

Lei Zhang

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Education

Ph.D. in Civil (Structural) Engineering - Northeastern University

2019/09 - Present

- Research Interest: *Performance-based Wind Engineering, Fragility Analysis, Life-Cycle Cost Analysis*
- CS Related Courses: *Algorithms; Data Structures, Algorithms & Applications in Computer Systems; Database Management System; Concepts of Object-Oriented Design; Introduction to Machine Learning and Pattern Recognition; Engineering Probability and Statistics*

M.E. in Architectural and Civil Engineering - Tongji University

2016/09 - 2019/06

- Thesis: *Modal Participation and Degree of Freedom Coupling Effects in Bridge Flutter Analysis*

B.E. in Civil Engineering - Tongji University

2012/09 - 2016/07

Skills

- Java, JavaScript, Node.js, Python, MATLAB, R, SQL, LaTeX, Git

Projects

YelpCamp for Camping Site Sharing - Node.js, Express, MongoDB

2022/08

- Developed RESTful web services using */textitexpress* to allow session-based client rendering, authentication and authorization
- Integrated map views and interaction into application using third-party APIs

Online Learning Management System - React, Redux, Java, MySQL

2022/07

- Built single-page client using React and implemented client services using Redux to allow course component toggling
- Created a local server hosting a MySQL database to process requests from the client via the Java middle tier
- Implemented RESTful web services on both the client and the server

E-store Web Application - Java Spring Boot, MyBatis, MySQL

2022/01

- Created a client for user register/login, profile access and session-based shopping cart and order management
- Built a local server to reponse to CRUD operations sent by the client through Java Spring Boot

A Local Data Warehouse - R, SQLite

2021/08

- Created a normalized relational OLTP database and populated it with data parsed from an XML document
- Transformed the normalized schema to a star schema with necessary dimension and transaction fact tables suitable for analysis

Experience

Graduate Research Assistant - Northeastern University

2019/09 - Present

- Develop a performance-based wind engineering framework based on Monte Carlo simulation for the risk and life-cycle cost assessment of vertical structures subjected to mixed-climate wind loads
- Apply stochastic methods and deep learning techniques (e.g. artificial neural network) for fast and computationally efficient fragility analysis of vertical structures induced by wind

Teaching Assistant - Northeastern University

2021/09 - 2021/12

- Lectured and provided assistance for *Steel Structure Design* in grading and office hours

Publications

- Zhang, L.; Caracoglia, L. (2021). "Wind-induced fragility of a monopole tower via Artificial Neural Network based surrogate analysis." *Engineering Structures*. (Under review)
- Zhang, L.; Caracoglia, L. (2021). "Layered Stochastic Approximation Monte-Carlo method for tall building and tower fragility in mixed wind load climates." *Engineering Structures*, 239: 112159.
- Yang, Y.; Zhang, L.; Ding, Q.; Ge, Y. (2018). "Flutter performance and improvement for a suspension bridge with central-slotted box girder during erection." *Journal of Wind Engineering and Industrial Aerodynamics*, 179: 118-124.

Awards and Honors

- College of Engineering Dean's Fellowship - Northeastern University
- Excellent Graduate - Tongji University

2019/05

2019/04