Hello everyone,

Enclosed please find Northeastern ECE's Annual Scholarship Report, highlighting the research and accomplishments of our 54 faculty in the past year, including young investigator awards from three agencies to 5 faculty. Last year marked the largest number of PhD graduates in the history of the department, with 44 students receiving doctorates. Our PhD students are also benefitting from our newly launched Professional Development Workshop Series.

ECE has added 5 new faculty for the 2015/16 academic year, welcoming Mahshid Amirabadi in power electronics, Stratis loannidis in big data, Sarah Ostadabbas in cyber-human systems, Taskin Padir in robotics, and Hanu Singh in robotics and sensing. Additionally, Tommaso Melodia joined us in 2014 in the area of wireless networks.

Northeastern's College of Engineering continues its growth in both size and scope, with our newly formed Bioengineering department now offering BS, MS, and PhD degrees. We look forward to an enhanced infrastructure in 2016, adding a 220,000 square foot interdisciplinary science and engineering complex that will provide state-of-the art labs for researchers across the college.

> I invite you to visit us the next time you are in Boston - please stop by to share your recent discoveries with us and allow our faculty and students to share theirs with you.

> > Sincerely,

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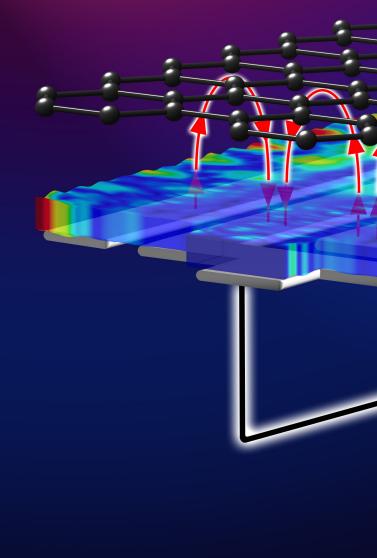
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COVER IMAGE

The illustration depicts a virtually massless single-atom thick sheet of carbon, used as an "ideal electrode" for a laterally vibrating piezoelectric nano electro mechanical resonator. The virtually massless graphene electrode, floating at van der Walls proximity, confines the RF electric field within the active volume of the piezoelectric NEMS resonator. It differs from a conventional metal electrode in that it does not dampen the resonator's vibration, thereby allowing the device to vibrate at its "unloaded" frequency limit, with significantly reduced energy dissipation compared to a metal electrode.

This work recently appeared in Nano Letters, "Graphene as a Massless Electrode for Ultrahigh-frequency Piezoelectric Nanoelectromechanical Systems," Zhenyun Qian, Fangze Liu, Yu Hui, Swastik Kar, and Matteo Rinaldi.

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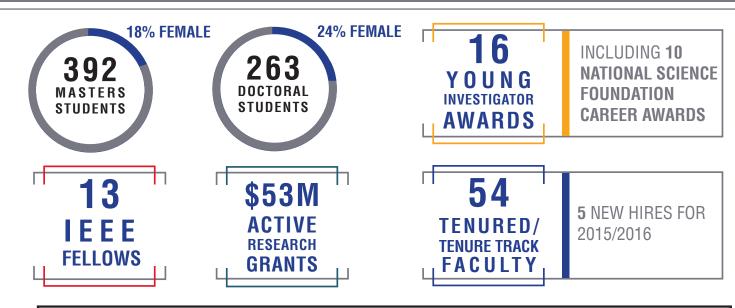
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\$15M ANNUAL FACULTY RESEARCH EXPENDITURES

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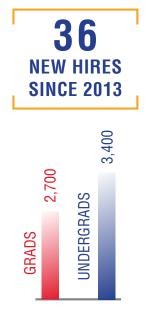
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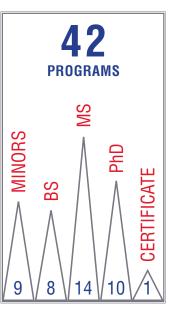
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50 YOUNG INVESTIGATOR AWARDS

5 DEPARTMENTS Bioengineering | Chemical Engineering

Civil and Environmental Engineering Electrical and Computer Engineering Mechanical and Industrial Engineering





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HONORS Achievements

* PhD student co-author

PATENTS

Professor Vincent Harris was awarded a patent for creating "Cobalt Carbide-Based Nanoparticle Permanent Magnet Materials."

