Ruirong Chen

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Education

Ph.D candidate in Electrical and Computer Engineering

08/2017 - Present

University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA USA

Advisor: Professor Wei Gao

Master of Electrical and Computer Engineering

08/2015 - 05/2017

University of Florida, Gainesville, Florida USA

Bachelor of Engineering in Communication Engineering Harbin Institute of Technology, Harbin, Heilongjiang China 09/2011 - 07/2015

Research Interests

Wireless networks, Wireless sensing, Internet of Things and Smart health

Research Experiences

Graduate Research Assistant, University of Pittsburgh

09/2017 - Present

- Developed and implemented a new Wireless Physical layer design that enables cross-technology coexistence between different wireless technologies. Such PHY design enables ultra-low latency communications for all coexisted wireless technologies.
- Design a wireless side channel that enables low latency and collision free communications in a congested wireless channel. The side channel operates independently without impacting main channel performance and achieves 2.5Mpbs throughput.

Research Assistant, University of Florida

09/2015 - 05/2017

- Designed and built an acoustic underwater communication modem for a compact AUV. The modem achieves 20kbits/s data rate with 2FSK modulation.
- Built an operational electronic system for a compact AUV. The system enables motor control, optical communication and wireless communication system.

Undergraduate Consultant, Harbin Institute of Technology

04/2014 - 05/2015

- Design a new low latency channel accessing protocol in Medium Access Control.

Pubilications

- 1. Ruirong Chen and Wei Gao. "WiFree: Cost-free Custom Physical-layer Wireless for Commodity Devices",
 The 18th ACM Conference on Embedded Networked Sensor Systems (SenSys), 2020. (Submitted)
- 2. Ruirong Chen and Wei Gao. "StarLego: Enabling Custom Physical-Layer Wireless over Commodity Devices", The 21st International Workshop on Mobile Computing Systems and Applications (HotMobile). 2020.
- 3. Lu, Haoyang, Ruirong Chen, and Wei Gao. "EasyPass: combating IoT delay with multiple access wireless side channels." Proceedings of the 15th International Conference on Emerging Networking Experiments and Technologies (CoNEXT). 2019. (Best paper award)
- 4. Ruirong Chen and Wei Gao. "Enabling Cross-Technology Coexistence for Extremely Weak Wireless Devices", in Proceedings of the 38th IEEE Conference on Computer Communications (INFOCOM), 2019.
- Yuqi Li, Ruirong Chen, Xingzhe Song, Wei Gao, Wei Chen and Erick Forno. "Device-Free Acoustic Motion Tracking over Targets with Large Sizes", The 16th IEEE International Conference on Mobile Ad-Hoc and Smart Systems (MASS). 2019.
- 6. Ruirong Chen, Haoyang Lu, and Wei Gao. "Minimizing Wireless Delay with a High-Throughput Side Channel." IEEE Transactions on Mobile Computing. 2019.
- 7. Zhuoyuan Song, Cameron Mazzola, Eric Schwartz, Ruirong Chen, Julian Finlaw, Mike Krieg, Kamran Mohseni, "A Compact Autonomous Underwater Vehicle with Cephalopod-Inspired Propulsion." Marine Technology Society Journal 50.5 (2016): 88-101.

Honors

Best paper award, ACM CoNEXT 2019	12/2019
Student Travel Grant, IEEE INFOCOM 2019	05/2019
Student Travel Grant, ACM HotMobile 2020	02/2020

Leadership Experience

Dean, HIT International Communication Association	05/2012 - 05/2014
Volunteer, Summer Camp	08/2012