Lin, Ching-Te

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Research Interest

computational methods to study laminar and turbulence flow, flow control schemes utilizing control theory or data-driven approach, reduced-order modeling, and compressed sensing

Education

Ph.D. in Mechanical Engineering, California Institute of Technology

Sept. 2023 - Present

M.S. in Mechanical Engineering, National Taiwan University (NTU)

Sept. 2021 - Aug. 2023

Relevant Courses: Viscous Flow, Robust Control, Introduction to Chaotic Dynamics

Advisor: Dr. Hsieh-Chen Tsai

Thesis title: Closed-loop Flow Control on Harmonic Oscillation of a Circular Cylinder

B.S. in Mechanical Engineering, NTU

Sept. 2017 - Aug. 2021

Relevant Courses: Advanced Thermodynamics, Advanced Thermal Transfer, Linear Control Systems

Projects & Research Experience

Research Assistant in the Department of Mechanical Engineering, NTU

Spring 2021 - Present

- Applied Resolvent Analysis on a tilted flat plate to construct a reduced-order model with a relative error of 3% on the boundary
- Develop Floquet-based Resolvent Analysis and design an active flow control strategy on a plunging cylinder to attenuate lift fluctuation by up to 25.7%

Robust Control Courses Final Project, NTU

Spring 2022

- Utilized loop shaping method to design a robust controller for a chaotic Lorenz system
- Rejected the input and output disturbance and improved by 32% compared to an LQR controller

Introduction to Chaotic Dynamic Courses Final Project, NTU

Fall 2021

• Performed Finite-time Lyapunov exponent to figure out the Lagrangian coherent structure of flow past a cylinder

Drone Innovation and Application Competition, Taipei Computer Association

Dec. 2020 - July 2021

- High Distinction Award (Awarded top five out of fifty-seven teams nationwide)
- Proposed an autonomous aircraft with the design of a tandem wing tail sitter, which can carry 10 kg loading and maneuver with a flight distance of 15 km
- Proposed a control law to resist the side wing up to 5 m/s when hovering and verified via SIMULINK

Summer Research Project, *Moldex3D (CoreTech System Co., Ltd.)*

July 2020 - Aug. 2020

- Performed plastic injection molding simulation via Moldex3D
- Improved unbalanced flow in multi-cavities with modified runners

Formula SAE Japan Racing Car, NTU

Sept. 2018 - June 2020

- Co-lead a team of 8 members to design brake, steering, and suspension systems for a racing car
- Performed finite element analysis to study the structure limit of the designed part
- Communicated with sponsor companies and manufacturing companies

Publication

• Lin, C.-T., Tsai, M.-L., & Tsai, H.-C. (2023). Flow control of a plunging cylinder based on resolvent analysis. *Journal of Fluid Mechanics*, 967, A41. doi:10.1017/jfm.2023.526

Honors & Awards

Ministry of Education Taiwan-Caltech Scholarship, Ministry of Education, Taiwan

Sept. 2023

Awarded three Ph.D. students annually to support their Ph.D. studies for four years

Sing Lung Foundation Scholarship, Sing Lung Foundation

Nov. 2022

Honored students with outstanding academic achievement in mechanical engineering

Dean's List Award, NTU

Spring 2021

 Awarded top five percent of students for excellent academic performance in the department of mechanical engineering

Teaching Experience

Teaching Assistant, Advanced Thermodynamics (I), graduate-level

Present

• Hold weekly office hours to answer questions about the course from 50 graduate-level students

Teaching Assistant, Engineering Mathematics (1), (2), conducted in English

Fall 2021 - Present

- Prepare and grade quizzes and assignments for the lecture, including ODE, linear algebra, complex analysis, and PDE
- Hold TA office hours and a review lecture of 1 hour for the midterm exam in English

• Held TA office hours and graded assignments and exams for 50 sophomore-level undergraduates

Skills

Programming Language: FORTRAN, MATLAB, Python, C++

Computer-Aid Design Software: SolidWorks, Autodesk Inventor, AutoCAD

English (Advanced) : TOEFL: 102/120; GRE: 325/340, AW: 3.5 **German (Beginner):** Completed B1 level language courses in NTU