Ye, Tianle Liu, Yang Xu, Jin Li, **Jinming Xu**, Liang Li, Jiming Chen, "Multirobot Autonomous 3D Reconstruction using Gaussian Splatting with Semantic Guidance," submitted to **IEEE Robotics and Automation Letters**, 2025.
- P03 Yixian Zhao, **Jinming Xu**, Yang Xu, Liang Li, Jiming Chen, "Decentralized Pose Graph Optimization on Manifolds for Multi-Robot Object-based Collaborative Mapping," submitted to **IEEE Robotics and Automation Letters**, 2024.
- P02 Weiyang Sun, **Jinming Xu**, Jiming Chen, Li Chai, "Topology Identification of Heterogeneous Networked Dynamical Systems," submitted to **IEEE Transactions on Automatic Control**, 2024.
- P01 Weiyang Sun, **Jinming Xu**, Jiming Chen, "On Non-Asymptotic Lyapunov Estimation for Dynamical Network Reconstruction," submitted to **Automatica**, 2024.

- JM22 Youcheng Niu, **Jinming Xu**, Ying Sun, Yan Huang, Li Chai, "Distributed Stochastic Bilevel Optimization: Improved Complexity and Heterogeneity Analysis," accepted by **Journal of Machine Learning Research**, 2024.
- JM21 Yan Huang, Xiang Li, Yipeng Shen, Niao He, **Jinming Xu**, "Achieving Near-Optimal Convergence for Distributed Minimax Optimization with Adaptive Stepsizes," **The 38th Annual Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS)**, 2024.
- JM20 Zehan Zhu, Ye Tian, Yan Huang, Jinming Xu and Shibo He, "Robust Fully-Asynchronous Methods for Distributed Training over General Architecture," IEEE Transactions on Signal and Information Processing over Networks, 2024.
- JM19 Zehan Zhu, Yan Huang, Xin Wang and Jinming Xu, "PrivSGP-VR: Differentially Private Variance-Reduced Stochastic Gradient Push with Tight Utility Bounds," International Joint Conference on Artificial Intelligence (IJCAI), 2024.
- JM18 Yan Huang, Jinming Xu, Wenchao Meng, Hoi-To Wai and Li Chai, "Distributed Optimization with Personalization: A Flexible Algorithmic Framework," IEEE Transactions on Automatic Control (Regular), 2024.
- JM17 Chengcheng Zhao, Ruijie Ma, Mengzhi Wang, Jinming Xu and Lin Cai, "Safeguard Vehicle Platooning Based on Resilient Control Against False Data Injection Attacks," IEEE Transactions on Intelligent Transportation Systems, 2024
- JM16 Changzhi Yan, Zehan Zhu, Youcheng Niu, Cong Wang and Cheng Zhuo, Jinming Xu, "PerfTop: Towards Performance Prediction of Distributed Learning over General Topology," Journal of Parallel and Distributed Computing, 2024
- JM15 Xiaojie Qiu, Wenchao Meng, Jinming Xu and Qinmin Yang, "Reduced-order Observer-based Resilient Control for MASs with Time-varying Delay against DoS Attacks", IEEE Transactions on Industrial Cyber-Physical Systems, 2024
- JM14 Weiyang Sun, Jinming Xu and Jiming Chen, "Identifiability and Identification of Switching Dynamical Networks: A Data-based Approach," IEEE Transactions on Control of Network Systems, 2023. DOI: 10.1109/TCNS.2023.3333412
- JM13 Jinyu Pan, Xuezhong Lin, Jinming Xu, Yiran Chen and Cheng Zhuo, "Lithography Hotspot Detection Based on Heterogeneous Federated Learning with Local Adaptation and Feature Selection," IEEE Transactions on Computer-Aided Design of Integrated Circuits and Systems, 2023. DOI: 10.1109/TCAD.2023.3332841
- JM12 Yan Huang, Ying Sun, Zehan Zhu, Changzhi Yan and Jinming Xu, "Tackling Data Heterogeneity: A New Unified Framework for Decentralized SGD with Sample-induced Topology," In Proceedings of the 39th International Conference on Machine Learning (ICML, Spotlight), PMLR 162:9310-9345, 2022.
- JM11 Jinming Xu, Ye Tian, Ying Sun and Gesualdo Scutari, "Distributed Algorithms for Composite Optimization: Unified Framework and Convergence Analysis," IEEE Transactions on Signal Processing, vol. 69, pp. 3555-3570, 2021. [pdf]
- JM10 Tie Ding, Shanying Zhu, Cailian Chen, Jinming Xu and Xinping Guan, "Differentially Private Distributed Resource Allocation via Deviation Tracking," IEEE Transactions on Signal and Information Processing over Networks, vol. 7: 222-235, 2021.
- JM09 Yongyang Xiong, Jinming Xu, Keyou You, Jianxing Liu, and Ligang Wu, "Privacy Preserving Distributed Online Optimization over Unbalanced Digraphs via Subgradient Rescaling," IEEE Transactions on Control of Network Systems, vol. 7, no. 3, pp. 1366-1378, 2020. [pdf]
- JM08 Shi Pu, Wei Shi, **Jinming Xu** and Angelia Nedich, "Push-Pull Gradient Methods for Distributed Optimization in Networks," **IEEE Transactions on Automatic Control (Regular)**, vol. 66, no. 1, pp. 1-16, 2020; online available. [pdf]
- JM07 Jinming Xu, Ye Tian, Gesualdo Scutari and Ying Sun, "Accelerated Primal-Dual Algo-