Associate Professor Hossein Mosallaei was awarded a patent for his designs of a "Tunable Negative Permeability Based Devices."

Professor Brad Lehman was awarded a patent for his design of a "Non-Superconducting Fault Current Limiter."

Professor Nian Sun was awarded a patent for his invention of "High Energy Density Vibration Energy Harvesting Device with High-Mu Material."

Associate Professor Charles DiMarzio was awarded a patent for his "Tunable Laser-Based Infrared Imaging System and Method of Use Thereof."

Professor David Kaeli was awarded a patent for "Evaluating and Predicting Computer System Performance Using Kneepoint Analysis."

BEST PAPER AWARDS

Associate Professor Yong-Bin Kim was selected for Best Paper at the IEEE MWSCAS 2014 conference for his paper named "Full Custom Implementation of a S-Box Circuit Architecture Using Power Gated PLA Structure," co-authored by Ho Joon Lee* and Kyung Ki Kim*

Professor Dagmar Sternad received the Best Paper award at the International Conference for Virtual Rehabilitation during RehabWeek held in Valencia, Spain, for the paper entitled "*From Theoretical Analysis to Clinical Assessment and Intervention: Three Interactive Motor Skills in a Virtual Environment.*" **Professor Edmund Yeh** was a corecipient of the Best Paper Award at the 2015 IEEE International Conference on Communications Communication Theory Symposium, London, UK for his paper entitled "*Optimization-Based Linear Network Coding for General Connections of Continuous Flows*," co-authored by former NEU postdoc Ying Cui, Muriel Medard, Douglas Leith, and Ken Duffy

COE Distinguished Professor Carey

Rappaport won the best Antenna Design and Application Paper Award at the 9th European Conference on Antennas and Propagation in Lisbon, Portugal. His paper was entitled "*Multistatic Nearfield Imaging Radar for Portal Security Systems Using a High Gain Toroidal Reflector Antenna*," coauthored by former NEU Senior Research Engineer Borja Gonzalez Valdes.

Professor Mitch Kokar and PhD candidates Yanji Chen and Durga Suresh won a Top Paper Award at the Wireless Innovation Forum Conference on Communications Technologies and Software Defined Radio on March 26th, 2015 in San Diego. Their paper entitled *"Mapping Spectrum Consumption Models to Cognitive Radio Ontology for Automatic Inference"*, was co-authored with Jakub Moskal from VIStology, Inc.

COE Distinguished Professor Carey Rappaport and MIE Assistant Professor Jose Martinez-Lorenzo won the Best Propagation Paper Award at the 8th European Conference on Antennas and Propagation for "*A compressed sensingbased imaging system*". This paper was co-authored by Y. Rodriquez*, Y. Alvarez, B. Gonzalez-Valdes, F. Las-Heras, and CenSSIS Senior Research Engineer B. Ganzalez.

NATIONAL/ INTERNATIONAL SERVICE

Sheila Hemami, Professor and Chair of the Electrical and Computer Engineering Department, has been elected Vice President of Publication Services and Products for the IEEE.

Vincent Harris, Professor of Electrical and Computer Engineering, has been selected as a Fulbright Fellow at the Nano-Technology Research Lab at the Wayamba University in Sri Lanka. The student group **Enabling Engineering** delivered two low-cost communication devices to disabled children in Ecuador during their spring break. The interdisciplinary group has combined their knowledge of engineering and physical therapy to design, develop, and then deliver two low-cost communications devices to disabled children living at a pair of orphanages in Ecuador.

FACULTY HONORS AND AWARDS

Associate Professor Kaushik Chowdhury was awarded a \$489K NSF CAREER Award for his project, "IDEA: Integrated Data and Energy Access for Wireless Sensor Networks."

Assistant Professor Ningfang Mi was awarded a \$459K NSF CAREER Award for her project, "Capacity Planning Methodologies for Large Clusters with Heterogeneous Architectures and Diverse Applications."

Assistant Professor Matteo Rinaldi was awarded a \$400K NSF CAREER Award for his project, "Nano Electro Mechanical Resonant Sensing Platform for Chip Scale, High Resolution and Ultra-Fast Terahertz Spectroscopy and Imaging."

