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Fducation

08/2022-Present Hong Kong, China

Chinese University of Hong Kong (CUHK), Doctor of Philosophy - Ph.D.

Major: Mechanical and Automation Engineering Supervisor: Prof. Wei-Hsin Liao

Research Direction: 3D/4D Printing, Smart Materials & Adaptive Structures, Soft Robotics.

Award: Hong Kong PhD Fellowship Scheme (HKPFS)

09/2018-06/2022

Sichuan University - Pittsburgh Institute (SCUPI), Bachelor of Engineering - BE

Chengdu, China | GPA: 4.0/4.0 | Weighted Average Mark: 96.29/100 | Major: Mechanical Engineering Ranking: 1/79

Experiences

> Upcoming: 07/2025 - 06/2026, California Institute of Technology (CalTech), Visiting Scholar. Supervisor: Prof. Chiara Daraio. Program: CUHK Overseas Research Attachment Programme.

> 08/2023 - Present, Southern University of Science and Technology (SUSTech), Visiting Scholar. Supervisor: Prof. Qi Ge. Program: SUSTech Fellowship Program.

> 08/2024 - Present, Shenzhen University, Visiting Scholar.

Supervisor: Prof. Shitong Fang and Zhihui Lai. Program: Shenzhen University Fellowship Program.

> 08/2022 - Present, The Chinese University of Hong Kong, Teaching Assistant.

> 02/2020 - 06/2022, Sichuan University - Pittsburgh Institute, Teaching Assistant.

> 04/2021 - 09/2021, Westlake University, Research Assistant.

Supervisor: Prof. Weicheng Cui. Program: Westlake University Summer Graduate Research Internship.

> 03/2021 - 09/2021, McGill University, Research Assistant.

Supervisor: Prof. Abdolhamid Akbarzadeh Shafaroudi. Program: Mitacs Globalink Research Internship.

Honors & Awards

09/2019

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05/2025	CUHK PhD International Mobility for Partnerships and Collaborations Award (PhD IMPAC Award)
02/2025	Outstanding Students Award at The Chinese University of Hong Kong
11/2022	Outstanding Senior Project Award in Sichuan University
10/2022	Best Paper Award in 2022 IEEE International Conference on Unmanned Systems (ICUS)
06/2022	Outstanding Senior Project Award in Sichuan University-Pittsburgh Institute
05/2022	First Prize in The 7th National Academic English Vocabulary Competition (NAEV)
05/2022	Outstanding Senior Project Poster Award in Sichuan University-Pittsburgh Institute
03/2022	Outstanding Graduate of Sichuan Province
01/2022	A-level Certificate in Comprehensive Quality of University Students in Sichuan Province
12/2021	2020-2021 Academic Year National Scholarship (China) (¥8,000)
10/2021	Outstanding Graduate of Sichuan University
10/2021	2020-2021 Academic Year Outstanding Student of Sichuan University
10/2021	2020-2021 Academic Year Sichuan University-Pittsburgh Institute Best Academic Achiever Award (¥60,000)
09/2021	First Prize in Chinese Tale - English Talk
06/2021	Second Prize in Videos and Voices Short Video Contest
05/2021	Second Prize in The 6th National Academic English Vocabulary Competition (NAEV)
04/2021	Honorable Mention in 2021 Mathematical Contest in Modeling (MCM)
12/2020	2019-2020 Academic Year National Scholarship (China) (¥8,000)
10/2020	2019-2020 Academic Year Outstanding Student of Sichuan University
09/2020	Excellent Teaching Assistant Award for Sichuan University-Pittsburgh Institute
09/2020	2019-2020 Academic Year Sichuan University-Pittsburgh Institute Academic Star (¥10,000)
12/2019	2018-2019 Academic Year National Scholarship (China) (¥8,000)
10/2019	2018-2019 Academic Year Outstanding Student of Sichuan University

2018-2019 Academic Year Sichuan University-Pittsburgh Institute Best Academic Achiever Award (¥60,000)

07/2019 First Prize in the Special Category of the 9th "Video Friends Cup" China University TV Awards 02/2019 Student Ambassador of Sichuan University-Pittsburgh Institute