- rithms for Distributed Optimization over Networks," In Proceedings of the **23rd International Conference on Artificial Intelligence and Statistics (AISTATS)**, Italy, pp. 2381-2391, 2020. [pdf]
- JM06 Jinming Xu, Shanying Zhu, Yeng Chai Soh and Lihua Xie, "A Dual Splitting Approach for Distributed Resource Allocation with Regularization," IEEE Transactions on Control of Network Systems, vol. 6, no. 1: 403-414, 2019. [pdf]
- JM05 Jinming Xu, Shanying Zhu, Yeng Chai Soh and Lihua Xie, "A Bregman Splitting Scheme for Distributed Optimization over Networks," IEEE Transactions on Automatic Control (Regular), vol. 63, no. 11, pp. 3809-3824, 2018. [pdf]
- JM04 Shanying Zhu, Cailian Chen, Jinming Xu, Lihua Xie and Johansson Karl Henrik, "Mitigating Quantization Effects on Distributed Sensor Fusion: A Least Squares Approach," IEEE Transactions on Signal Processing, vol. 66, no. 13, pp. 3459-3474, 2018. [pdf]
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- JM02 Jinming Xu and Yeng Chai Soh, "A Distributed Simultaneous Perturbation Approach for Large-scale Dynamic Optimization Problems," Automatica (Regular) 72 (2016):194-204
- JM01 Zhenghua Chen, Jinming Xu, Yeng Chai Soh, "Modeling Regular Occupancy in Commercial Buildings Using Stochastic Models," Energy and Buildings 103 (2015): 216-223.

