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Applying for EE/ECE/EECS Ph.D.

Research Interests

Biomedical Monitoring System	low-complexity, privacy-preserving, and high-performance
Signal Processing	biomedical signal processing, array signal processing and compressed sensing
Machine Learning	low-complexity algorithms and sparsity-based algorithms
VLSI design	co-optimization with software and low-power design

Education

National Taiwan University (NTU)

Taipei, Taiwan

B.S. in Department of Electrical Engineering — Sept. 2014 - Jan. 2019

- Achieved 4.19/4.30 (3.98/4.00) overall GPA and 4.19/4.30 (3.98/4.00) major GPA.
- Ranked in top 5% by cumulative GPA

Research Experiences

ECG Real-Time Telemonitoring with Compressed Analysis

NTU, Taiwan

Access IC Lab (Prof. An-Yeu (Andy) Wu, IEEE Fellow) — Aug. 2017 - PRESENT

- **Edge Classification**: Incorporated compressed sensing (CS), task-driven dictionary learning (predictive sparse coding) and PCA to render light-weighted classifier and overcome limited labeled data challenge
- **On-Demand Recovery** (ongoing): Design a two-stage algorithm to classify and then reconstruct only problematic signals, utilizing the information from classification stage to speed up the reconstruction algorithm
- **Hardware Design and Chip Implementation** (ongoing): Propose a hardware architecture for on-demand recovery to allow hardware sharing between classification and reconstruction algorithms

Direction-of-Arrival (DOA) Estimation

NTU, Taiwan

Group of Electromagnetic Applications (Prof. Jean-Fu Kiang) — Feb. 2017 - PRESENT

- **Antenna Uncertainty**: Utilized special matrix structure with Khatri-Rao subspace-based MUltiple SIgnal Classification (MUSIC) to improve immunity to uncertainties and detect DOAs with sensors half the number of sources
- **More Sources Than Sensors**: Proposed a new antenna array structure to increase the detectable number of sources based on fourth-order statistics and compressive sensing approach
- **Mixed Carrier Frequency (CF) Known and Unknown Sources**: Proposed a two-step algorithm to first estimate DOA of known sources and then joint estimate the DOA and CF of unknown sources
- **Near Sea Surface Environment** (ongoing): Consider the influence of multipath propagation (coherent signal) and sea clutter (backscattered signal from the sea surface)

Publications

Accepted

[6] **Joint Estimation of DOA and Frequency From A Mixture of Frequency Known and Unknown Sources with Orthogonal Coprime Arrays** — Jan. 2019
K.-C. Hsu and J.-F. Kiang
Sensors, to appear

[5] **Low-Complexity Compressed Analysis in Eigenspace with Limited Labeled Data for Real-Time Electrocardiography Telemonitoring** | — Anaheim, USA, Nov. 2018
K.-C. Hsu, B.-H. Cho, C.-Y. Chou and A.-Y. (Andy) Wu
IEEE Global Conference on Signal and Information Processing (GlobalSIP)

[4] **Joint Estimation of DOA and Carrier Frequency Based on Coprime Arrays** — Toyama, Japan, Aug. 2018
K.-C. Hsu and J.-F. Kiang
Progress In Electromagnetics Research Symposium (PIER S)

[3] **DOA Estimation With Triply Primed Arrays Based on Fourth-Order Statistics** — Boston, USA, July 2018
K.-C. Hsu and J.-F. Kiang
IEEE AP-S Symposium on Antennas and Propagation and USNC-URSI Radio Science Meeting

[2] **DOA Estimation Using Triply Primed Arrays Based on Fourth-Order Statistics** | — Mar. 2018
K.-C. Hsu and J.-F. Kiang
Progress In Electromagnetics Research M, Vol. 67, pp. 55-64

[1] **DOA Estimation of Quasi-Stationary Signals Using a Partly-Calibrated Uniform Linear Array with Fewer Sensors Than Sources** | Jan. 2018
K.-C. Hsu and J.-F. Kiang
Progress In Electromagnetics Research M, Vol. 63, pp. 185-193

In Preparation

- C.-Y. Chou, **K.-C. Hsu**, B.-H. Cho and A.-Y. (Andy) Wu, "On-Demand Recovery Algorithms for ECG Telemonitoring," in preparation for *IEEE Trans. Signal Process.* (Expected Feb. 2019)
- **K.-C. Hsu** and J.-F. Kiang, "Elevation Angle Estimation of Targets Near Sea Surface under Cluttering," in preparation for *IEEE Trans. Antennas Propagat.* (Expected Jan. 2019)

Honors & Awards

3rd Prize in Integrated Circuit Design Contest — Ministry of Education, Taiwan
- Out of about 300 teams — July 2018

2nd Prize in Taiwan Creative Electromagnetic Implementation Competition — High-speed RF and mm-Wave Tech. Center, Taiwan
- Under the supervision of Prof. Tzong-Lin Wu, IEEE Fellow
- Implemented an electromagnetic structure longer than 2.5 m with only stationery and achieved -7.8 dB insertion loss at 3 GHz | — Aug. 2017

8th place in Data Structure and Programming Contest — Cadence, Taiwan
- Out of about 250 students — Mar. 2017

Digital IC Design Certificate — National Chip Implementation Center, Taiwan
- Familiar with Verilog, logic synthesis, simulation, STA and cell library — Nov. 2018

Graduate Representative in NTUEE graduate ceremony — Dept. of EE, NTU, Taiwan
- Given to top ten students of four years — June 2018

Professor Chun-Hsiung Chen Scholarship — Electromagnetic Industry-Academia Consortium, Taiwan
- Rewarded outstanding performances in electromagnetic fields — Jan. 2018

Presidential Awards $\times 2$ — Dept. of EE, NTU, Taiwan
- Given to top ten students of that semester — second semester of 2014 and 2016

Selected Course Projects

Survey of Dictionary Learning | — Mathematical Principles of Machine Learning
team project — June 2018
- Contribution: served as **project speaker** and surveyed predictive dictionary learning and sparse coding optimization
- Studied generalization bound of reconstructive and predictive dictionary learning
- Studied optimization algorithm of dictionary learning, including MOD, ODL, K-SVD and TDD
- Studied sparse coding optimization algorithm, including sub-gradient descent, ISTA and FISTA

An Analysis of Deep Neural Networks in Hardware Perspective | — Advanced Integrated Circuit Design
Python, team project — Jan. 2018
- Contribution: served as **leader** to distribute work and surveyed the structure of residual net, Inception v4 and Xception
- Reviewed many state-of-the-art very deep CNNs, including AlexNet, VGG net, Inception, ResNet and Xception
- Analyzed with estimation accuracy and resource consumption and provided insight of hardware-friendly designs

Different Handover Policies in Different Environments | — Intro. to Wireless and Mobile Networking
Matlab, team project — June 2017
- Contribution: served as **project speaker**, conducted simulations and analyzed results
- Proposed four different handover policies and compared performances among different environments

Pipelined MIPS CPU | — Computer Architecture
Verilog, team project — June 2017
- Contribution: served as **leader** to distribute work, design whole structure and implement basic function of CPU
- Implemented a pipelined MIPS CPU with support of multiplication and division and overcame data hazard and branch hazard

Working Experiences

Research Assistant — NTU, Taiwan
Access IC Lab (Prof. An-Yeu (Andy) Wu, IEEE Fellow) — Feb. 2018 - PRESENT

Teaching Assistant — NTU, Taiwan
Digital System Design — Feb. 2018 - June 2018