Publications & Patents

- > Liuchao Jin, Shouyi Yu, Jianxiang Cheng, Zhigang Liu, Kang Zhang, Sicong Zhou, Xiangnan He, Guoquan Xie, Mahdi Bodaghi, Qi Ge, Wei-Hsin Liao. (2025). Machine learning powered inverse design of strain fields of hierarchical architectures. Composites Part B: Engineering, 299, 112372.
- > Liuchao Jin, Xiaoya Zhai, Wenbo Xue, Kang Zhang, Jingchao Jiang, Mahdi Bodaghi, Wei-Hsin Liao. (2025). Finite element analysis, machine learning, and digital twins for soft robots: state-of-arts and perspectives. Smart Materials and Structures, 34(3), 033002.
- > Liuchao Jin, Kang Zhang, Sicong Zhou, Guoquan Xie, Wei-Hsin Liao. (2025). Modulus tunability in hierarchical architectures: A machine learning-enabled approach. In Multifunctional Materials and Structures 2025 (Vol. 13433, pp. 133-143). SPIE.
- > Wenpeng Xu, Mengyu Zhang, Hao Xu, Liuchao Jin*, Xiaoya Zhai*, Jingchao Jiang. (2025). INPR-connector: Interlocking negative Poisson's ratio connectors design for deployable energy absorption structures. Composites Part B: Engineering, 297, 112243.
- > Wenpeng Xu, Ning Zhang, Hao Xu, Liuchao Jin*, Jingchao Jiang*. (2025). Stress-guided lightweight design and optimization for 3D printing sacrificial molds. *Materials & Design*, 255, 114161.
- > Liuchao Jin, Shouyi Yu, Jianxiang Cheng, Haitao Ye, Xiaoya Zhai, Jingchao Jiang, Kang Zhang, Bingcong Jian, Mahdi Bodaghi, Qi Ge, Wei-Hsin Liao. (2024). Machine learning-driven forward prediction and inverse design for 4D printed hierarchical architecture with arbitrary shapes. Applied Materials Today, 40, 102373.
- > Liuchao Jin, Xiaoya Zhai, Kang Wang, Kang Zhang, Dazhong Wu, Aamer Nazir, Jingchao Jiang, Wei-Hsin Liao. (2024). Big data, machine learning, and digital twin assisted additive manufacturing: A review. Materials & Design, 244, 113086. (ESI Highly Cited Paper, Cover Paper, Top Cited, Top Downloaded)
- > Liuchao Jin, Xiaoya Zhai, Jingchao Jiang, Kang Zhang, Wei-Hsin Liao. (2024). Optimizing stimuli-based 4D printed structures: A paradigm shift in programmable material response. In Sensors and Smart Structures Technologies for Civil, Mechanical, and Aerospace Systems 2024 (Vol. 12949, pp. 321-332). SPIE.
- > Liuchao Jin, Xiaoya Zhai, Kang Zhang, Jingchao Jiang. (2024). Unlocking the potential of low-melting-point alloys integrated extrusion additive manufacturing: Insights into mechanical behavior, energy absorption, and electrical conductivity. Progress in Additive Manufacturing, 10(4), 2733–2745.
- > Liuchao Jin, Xiaoya Zhai, Kang Zhang, Jingchao Jiang, Wei-Hsin Liao. (2024). 3D printing low-melting-point alloys integrated soft robots. Materials Science in Additive Manufacturing, 3(3), 4144. (Most Downloaded)
- > Liuchao Jin, Xiaoya Zhai, Kang Zhang, Jingchao Jiang, Wei-Hsin Liao. (2024). Spider web-inspired additive manufacturing: Unleashing the potential of lightweight support structures. In 21st International Conference on Manufacturing Research.
- > Liuchao Jin, Weicheng Cui. (2024). On technical issues for underwater charging of robotic fish schools using ocean renewable energy. Ships and Offshore Structures, 19(9), 1465-1475.
- > Liuchao Jin, Yuchen Lou, Lu-An Chen, Qi Lu. (2022). 6 Degree of freedom unified tracking controller for tilt-rotor multi-rotor unmanned aerial vehicles based on unit dual quaternion. In 2022 5th IEEE International Conference on Unmanned Systems (ICUS). IEEE.
- > Wenbo Xue, Liuchao Jin, Bingcong Jian, Qi Ge. (2025). Origami-based flexible robotic grippers via hard-soft coupled multimaterial 3D printing for soft robotics. Soft Robotics.
- > Kang Zhang, Jingchao Jiang, Liuchao Jin, Qiang Gao, Xiaoya Zhai, Sicong Zhou, Zhenhong Li, Jifan Li and Wei-Hsin Liao. (2025). Low-melting-point alloy / polyurethane auxetic composite foam for outstanding impact protection with favorable shape memory effect. Smart Materials and Structures, 34(4), 045025.
- > Sicong Zhou, Kang Zhang, Liuchao Jin, Qiang Gao, Wei-Hsin Liao. (2025). Efficient data driven optimization framework for designing B-spline honeycombs with excellent energy absorption. Thin-Walled Structures, 209, 112941.
- > Wenbo Xue, Bingcong Jian, Liuchao Jin, Rong Wang, Qi Ge. (2025). Origami robots: Design, actuation, and 3D printing methods. Advanced Materials Technologies.
- > Changyue Liu, Liuchao Jin, Wei-Hsin Liao, Zhijian Wang, Qiguang He. (2025). Achieving rapid actuation in liquid crystal elastomers. National Science Open, 4(2), 20240013.
- > Tielin Dai, Liuchao Jin, Chen Shang, Xiaoya Zhai, Xiao-Ming Fu, Ligang Liu. (2025). Advances in Intelligent Design of Metamaterials. Journal of Computer-Aided Design & Computer Graphics, 37(1).
- > Kang Zhang, Qiang Gao, Jingchao Jiang, Meishan Chan, Xiaoya Zhai, Liuchao Jin, Jiangfan Zhang, Jifan Li, Wei-Hsin Liao. (2024). High energy dissipation and self-healing auxetic foam by integrating shear thickening gel. Composites Science and Technology, 249, 110475.
- > Jingchao Jiang, Liuchao Jin, Xiaoya Zhai, Kang Zhang, Jun Chen, Wei-Hsin Liao. (2023). A novel strategy to fabricate lowmelting-point alloy and its composite parts using extrusion additive manufacturing. In *The 50th International Conference on* Computers and Industrial Engineering.
- > Xiaoya Zhai, Yundong Gai, Liuchao Jin, Wei-Hsin Liao, Falai Chen, Ping Hu. (2023). Isogeometric topology optimization of auxetic materials based on moving morphable method. In Materials Research Proceedings, 31, 172-186.
- > Jingchao Jiang, Xiaoya Zhai, Kang Zhang, Liuchao Jin, Qitao Lu, Zhichao Shen, Wei-Hsin Liao. (2023). Low-melting-point alloys integrated extrusion additive manufacturing. Additive Manufacturing, 72, 103633.
- > Jingchao Jiang, Xiaoya Zhai, Liuchao Jin, Kang Zhang, Jun Chen, Qitao Lu, Wei-Hsin Liao. (2023). Design for reversed additive manufacturing low-melting-point alloys. Journal of Engineering Design, 1-14.
- > Xiaoya Zhai, Liuchao Jin, Jingchao Jiang. (2022). A survey of additive manufacturing reviews. Materials Science in Additive *Manufacturing*, 1(4), 21. (Most Downloaded)



