

XIAOJUN ZHANG

Computational Imaging Scientist

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PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Computational imaging scientist with expertise in 3D reconstruction algorithms, physics-informed machine learning, and large-scale image processing. Developed novel framework achieving sub-angstrom accuracy, validated on 50,000+ images in automated production pipeline. Strong background in inverse problems, iterative optimization, and translating research algorithms to practical applications.

EDUCATION

Ph.D., Computational Science	Sep 2019 – Sep 2025
<i>City University of Hong Kong</i>	
• Focus: Computational imaging, inverse problems, reconstruction algorithms, statistical modeling	
• Thesis: "3D Atomic Structure Reconstruction and Dynamic Analysis of Graphene using High-speed Low-dose TEM Imaging"	
M.S., Mechanical Engineering	Sep 2016 – Jul 2019
<i>Xi'an Jiaotong University</i>	
• Focus: Micro-nano Manufacturing, Experimental Design, Flexible Electronics	
• Thesis: "Nanoscale Transfer Printing of Functional Materials for Flexible Electronic Devices"	
B.S., Mechanical Engineering	Sep 2012 – Jul 2016
<i>Northwest A&F University</i>	
• Major: Mechanism Design, Manufacturing and Automatization	
• GPA: 3.65/4.0	
• Thesis: "Nanostructured Flexible Piezoelectric Sensor Manufacturing and Performance Testing", recognized as an excellent paper at the university level	

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

PhD Researcher – Computational Imaging & Algorithm Development

City University of Hong Kong / Hong Kong

Sep 2019 – Sep 2025

Developed physics-informed 3D reconstruction framework for low-dose imaging applications

- **Developed novel computational framework**
 - Formulated and solved ill-posed inverse problem: 3D reconstruction from single 2D projection
 - Developed iterative optimization framework incorporating forward physical model and domain constraints
 - Achieved 0.45Å accuracy (sub-angstrom precision) where conventional methods fail
- **Large-Scale Data Processing:**
 - Built automated pipeline processing 50,000+ experimental images
 - Implemented statistical outlier detection across 200+ billion pixel values using robust methods (MAD)
 - Optimized parallel processing for 24-core workstation
 - Developed comprehensive quality control with automated validation at each pipeline stage
- **Advanced Image Processing:**
 - Systematically compared three denoising methods: BM3D, Dictionary Learning (K-SVD), CNN (U-Net)
 - Implemented custom U-Net architecture for image enhancement
 - Selected optimal method for production deployment based on quantitative metrics (PSNR, SSIM, speed)
 - Achieved effective noise reduction in extreme SNR scenarios (SNR < 3)
- **Real-Time Dynamics Capture:**
 - First demonstration of millisecond-scale 3D dynamics from single projections

- Revealed structural evolution and defect formation mechanisms
- **Computational Validation:**
- Integrated Molecular Dynamics (LAMMPS) for physical plausibility validation
- Performed DFT calculations (VASP) correlating 3D structure with electronic properties
- Implemented forward modeling for projection physics simulation

Research Assistant (Master's Program)

Xi'an Jiaotong University / Xi'an

Sep 2016 – Sep 2019

Micro-nano Manufacturing & Flexible Electronics

- Designed and fabricated micro-nanostructured flexible sensors achieving 2-3x performance improvement
- Developed novel liquid-bridge transfer printing method for high-precision device fabrication
- Engineered multi-functional sensors (force-heat integrated) for 3D curved surfaces
- Characterized devices using electrochemical testing (CV, GCD, EIS) and statistical analysis
- Expertise in cleanroom fabrication, electron microscopy (SEM, TEM), materials characterization

SKILLS

Computing Imaging:

Image Reconstruction, 3D Reconstruction, Inverse Problems, Low-Dose Imaging, Physics-Informed Optimization

Image Processing & Computer Vision

Advanced Denoising (BM3D, Dictionary Learning, CNN), Feature Extraction, Artifact Correction, Quality Assessment

Machine Learning & Deep Learning:

Physics-Informed ML, PyTorch, TensorFlow, Sparse Coding (K-SVD), Statistical Learning

Statistical & Optimization Methods:

Bayesian Inference, Maximum Likelihood Estimation, Monte Carlo Methods, Simulated Annealing

Simulation & Modeling

Molecular Dynamics (LAMMPS), DFT (VASP), TEM Simulation (Tempas), Visualization (PyMOL, VESTA), AutoCAD, SolidWorks, CloudCompare

Programming:

Python, MATLAB, R, Git, Linux/HPC

PUBLICATION & PORTFOLIO

- **X. Zhang**, et al. "Revealing 3D Atomic Dynamics of Graphene via High-Speed Low-Dose TEM Imaging" (*Manuscript in preparation*)
- **Complete Research Portfolio:** <https://github.com/xjzhang2365/3D-Reconstruction-Low-Dose-Imaging>

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Teaching Assistant | City University of Hong Kong

- MNE3007: CAD/CAM 2022/2023 Sem A
- MNE6125 & MNE8108: Engineering Methods 2022/2023 Sem A

HONORS & AWARDS

- **President Scholarship**, Northwest A&F University (2014)
- **National Scholarship**, China (2013)
- **Merit Student**, Northwest A&F University (2013-2016)
- **Professional First-Class Scholarships**, Northwest A&F University (2013-2016)

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- **Language:** English (Fluent), Mandarin (Native)
- **Interests:** Reading, Jogging, Tennis, Piano, Hiking