# Chih-Chin (Zhijin) Liu

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### **EDUCATION**

#### Tsinghua University (Global Ranking 23)

Beijing, China

Master in Mechanical Engineering; GPA: 3.73/4.0

2021 - Expected June, 2024

Department of Mechanical Engineering - Lab of Precision Equipment & Control

- Core Courses: Introduction to Modern Control Theories and Methods, Advanced Numerical Analysis, Mechatronic Intelligent Control Engineering, Modern Mechatronics System.
- Research Field: Piezoelectric Actuator, Ultra-precision Control, Carbon material.
- Scholarship: Outstanding Postgraduate Award of Tsinghua University, Minor Award, 2022.

## Hunan University (Global Ranking 168)

Changsha, China

Bachelor in Mechanical Engineering, GPA: 3.33/4.0

2017 - 2021

College of Mechanical & Vehicle Engineering - State Key Laboratory of Advanced Design

- Research Experiences: Flexible Sensor, Fault Diagnosis, Deep learning
- Scholarships:
  - o Ministry of Education scholarship: Major Award 2020, Minor Award 2018, 2019.
  - o Outstanding Undergraduate Students Award of Hunan University: Minor Award, 2020.
  - o Individual outstanding (Research) scholarship of Human University, 2018
- Honors: Outstanding Graduation Design of Hunan University (Top 1%).

  Outstanding Graduates of Hunan University, 2021.

  Outstanding Volunteer of Social Practice, National Cooperation Office.

#### Research and Projects

#### Research on Piezoelectric Nano-Precision Control

2021-2023, THU

- Proposed a novel nonlinearity compensation scheme that exhibits a comparative performance to the iterative learning control (ILC) without abundant time consuming off-line iterations or complex hysteresis model while augmenting the robustness to trajectory variations.
- A two-axis motion platform was built to further optimize the algorithm by taking the contour control error and attempting to further extend it to Atomic Force Microscopy (AFM).

#### An Ultrafast Low-Grade Coal Upgrade Approach

2021-2022, THU

- Proposed an ultrafast process to upgrade a low-grade coal lignite into conductive porous material and successfully applied to solar-driven water treatment.
- The process eliminates the complex pre-activation processes in conventional approaches. The whole process takes only 30 s with an ultrafast heating rate exceeding 9000°C/min and a maximum temperature over 1500°C.
- The final product exhibits remarkable properties. Under 1 sun, its application to solar-driven water treatment brings a significant increase (~8 times) in water evaporation rate than water itself, while exhibiting over 98.2% removal rate of contaminants.

#### A Small Parallel Cable-Driven Robot Based on TCPF

2021, THU

- Led three graduate students to complete the design and manufacturing of Twisted and Coiled Polymel Fiber (TCPF), a type of artificial muscle made by fish line.
- Combined it with small parallel robots to achieve the task such as handling, assembling and positioning. One paper has been published and the merits could be summarized as follows:
  - Large stroke: the deformation can reach to 35% of the length itself,
  - Large load: the maximum load can reach 50g without affecting the accuracy,
  - High energy density: only weighs 0.5g, but can afford more than 50g.

#### State Key Laboratory of Advanced Design and Manufactur

2020-2021, HNU

- The combination of CNN and attention mechanism is used to imporve the accuracy of segmentation of pigmented tumor images (The main work is data preprocessing and model porting).
- Under the casein sodium salt and polydopamine hydrogel system (SC-PDA), the material conductivity was improved by doping carbon black (GF $\approx$ 10), and then has been applied to the human motion signals acquisition and robot remote control (Graduation Design).

#### Mechanical Fault Diagnosis Laboratory

2019-2020, HNU

- Conducted extensive research on fault diagnosis of rotating machinery, specializing in Wavelet Transform and Empirical Mode Decomposition (EMD).
- Acquired basic training in paper writing and research methodologies, demonstrating proficiency in experimental design and data analysis.

#### Geek Space Innovation Center, Department of Industrial Training

- Led a team of five students from diverse backgrounds in mechanical, electronic, and information engineering to successfully apply for and complete a two-year national student innovation project: "Automatic Ash Cleaning Bird Pecking Moxibustion".
- Secured a total funding of \$5,000 for the project and Published 2 patents.

#### Publications and Patents

- [1] C. Liu, C. Hu, Z. Liu, H Han, Z. Wang, "Small Parallel Cable-Driven Robot Based on TCPF Design and Control Research" [C]. 2022 IEEE RCAR: 118-123. (Oral report, Best Paper in Control Finalist).
- [2] Z. Zhao, C. Hu, Z. Wang, S. Wu, Z. Liu, Y. Zhu, "Back EMF-Based Dynamic Position Estimation in the Whole Speed Range for Precision Sensorless Control of PMLSM"[J]. IEEE Transactions on Industrial Informatics, 2022.
- [3] C. Liu, R. Chen, Y. Wei, Y. Huang, Z. Zhang, Y. Zhao, et al. "Reconstructing the Nanoscale Porous Structures in Coal-based Membranes by Ultrafast High-Temperature Sintering for Solar-driven Water Treatment"[J]. Available at SSRN 4435592. Nano Energy, Revision Submitted to Journal.
- [4] C. Liu, C. Hu, et al. "Model-free adaptive nonlinearity and hysteresis compensation control strategy with application to a nano-precision piezoelectric stage" [C]. 023 ASME IMECE, Under Review.
- [5] M. Zhang, J. Huang, Q. Li, Z. Liu, et al. "Laser upgraded petroleum/coal tar for smart pavements towards road structural health and traffic monitoring applications" [J]. Nature Sustainability, Under Review.
- [6] J. Yu, C. Hu, Z. Wang, Z. Liu, et al. "Printing Three-dimensional Refractory Metal Patterns in Ambient Air: Toward High Temperature Sensors"[J]. Advanced Science, Under Review.
- [7] C. Yin, J. Wu, J. Zhou, D. Zhang, Z. Liu, et al. "Enhancing the sensitivity of flexible acoustic wave ultraviolet photodetector with graphene-quantum-dots decorated ZnO nanowires"[J]. Sensors and Actuators A: Physical.
- [8] Z. Liu, K. Zhao, W. Tian "A moxibustion instrument with automatic cleaning"/P]. CN213608199U, 2021-07-06.

## ACTIVITIES

#### Rural Revitalization Workstation, Detachment Leader

July 2022, Xiangxiang, Hunan

- Led 20 members from 9 different universities to conduct field research in rural Hunan for 10 days.
- Produced 18 architectural renderings, 9 creative designs, 3 research works, 2 academic reports...
- Published 10 news and 2 videos, covered by social media 8 times with more than 20,000 reads.

#### Candidates for the Inheritors of Intangible Cultural Heritage

2021-, Xiangtan, Hunan

• Have been learning Face-changing in Sichuan Opera for more than one year.

Class Leader

2019-2021, Changsha, China

• Elected as the class leader serving 30 students at Hunan University.

#### Half Marathon Finisher

Apr 2023, Beijing, China

# Practical Skills

English (C1), Chinese (Native) • Languages

Python, C++, LATEX • Coding

• Software MATLAB, Simulink, SolidWorks, Altium Designer

#### Referrers

- Supervisor: Chuxiong Hu, Associate Professor, Tsinghua University.
- Undergraduate Supervisor: Huigao Duan, Professor, Hunan University.