Eric Lei

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RESEARCH **INTERESTS**

Signal processing, machine learning, communication theory, high-performance computing

EDUCATION University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA 2020 - Present

Ph.D. in *Electrical and Systems Engineering* Information and Decision Systems

Cornell University, Ithaca, NY

2016 - 2020

B.S. in *Electrical and Computer Engineering* Minors in Mathematics and Computer Science

HONORS AND AWARDS

NSF Graduate Research Fellowship, National Science Foundation 2020 Ganster Engineering Fellowship, University of Pennsylvania 2020 The Dean's Fellowship, University of Pennsylvania 2020 Sigma Xi (nominated) 2020 Tau Beta Pi 2019 Eta Kappa Nu 2018

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

VLSI Information Processing Group, Ithaca, NY

Feb 2018 - Present

Undergraduate Researcher, Prof. Christoph Studer

- Positioning and localization in multi-antenna wireless systems
- Developed parametric dimensionality reduction and metric learning methods via Siamese neural networks to obtain location information from channel-state-information

Computer Systems Laboratory, Ithaca, NY

Jun. 2017 – Aug. 2017

Undergraduate Researcher, Prof. Zhiru Zhang

 Developed FPGA-accelerated implementations of cryptographic hash functions such as SHA and AES using high-level synthesis

INDUSTRY EXPERIENCE

Systems & Technology Research, Woburn, MA

Jun 2020 - Present

Research Intern, Cyber Physical Systems

• Algorithms for frequent subgraph mining and isomorphism applications

MIT Lincoln Laboratory, Lexington, MA

May 2019 - Aug 2019

Summer Research Intern, Group 99 (Integrated Systems and Concepts)

• Information theory and control systems design for free-space laser communication systems

MIT Lincoln Laboratory, Lexington, MA

Jun. 2018 – Aug 2018

Summer Research Intern, Group 99 (Integrated Systems and Concepts)

 Read-out integrated circuits for imaging sensors. Performed RTL design and verification with synthesis/implementation on a Xilinx Ultrascale FPGA.

PRESENTATIONS

PUBLICATIONS AND E. Lei, O. Castañeda, O. Tirkkonen, T. Goldstein, and C. Studer, "Siamese Neural Networks for Wireless Positioning and Channel Charting," 2019 57th Annual Allerton Conference on Communication, Control, and Computing (Allerton), Monticello, IL, 2019, pp. 200-207.

E. Lei, O. Castañeda, and C. Studer, "Wireless Positioning via Twin Networks," poster presentation at Cornell Undergraduate Research Board Symposium, Ithaca, NY, USA, Spring 2019.

TEACHING

Teaching Assistant, Intro to Probability and Inference (ECE 3100) Spring 2020 Teaching Assistant, Machine Learning for Intelligent Systems (CS 4780) Fall 2019 Teaching Assistant, Digital Logic and Computer Organization (ECE 2300) Fall 2018 Teaching Assistant, The Comp. Tech. Inside Your Smartphone (ECE 1210) Spring 2018, 2019

CAMPUS

Expanding Your Horizons, Ithaca, NY

April 2019

INVOLVEMENT AND Volunteer

OUTREACH

• Helped under-represented minorities in high school learn about circuits in an educational workshop

Eta Kappa Nu, Ithaca, NY

Oct. 2018 - Present

Member

Led exam review sessions for freshman and sophomore level ECE classes

IEEE Cornell Student Branch, Ithaca, NY

Sep. 2018 – Feb. 2019

Corporate Chair

• Hosted information sessions for companies doing recruiting, professor talks for the student body

Cornell University Engineering Success, Ithaca, NY

Jan. 2018 - Dec. 2018

• Tutor for students in Discrete Structures (CS 2800)

Cornell Cup Robotics, Ithaca, NY

Jan. 2017 – Feb. 2018

Electrical Subteam Member

• Worked on electronic hardware and software for semi-autonomous R2-D2 robot

TECHNICAL SKILLS Computer Languages: C, C++, MATLAB, Python, Java, Verilog, R, PyMTL

Libraries/Packages: NumPy, SciPy, Tensorflow, Keras, Scikit Learn, OpenMP, CVXPy, PyBind,

Rcpp

Tools: Git, Xilinx Vivado, Cadence Innovus