Assistant Professor Marvin Onabajo was awarded a \$500K NSF CAREER grant to investigate "Low-Power Transceiver Design Methods for Wireless Medical Monitoring."

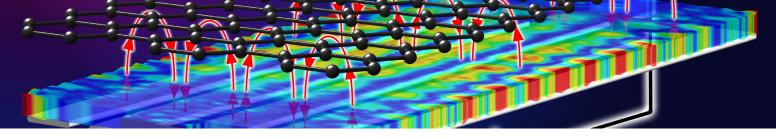
Associate Professor Raymond Fu was awarded an Office of Naval Research Young Investigator Award for his proposal entitled, "Deep Structures Boosted Self-Organized Behavior Pattern Learning for Anomaly Detection."

Assistant Professor Ningfang Mi was awarded an Air Force Young Investigator Award for her proposal entitled, "Creating an Integrated Management Layer to Administer Heterogeneous Resources in Dynamic Workflow Clusters."

Associate Professor Purnima Ratilal-Makris was elected a fellow of the Acoustical Society of America.

Professor Ali Abur received the 2014 IEEE Power & Energy Society Outstanding Power Engineering Educator Award.

Professor Dave Kaeli was elected an ACM Distinguished Scientist.



FACULTY BY RESEARCH AREAS

11 Faculty

COMMUNICATIONS AND SIGNAL PROCESSING

Dana Brooks Jennifer Dy Deniz Erdogmus Sheila S. Hemami Vinay Ingle Hanoch Lev-Ari Sarah Ostadabbas Purnima Ratilal-Makris Masoud Salehi Dagmar Sternad Milica Stojanovic

5 Faculty

MICROSYSTEMS AND DEVICES

Yong-Bin Kim Nicol McGruer Marvin Onabajo Matteo Rinaldi Nian Sun

19 Faculty

COMPUTER ENGINEERING, NETWORKS, AND ROBOTICS

Stefano Basagni Octavia Camps Kaushik Chowdhury Yunsi Fei Yun Raymond Fu Stratis Ioannidis David Kaeli Engin Kirda Mieczyslaw Kokar Miriam Leeser Fabrizio Lombardi Waleed Meleis Tommaso Melodia Ningfang Mi Taskin Padir Wil Robertson Gunar Schirner Hanu Singh Edmund Yeh

13 Faculty

ELECTROMAGNETICS AND OPTICS

Anthony Devaney Charles DiMarzio Vincent Harris Yongmin Liu Edwin Marengo Jose Martinez Lorenzo Stephen McKnight Hossein Mosallaei Mark Niedre Carey Rappaport Philip Serafim Michael B. Silevitch Carmine Vittoria

6 Faculty

POWER ELECTRONICS, SYSTEMS AND CONTROL

Ali Abur Mahshid Amirabadi Bradley Lehman Bahram Shafai Mario Sznaier Gilead Tadmor

ALI ABUR



Professor, Electrical and Computer Engineering

PhD, Ohio State University, 1985 ece.neu.edu/people/abur-ali

Power system monitoring, estimation and optimization, fault location and identification in power grids

Fellow, Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

M. Göl, A. Abur

A Fast Decoupled State Estimator for Systems Measured by PMUs, IEEE Transactions on Power Systems, 30(5), 2015, 2766-2771

M. Göl, A. Abur

Hybrid State Estimator for Systems with Limited Number of PMUs, IEEE Transactions on Power Systems, 30(3), 2015, 1511-1517

A. Rouhani, A. Abur

Real-time Dynamic Parameter Estimation for an Exponential Dynamic Load Model, IEEE Transactions on Smart Grids, 99, 2015

M. Göl, A. Abur

A Robust PMU Based Three-phase State Estimator Using Modal Decoupling, IEEE Transactions on Power Systems, 29(5), 2014, 2292-2299

M. Göl, A. Abur

LAV Based Robust State Estimation for Systems Measured by PMUs, IEEE Transactions on Smart Grids, 5(4), 2014, 1808-1814

R. Emami, A. Abur

External System Line Outage Identification Using Phasor Measurement Units, IEEE Transactions on Power Systems, 28, 2013, 1035-1040

