Dayu Xia

EDUCATION

Zhejiang University

2022.09 - 2026.06

B.Eng. in Mechanical Engineering

GPA: 3.81/4.0, Rank: 6/56

University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign (Dual-Degree Program)

2022.09 - 2026.06

B.S. in Mechanical Engineering (minor in Mathematics)

GPA: 3.91/4.0

Coursework & Skills

Selectivee Courses: Calculus, Differential Equations, Linear Algebra, Probability Theory, Numerical Analysis, Quantum Physics, Fluid Dynamics, Mechanical Design, Analog Circuits & Systems, Signal Processing, Data Structures

English: TOEFL: 107, CET-6: 604, CET-4: 680 Programming Languages: Python, C++, LATEX Miscellaneous: Pytorch, Arduino, GitHub, SolidWorks, Adobe Toolkit

Publications

D. Xia*, S. Annamraju*, H. Nisar*, S. A. Deka, A. Horowitz, N. Milković, and D. M. Stipanović, "Robotic Trail Maker Platform for Rehabilitation in Neurological Conditions: Clinical Use Cases", submitted to IEEE TNSRE, under review.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Aalto University | Supervised by Prof. Shankar Deka

2025.05 -

Research Thesis: Hierarchical Inverse Model Predictive Control via Data-driven Stochastic Modeling

- Achieve Imitation Learning by utilizing a bi-level structure combining optimal control and optimization.
- Model cost functions by data-driven stochastic Model Predictive Control with receding horizon.

University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign | Supervised by Prof. Dušan Stipanović

2024.06 - 2025.04

Research Thesis: Robotic Rehabilitation Therapy via Trajectory & Assistance Level Planning

- Develop Conv@BiLSTM (1D-CNN + Attention + Bi-LSTM) architecture, patient classification accuracy improved by nearly 10% compared to other state-of-the-art models.
- Use Inverse RL and Assistance-As-Needed techniques for auxiliary level planning.

Zhejiang University | Supervised by Prof. Liangjing Yang

2023.09 - 2023.12

Research Thesis: Robotic Hand Feedback Control System via Haptic Sensing

- Redesign knuckle and palm structures via Solidworks to accommodate haptic sensors and motors.
- Construct a simulation environment based on Gazebo and ROS, facilitating hardware-software interface emulation.

SELECTIVE AWARDS & PROJECTS

Provincial Scholarship (3%), Zhejiang Provincial Government	2024.09
Dean's List, Zhejiang University & University of Illinois Urbana Champaign	2024.09
Participant, HKUST Summer Camp for Elite Students (hosted by Dept. of IEDA)	2024.07
Silver Metal, China International College Students' Innovation Competition	2023.11
Second Prize, Zhejiang University Student Scholarship	2023.09 & 2024.09
First Prize, Zhejiang University Student Winter Vacation Social Practice	2023.05
Honorable Mention, Mathematical Contest In Modeling	2023.02
Second Prize, The Chinese Mathematics Competitions	2022.11