Conference Proceedings

- C29 Shaohao Zhu, Yixian Zhao, Yang Xu, Anjun Chen, Jinming Chen, **Jinming Xu**, "TaskExp: Enhancing Generalization of Multi-Robot Exploration with Multi-Task Pre-Training," *IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA)*, accepted, 2025.
- C28 Yixian Zhao, Yan Huang, Haochang Zhang, **Jinming Xu**, "Distributed Personalized Optimization on Riemannian Manifolds with Gradient Tracking," *In Proceedings of The 2025 American Control Conference (ACC)*, accepted, 2025.
- C27 Haochang Zhang, Yixian Zhao, **Jinming Xu**, "Communication-Efficient Data Exchange for Decentralized Loop-Closure Detection in Collaborative SLAM," *In Proceedings of The* 2025 American Control Conference (ACC), accepted, 2025.
- C26 Qiuchen Tian, **Jinming Xu**, Li Chai, "On the Convergence and Implementation of High-Order Primal Dual Algorithms for Affine Constrained Convex Optimization," *In Proceedings of The 2025 American Control Conference (ACC)*, accepted, 2025.
- C25 Jiacheng He, Fangguo Zhao, Shaohao Zhu, Shuo Li and **Jinming Xu**, "Priority-Based Deadlock Recovery for Distributed Swarm Obstacle Avoidance in Cluttered Environments," *IEEE/RSJ International Conference on Intelligent Robots and Systems (IROS)*, 2024.
- C24 Shaohao Zhu, Jiacheng Zhou, Anjun Chen, Mingming Bai, Jiming Chen and **Jinming Xu**, "MAexp: A Generic Platform for RL-based Multi-Agent Exploration," *IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA)*, 2024.
- C23 Weiyang Sun, **Jinming Xu** and Jiming Chen, "Topology Reconstruction of Heterogeneous Networked Dynamical Systems with Unknown Input Matrices," In *Proceedings of The 2024 American Control Conference (ACC)*, Toronto, ON, Canada, 2024
- C22 Yuyang Shen, Jin Zhou, Danzhe Xu, Fangguo Zhao, **Jinming Xu**, Jiming Chen and Shuo Li, "Aggressive Trajectory Generation for A Swarm of Autonomous Racing Drones," *IEEE/RSJ International Conference on Intelligent Robots and Systems (IROS)*, 2023.
- C21 Jianhui Li, Youcheng Niu, Shuang Li, Yuzhe Li, **Jinming Xu**, and Junfeng Wu, "Inducing Desired Equilibrium in Taxi Repositioning Problem with Adaptive Incentive Design," In *Proceedings of 62nd IEEE Conference on Decision and Control (CDC)*, Singapore, 2023.
- C20 Youcheng Niu, Ying Sun, Yan Huang and Jinming Xu, "A Loopless Distributed Algo-

- rithm for Personalized Bilevel Optimization," In *Proceedings of 62nd IEEE Conference on Decision and Control (CDC)*, Singapore, 2023.
- C19 Yan Huang and **Jinming Xu**, "On the Computation-Communication Trade-Off with A Flexible Gradient Tracking Approach," In *Proceedings of 62nd IEEE Conference on Decision and Control (CDC)*, Singapore, 2023.
- C18 Zehan Zhu, Yan Huang, Chengcheng Zhao and **Jinming Xu**, "Asynchronous Byzantine-Robust Stochastic Aggregation with Variance Reduction for Distributed Learning," In *Proceedings of 62nd IEEE Conference on Decision and Control (CDC)*, Singapore, 2023.
- C17 Zemin Liu, Mingming Bai, Jiacheng He, Xiufang Shi and **Jinming Xu**, "Accurate and Robust State Estimation via Fusion of Visual-Inertial-UWB with Time Synchronization," In *Proceedings of IEEE 49th Industrial Electronics Conference (IECON)*, 2023
- C16 Yan Huang, **Jinming Xu**, Wenchao Meng and Hoi-To Wai, "Stochastic Gradient Tracking Methods for Distributed Personalized Optimization over Networks," In *Proceedings of 61st IEEE Conference on Decision and Control (CDC)*, Cancun, Mexico, 2022.
- C15 Weiyang Sun, **Jinming Xu**, and Jiming Chen, "On Necessary and Sufficient Conditions for Identifiability and Identification of Switching Dynamical Networks," In *Proceedings of 61st IEEE Conference on Decision and Control (CDC)*, Cancun, Mexico, 2022.
- C14 Xuezhong Lin, Jingyu Pan, **Jinming Xu**, Yiran Chen and Cheng Zhuo, "Lithography Hotspot Detection via Heterogeneous Federated Learning with Local Adaptation," *27th Asia and South Pacific Design Automation Conference (ASP-DAC)*, pp. 166-171, 2022.
- C13 Zishun Liu, Shanying Zhu, **Jinming Xu**, and Cailian Chen, "A Decentralized Algorithm for Coordination Between Economic Dispatch and Demand Response in Multi-Energy Systems," In *Proceedings of 60th IEEE Conference on Decision and Control (CDC)*, Austin, USA, 2021.
- C12 Yixian Zhao, Jiashuai Chen, **Jinming Xu**, and Shuai Liu, "Multi-Robot Area Coverage and Environment Estimation Based on the Mixture of Gaussian Processes," In *Proceedings of IEEE International Conference on Unmanned Systems (ICUS)*, 2021
- C11 **Jinming Xu**, Ye Tian, Ying Sun and Gesualdo Scutari, "A unified algorithmic framework for distributed composite optimization," In *Proceedings of 59th IEEE Conference on Decision and Control (CDC)*, Jeju, Korea, pp. 2309-2316, 2020.
- C10 Zhibin Wang, **Jinming Xu**, Shanying Zhu, and Cailian Chen, "A dual splitting method for distributed economic dispatch in multi-energy systems," In *Proceedings of 21st IFAC World Congress*, Berlin (Virtual), Germany, pp. 12566-12571, 2020.
- C09 **Jinming Xu**, Ying Sun and Gesualdo Scutari, "A Unified Contraction Analysis of a Class of Distributed Algorithms for Composite Optimization," In *Proceedings of IEEE 8th International Workshop on Computational Advances in Multi-Sensor Adaptive Processing (CAMSAP*), 2019.
- C08 Shi Pu, Wei Shi, **Jinming Xu**, Angelia Nedich, "A Push-Pull Gradient Method for Distributed Optimization in Networks,", In *Proceedings of 57th IEEE Conference on Decision and Control (CDC)*, 2018.
- C07 **Jinming Xu**, Shanying Zhu, Yeng Chai Soh and Lihua Xie, "A Dual Splitting Algorithm for Distributed Resource Allocation Problems,", In *Proceedings of 56th IEEE Conference on Decision and Control (CDC)*, 2017.
- C06 Shanying Zhu, **Jinming Xu**, Cailian Chen, Xinping Guan and Binqiang Xue, "DINS: A Scheme for Distributed Sensor Fusion over Fading Channels," *IFAC-PapersOnLine* 50(1), 2017: 14284-14289.
- C05 **Jinming Xu**, Shanying Zhu, Yeng Chai Soh and Lihua Xie, "A Forward-Backward Bregman Splitting Scheme for Regularized Distributed Optimization Problems," In *Proceedings of 55th IEEE Conference on Decision and Control (CDC)*, 2016.