L. Zhang, A. Abur

Identifying Parameter Errors via Multiple Measurement Scans, IEEE Transactions on Power Systems, 28(4), 2013, 3916-3923

M. Göl, A. Abur

Observability and Criticality Analyses for Power Systems Measured by Phasor Measurements, IEEE Transactions on Power Systems, 28(3), 2013, 3319-3326

M. Korkali, A. Abur

Robust Fault-location Using Least-absolute-value Estimator, IEEE Transactions on Power Systems, 28(4), 2013, 4384-4392

SELECTED RESEARCH PROJECTS

Engineering Research Center for Ultra-wide Area Resilient Electric Energy Transmission Network Site Principal Investigator, National Science Foundation Design of Boundary Measurements to Avoid Spreading of Errors

in Power Grids Principal Investigator, PJM Interconnection

MAHSHID AMIRABADI



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PhD, Texas A&M University, 2013 ece.neu.edu/people/amirabadi-mahshid

Design, modeling and control of power converters, power electronics for renewable energy systems, microgrids, variable speed

drives and wireless power transfer

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

M. Amirabadi, H. A. Toliyat, J. Baek

Bidirectional Soft-switching Series AC-link Inverter, IEEE Transactions on Industry Applications, 51, 2015, 2312-2320

M. Amirabadi, J. Baek, H.A. Toliyat, W.C. Alexander Soft-switching AC-link threephase AC-AC Buck-Boost Converter, IEEE Transactions on Industrial Electronics, 62, 2015, 3-14

M. Amirabadi

Extremely Sparse Parallel AC-link Universal Power Converters, Proceedings of IEEE Energy Conversion Congress and Exposition (ECCE), 2014, 1534-1541

M. Amirabadi, A. Balakrishnan, H. Toliyat, W.C. Alexander High Frequency AC-link PV Inverter, IEEE Transactions on Industrial Electronics, 61, 2014, 281-291

M. Amirabadi, J. Baek, H.A. Toliyat Sparse AC-link Buck-boost Inverter, IEEE Transactions on Power Electronics, 29, 2014, 3942-3953

M. Amirabadi, H. A. Toliyat, W.C. Alexander A Multi-port AC Link PV Inverter with Reduced Size and Weight for Stand-alone Application, IEEE Transactions on Industry Applications, 49, 2013, 2217-2228

STEFANO BASAGNI



Associate Professor, Electrical and Computer Engineering: affiliated faculty, Bioengineering

PhD, University of Texas, Dallas, 2001 PhD, University of Milan, Italy, 1998 ece.neu.edu/people/basagni-stefano

Wireless networks; ad hoc networks; underwater and terrestrial sensor networking;

protocol design and testing

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

- D. Spenza, M. Magno, S. Basagni, L. Benini, M. Paoli, et al. Bevond Duty Cycling: Wake-up Radio with Selective Awakenings for Long-lived Wireless Sensing Systems, Proceedings of IEEE Infocom 2015, Hong Kong, China, April 26-30, 2015
- D. Mishra, S. De, S. Jana, S. Basagni, K.R. Chowdhury, et al. Smart RF Energy Harvesting Communications: Challenges and Opportunities, Communications Magazine, IEEE, 53(4), 2015, 70-78
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- C. Petrioli, M. Nati, P. Casari, M. Zorzi, S. Basagni ALBA-R: Load-balancing Geographic Routing Around Connectivity Holes in Wireless Sensor Networks, IEEE Transactions on Parallel and Distributed Systems, 24(3), 2014, 529-539
- S. Basagni, C. Petrioli, R. Petroccia, D. Spaccini CARP: A Channel-aware Routing Protocol for Underwater Acoustic Wireless Networks, Ad Hoc Networks, Available online, August 2014
- M.Y. Naderi, K.R. Chowdhury, S. Basagni, W. Heinzelman, et al. Experimental Study of Concurrent Data and Wireless Energy Transfer for Sensor Networks, Proceedings of IEEE Globecom 2014, Austin, TX, December 8-12, 2014, 2543-2549
- S. Basagni, L. Boloni, C. Petrioli, C.A. Phillips, D. Turgut Maximizing the Value of Sensed Information in Underwater Wireless Sensor Networks via an Autonomous Underwater Vehicle, in Proceedings of IEEE Infocom 2014, Toronto, Canada, April 27- May 2, 2014, 988-996
- L. Chen, S. Cool, H. Ba, W. Heinzelman, S. Basagni, et al. Range Extension of Passive Wake-up Radio Systems through Energy Harvesting, Proceedings of IEEE ICC 2013, Ad Hoc and Sensor Networking Symposium, Budapest, Hungary, June 9-13, 2013, 1549-1554, Best Paper Award