- > China Invention Grant Patent: Tracking Control Method for Tilt-Rotor Multi-Rotor UAV Based on Dual Quaternion. Patent number: ZL 2022 1 0739442.2.
- > China Utility Model Patent: Air Purification Device. Patent number: ZL 2021 2 2679101.4.

Leadership & Extracurricular Activities

- > 06/2024 Present, Sichuan University Pittsburgh Institute Alumni Association, Alumni Mentor.
- > 09/2022 09/2023, The Postgraduate Halls Residents' Association, General Administrator.
- > 03/2022 03/2023, Mitacs Globalink, Ambassador.
- > 09/2019 09/2020, Sichuan University The 31st Student Congress, Representative.
- > 03/2019 06/2020, Sichuan University Student Television Station, Deputy Director.
- > 09/2018 06/2019, Sichuan University-Pittsburgh Institute Student Council, Member.

Community Contributions

- > 05/2021 & 11/2019, Chengdu Blood Center, Blood Donor.
- > 02/2021, UNESCO, Disaster Risk Management at UNESCO Designated Sites, Volunteer.
- > 07/2020-08/2020, GREENPEACE, Blue Planet Rescue Plan, Volunteer.
- > 02/2019, SCU Return to Alma Mater, Social Practice of Winter Vacation, Participant.