- C04 Shanying Zhu, **Jinming Xu**, Cailian Chen and Xinping Guan, "A Least Square Approach for Distributed Sensor Fusion in Bandwidth-constrained Sensor Networks," In Proceedings of 41st IEEE Conference on Acoustics, Speech and Signal Processing (ICASSP), 2016.
- C03 Shanying Zhu, Shuai Liu, Jinming Xu, Yeng Chai Soh, and Lihua Xie, "Averaging based distributed estimation algorithm for rate-constrained sensor networks with additive quantization model," In Proceedings of 54th IEEE Conference on Decision and Control (CDC), 2015.
- C02 Jinming Xu, Shanying Zhu, Yeng Chai Soh and Lihua Xie, "Augmented Distributed Gradient Methods for Multi-agent Optimization under Uncoordinated Constant Stepsizes," In Proceedings of 54th IEEE Conference on Decision and Control (CDC), 2015.
- C01 Jinming Xu and Yeng Chai Soh, "Distributed Extremum Seeking Control of Networked Large-scale Systems under Constraints," In Proceedings of 52nd IEEE Conference on Decision and Control (CDC), 2013.

Professional Services **Activities**

- Guest Editor for Journal of Control Theory and Applications
- Associated Editor for CDC 2024/2023 ACC 2024/2023 ICCA 2019/2020/2022
- Session (Co)-Chair for CDC 2024/2023/2022/2021 SIAM OPT 2021 CCC 2021/2022
- Program Chair for Global Automation ECR Workshop 2019; TPC members for ICPADS 2020 • CACRE 2020; Co-Organizer for Workshop@CDC2024

Reviews

- Journals: IEEE Transactions on Automatic Control Automatica SIAM Journal on Optimization • IEEE Trans. Signal Processing • IEEE Trans. Control Network Systems • IEEE Trans. Signal and Information Processing • IEEE Trans. Network Science and Engineering • IEEE Trans. Neural Networks and Learning Systems • IEEE Trans. Pattern Analysis and Machine Intelligence • IEEE Trans. Systems, Man and Cybernetics: Systems • IEEE Trans. Cybernetics • IEEE Signal Processing Letters • IEEE Control Systems Letters • Information Science • Annual Reviews in Control
- Conferences: NIPS, ICML, ICLR, AISTATS, CDC, ACC, IFAC, ICASSP, ECC,...

Memberships

- Member of IEEE CSS Conference Editorial Board (Since 2023)
- IEEE Member (since 2011) IEEE Control Systems Society (since 2013).