SELECTED RESEARCH PROJECTS

Development of the Northeastern University Marine Observatory NETwork

Principal Investigator, National Science Foundation

DANA BROOKS



Professor, Electrical and Computer Engineering: affiliated faculty, Bioengineering

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Biomedical signal and image processing; medical imaging; statistical signal processing: inverse problems:

electrocardiography; bio-optical imaging; magnetic resonance imaging: transcranial neuromodulation: estimation of protein conformations from Xray scattering; regularization; optimization

Søren Buus Outstanding Research Award, College of Engineering

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

A.E. Onut, M. Akcakaya, J.P. Bardhan, D. Erdogmus, D.H. Brooks, L. Makowski

Constrained Maximum Likelihood Estimation of Relative Abundances of Protein Conformation in a Heterogeneous Mixture from Small Angle X-Ray Scattering Intensity Measurements, IEEE Transactions on Signal Processing, 63(20), 2015, 5383-5394

J. Sourati, D. Erdogmus, J.G. Dy, D.H. Brooks

Accelerated Learning-based Interactive Image Segmentation using Pairwise Constraints, IEEE Transactions on Image

Processing, 23(7), 2014, 3057-3070 S. Kurugol, K. Kose, B. Park, J.G Dv. D.H. Brooks.

M. Rajadhyaksha

Automated Delineation of Dermal-epidermal Junction in Reflectance Confocal Microscopy Image Stacks of Human Skin. Journal of Investigative Dermatology, 135(3), 2014

- B. Erem, J. Coll-Font, R. Martinez-Orellana, P. Stovicek, D. Brooks Using Transmural Regularization and Dynamic Modeling for non-Invasive Cardiac Potential Imaging of Endocardial Pacing with Imprecise Thoracic Geometry, IEEE Transactions on Medical Imaging, 3(3), 2014, 726-738
- S. Eichelbaum, M. Dannhauer, M. Hlawitschkae, D. Brooks, T.R. Knosche, G. Scheuermann

Visualizing Simulated Electrical Fields from Electroencephalography and Transcranial Electric Brain Stimulation: A Comparative Evaluation, NeuroImage, 2014, 513-530

SELECTED RESEARCH PROJECTS

Center for Integrative Biomedical Computing Co-Investigator, National Institutes of Health

Precise Characterization of Conformational Ensembles Co-Investigator, National Science Foundation

Automated Image Guidance for Diagnosing Skin Cancer with Confocal Microscopy

Co-Investigator, National Institutes of Health

OCTAVIA CAMPS



Professor, Electrical and Computer Engineering; affiliated faculty, Bioengineering

PhD, University of Washington, 1992 ece.neu.edu/people/camps-octavia

Robust computer vision; image processing; and machine learning

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

- Y. Cheng, J.A. Lopez, O. Camps, M. Sznaier A Convex Optimization Approach to Robust Fundamental Matrix Estimation, Proceedings of the IEEE Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition, 2015, 2170-2178
- S. Markovic, L. Siyuan, M. Sznaier, O. Camps, M. Niedre Computer Vision in Vivo Flow Cytometry of Low-abundance Circulating Cells, Bio-Optics: Design and Application Conference, 2015
- C. Dicle, O. Camps, M. Sznaier The Way They Move: Tracking Multiple Targets with Similar Appearance, IEEE International Conference on Computer Vision (ICCV), Sydney, Australia, 2013
- M. Ayazoglu, B. Yilmaz, M. Sznaier, O. Camps Finding Causal Interactions in Video Sequences, IEEE International Conference on Computer Vision (ICCV), Sydney, Australia, 2013
- F. Xiong, Y. Cheng, O. Camps, M. Sznaier, C. Lagoa Hankel Based Maximum Margin Classifiers: A Connection Between Machine Learning and Wiener Systems Identification, Proceedings 52 IEEE Conference Dec. Control, 2013, 6005-6010

