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Education

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The University of Tokyo Oct. 2023 - Sept. 2026 (Expected) Ph. D. Student in Mechanical Engineering Advisor: Lecturer Moju ZHAO Sept. 2020 - June 2023 Beihang University M. Sc. in Control Science and Engineering, GPA: 89.8/100 (Top 10%) Advisor: Prof. Zhang REN Beihang University Sept. 2016 - June 2020 B. Eng. in Automation, Shen Yuan Honors College, GPA: 89.7/100 (Top 10%)

Research Interests

My research interest lies in optimization-based control with applications in aerial manipulation, aiming to make aerial robots function as flying hands rather than just eyes.

Publications

Papers

- 1. [IROS'25] Jinjie Li^{†*}, Jiaxuan Li[†], Kotaro Kaneko, Haokun Liu, Liming Shu, Moju Zhao, "Six-DoF Hand-Based Teleoperation for Omnidirectional Aerial Robots", IEEE/RSJ International Conference on Intelligent Robots and Systems (IROS), Hangzhou, China, 2025. [pdf] [video]
- 2. [RA-L'24] Jinjie Li, Junichiro Sugihara, Moju Zhao*, "Servo Integrated Nonlinear Model Predictive Control for Overactuated Tiltable-Quadrotors", IEEE Robotics and Automation Letters (RA-L), vol. 9, no. 10, pp. 8770-8777, Oct. 2024, doi: 10.1109/LRA.2024.3451391. [pdf] [video]
- 3. [CDC'23] Jinjie Li, Liang Han*, Haoyang Yu, Yuheng Lin, Qingdong Li, Zhang Ren, "Nonlinear MPC for Quadrotors in Close-Proximity Flight with Neural Network Downwash Prediction", IEEE Conference on Decision and Control (CDC), Singapore, Singapore, 2023, pp. 2122-2128, doi: 10.1109/CDC49753.2023.10383632. [pdf] [code]
- 4. [ICRA'23 Workshop] Jinjie Li*, Liang Han, Haoyang Yu, Yuheng Lin, Qingdong Li, Zhang Ren, "Potato: A Data-Oriented Programming 3D Simulator for Large-Scale Heterogeneous Swarm Robotics", ICRA'23 Workshop on The Role of Robotics Simulators for Unmanned Aerial Vehicles, 2023. [pdf] [code]
- 5. [ICRA'22] Jinjie Li, Liang Han*, Zhang Ren, "Indoor Localization for Quadrotors using Invisible Projected Tags". IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA), Philadelphia, PA, USA, 2022, pp. 9404-9410, doi: 10.1109/ICRA46639.2022.9812449. [oral] [pdf] [video]

Co-Authored

- 6. [Under Review] Haokun Liu, Zhaoqi Ma, Yunong Li, Junichiro Sugihara, Yicheng Chen, Jinjie Li, Moju Zhao, "Hierarchical Language Models for Semantic Navigation and Manipulation in an Aerial-Ground Robotic System", Advanced Intelligent Systems, 2025. [pdf]
- 7. [IROS'25] Yicheng Chen, Jinjie Li, Wenyuan Qin, Yongzhao Hua, Qingdong Li, "Learning to Initialize Trajectory Optimization for Vision-Based Autonomous Flight in Unknown Environments", IEEE/RSJ International Conference on Intelligent Robots and Systems (IROS), Hangzhou, China, 2025. [pdf] [video] [code]
- 8. [ICRA'25] Hisaaki Iida, Junichiro Sugihara, Kazuki Sugihara, Haruki Kozuka, Jinjie Li, Keisuke Nagato, Moju Zhao*, "Adaptive Perching and Grasping by Aerial Robot with Light-weight and High Grip-force Tendon-driven Three-fingered Hand using Single Actuator", IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA), Atlanta, USA, 2025. [pdf] [video]
- 9. [ICRA'23] Ziwei Yan, Liang Han*, Xiaoduo Li, Jinjie Li, Zhang Ren, "Event-Triggered Optimal Formation Tracking Control Using Reinforcement Learning for Large-Scale UAV Systems", IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA), London, United Kingdom, 2023, pp. 3233-3239, doi: 10.1109/ICRA48891.2023.10160532. [pdf] [video]

Others

- 1. Liang Han, Jinjie Li, Zhang Ren, "An Indoor Localization Method based on Invisible Projected Tags", Chinese Invention Patent, 202111154577.4.
- 2. "A Localization Software based on Invisible Projected Fiducial Tags", Chinese Software Copyright, 2022SR0123403.
- 3. "A Large-Scale Heterogeneous Multi-Agent Simulation Platform V1.0", Chinese Software Copyright, 2021SR1039534.

Practical Experiences

Beihang Aeromodelling Team, Beihang University

Beijing, China

Nov. 2016 - Oct. 2018

Development of Heavy Load and High Maneuverability Aircrafts

Leader of the Composite Material Team & Pilot Supervisor: Proj

Supervisor: Prof. Zhiqiang Wan

• Developed the composite part of a heavy-load aircraft. Employed carbon and glass fiber reinforced polymer (CGFRP) to make D-box structures, increasing the torsional rigidity to 261.07%. [blog] Trained to be a pilot as well. [blog]

• Won the championship in the 2018 China Aeromodelling Design Challenge (Time-limited Airdrop Project), the best record in history. Reported by BMFA (British Model Flying Association) News magazine. [pdf]

Skills Summary

• Languages: English (TOEFL iBT 100), Japanese (Beginner), Chinese (Mother Tongue)

• Coding: AI Prompt, GitHub Action, Git, Python, C/C++, MATLAB, Mathematica, LATEX, Data-Oriented Programming

• Software: ROS 1&2, acados, CasADi, Pinocchio, KDL, Gazebo, PX4, PyTorch, OpenCV, Pandas, Docker, Eigen

• Hardware: NVIDIA Jetson, Raspberry Pi, STM32, Pixhawk, Circuit Design (Altium Designer), CAD (SolidWorks), CNC

• Hobbies: Model Airplane (pilot for fixed-wing drones and quadrotors), Photography [homepage], Tennis, Table Tennis, Ski

Leadership

As the first Ph.D. student in our lab, I play a key role in shaping a collaborative and productive research environment. I have successfully collaborated with researchers from China, Japan, Germany, and Italy, demonstrating strong international teamwork skills.

Honors and Awards

• PhD Scholarship from Chinese Scholarship Council (CSC)

2023

• The Champion of "Simulated Search and Rescue Project" in China Aeromodelling Design Challenge (CADC) 2017

Academic Services

Serve as reviewers for RA-L, IROS'25, ICRA'24, IROS'24, and CDC'23. IEEE RAS Graduate Student Member.