SELECTED RESEARCH PROJECTS

Robust Identification of a Class of Structured Systems with High Dimensional Outputs and Applications

Co-Principal Investigator, National Science Foundation

KAUSHIK CHOWDHURY



Associate Professor, Electrical and Computer Engineering

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Dynamic spectrum access; energy harvesting sensor networks; 5G technology; intra-body communication; protocol design for wireless

Chair of the IEEE Technical Committee on Simulation; National Science Foundation CAREER Award

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

- A. Al-Ali, Y. Sun, M. DiFelice, J. Paavola, K.R. Chowdhury Accessing Spectrum Databases using Interference Alignment in Vehicular Cognitive Radio Networks, IEEE Transactions on Vehicular Technology, 64(1), 2015, 263-272
- S. De, D. Mishra, K.R. Chowdhury

Charging Time Characterization for Wireless RF Energy Transfer, IEEE Transactions on Circuits and Systems II, 64(4), 2015, 362-366

D. Mishra, S. De, S. Jana, S. Basagni, K.R. Chowdhury, et al. Smart RF Energy Harvesting Communications: Challenges and Opportunities, IEEE Communications Magazine, 33(4), 2015, 1-14

Y. Sun, K.R. Chowdhury

Enabling Emergency Communication through Cognitive Radio Vehicular Network, IEEE Communications Magazine, 52(10), 2014, 68-75

M.Y. Naderi, P. Nintanavongsa, K.R. Chowdhury

RF-MAC: A Medium Access Control Protocol for Re-chargeable Sensor Networks Powered by Wireless Energy Harvesting, IEEE Transactions on Wireless Communication, 13(7), 2014, 3926-3937

R. Doost-Mohammady, M.Y. Naderi, K.R. Chowdhury

Spectrum Allocation and QoS Provisioning Framework for Cognitive Radio with Heterogeneous Service Classes, IEEE Transactions on Wireless Communication, 13(7), 2014, 3938-3950

SELECTED RESEARCH PROJECTS

A Flexible and Extensible Solution to Incorporating new RF Devices and Capabilities into EWI ISR Networks

Principal Investigator, Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency

CAREER: IDEA: Integrated Data and Energy Access for Wireless Sensor Networks

Principal Investigator, National Science Foundation

EAGER: Network Protocol Stack for Galvanic Coupled Intra-body Sensor

Principal Investigator, National Science Foundation

Transport Layer Design and Analysis for Cognitive Radio Ad Hoc Networks

Principal Investigator, Office of Naval Research

ANTHONY DEVANEY



COE Distinguished Professor, Electrical and Computer Engineering

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Electromagnetic wave propagation, inverse scattering tomography

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

A.J. Devaney, E.A. Marengo, F.K. Gruber

Time-reversal-based Imaging and Inverse Scattering of Multiply Scattering Point Targets, The Journal of the Acoustical Society of America, 118, 2005, 3129-3138

F.K. Gruber, E.A. Marengo, A.J. Devaney

Time-reversal Imaging with Multiple Signal Classification Considering Multiple Scattering Between the Targets, The Journal of the Acoustical Society of America, 115, 2004, 3042-3047

S.K. Lehman, A.J. Devaney

Transmission Mode Time-reversal Super-resolution Imaging, The Journal of the Acoustical Society of America, 113, 2003, 2742-2753

CHARLES DIMARZIO



Associate Professor, Electrical and Computer Engineering; affiliated faculty, Bioengineering, Mechanical and Industrial Engineering

PhD, Northeastern University, 1996 ece.neu.edu/people/dimarzio-charles

Optics, microscopy, coherent detection, interaction of light and sound waves,

hyperspectral imaging, diffusive optical tomography and ultrasound, landmine detection, magneto-optic sensors, and multi-model imaging. Activities include computer modeling, designing, building, and testing of hardware, and processing the resulting datae

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

- J.L. Hollmann, R. Horstmeyer, C. Yang, C.A DiMarzio Diffusion Model for Ultrasound-Modulated Light, Journal of Biomedical Optics, 19(3), 2014, 035005
- J.L. Hollmann, R.Horstmeyer, C. Yang, C.A. DiMarzio Analysis and Modeling of an Ultrasound-Modulated Guide Star to Increase the Depth of Focusing in a Turbid Medium, Journal of Biomedical Optics, 18(2), 2013, 025004
- Z. Lai, J. Kerimo, Y. Mega, C.A. DiMarzio Stepwise Multiphoton Activation Fluorescence Reveals a New Method of Melanin Detection, Journal of Biomedical Optics, 18(6), 2013, 061225

Z.R. Hoffman, C. DiMarzio Structured Illumination Microscopy Using Random Intensity Incoherent Reflectance, Journal of Biomedical Optics, 2013

SELECTED RESEARCH PROJECTS

Coded-illumination Fourier Ptychography for High-content Multimodal Imaging

Principal Investigator, National Science Foundation

JENNIFER DY



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Machine learning; data mining; statistical pattern recognition; computer vision and image processing

National Science Foundation CAREER Award

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

- S.M. Brown, A. Webb, R.S. Mangoubi, J.G. Dy A Sparse Combined Regression-classification Formulation for Learning a Physiological Alternative to Clinical Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder Scores, Twenty-ninth AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence, 2015
- J. Ross, P. Castaldi, M. Cho, J.G. Dy Dual Beta Process Priors for Latent Cluster Discovery in Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease, ACM SIGKDD Knowledge Discovery and Data Mining, 2014
- D. Niu, J.G. Dy, M.I. Jordan Iterative Discovery of Multiple Alternative Clustering Views, IEEE Transactions on Pattern Analysis and Machine Intelligence, 36(7), 2014, 1340-1353
- Y. Yan, R. Rosales, G. Fung, J.G. Dy Active Learning from Crowds, Proceedings of the 28th International Conference on Machine Learning (ICML), 2011, 1161-1168
- Y. Guan, J.G. Dy, M.I. Jordan

A Unified Probabilistic Model for Global and Local Unsupervised Feature Selection, Proceedings of the 28th International Conference on Machine Learning (ICML), 2011, 1073-1080

M. Masaeli, G. Fung, J.G. Dy From Transformation-Based Dimensionality Reduction to Feature Selection, Proceedings of the 27th International Conference on Machine Learning (ICML), 2010, 751-758

Y. Yan, R. Rosales, G. Fung, M. Schmidt, J.G. Dy, et al. Modeling Annotator Expertise: Learning when Everybody Knows a Bit of Something, Proceedings of the Thirteenth International Conference on Artificial Intelligence and Statistics (AISTATS), 9, 2010, 932-939

SELECTED RESEARCH PROJECTS

Automated Image Guidance for Diagnosing Skin Cancer With Confocal Microscopy

Principal Investigator, National Institutes of Health

Genetic Epidemiology of COPD

Co-Principal Investigator, National Institutes of Health

Spatio-temporal Extremes and Associations Marine Adaptation and Survivorship under Climate Change and Rising Ocean Temperatures

DENIZ ERDOGMUS



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Brain computer interfaces, cognitive and interactive systems, nonlinear and statistical signal processing, information theory,

machine learning

National Science Foundation CAREER Award; Søren Buus Outstanding Research Award, College of Engineering; College of Engineering Faculty Fellow

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

- B.S. Oken, U. Orhan, B. Roark, D. Erdogmus, A. Fowler,
 A. Mooney, B. Peters, M. Miller, M. Fried Oken
 BrainComputer Interface with Language ModelEEG Fusion for Lockedin Syndrome, Neurorehabilitation and Neural Repair, 28(4), 2014, 387-394
- A. Fowler, B. Roark, U. Orhan, D. Erdogmus, M. Fried-Oken Improved Inference and Autotyping in EEGbased BCI Typing Systems, ASSETS 2013, Bellevue, WA, Oct 2013
- H. Nezamfar, U. Orhan, S. Purwar, K. Hild, B. Oken, D. Erdogmus Decoding of Multichannel EEG Activity from the Visual Cortex in Response to Pseudorandom Binary Sequences of Visual Stimuli, International Journal of Imaging Systems and Technology, 21(2), 2011, 139-147

Y. Huang, D. Erdogmus, M. Pavel, S. Mathan, K.E. Hild II A Framework for Rapid Visual Image Search using Singletrial Brain Evoked Responses, Neurocomputing, 74, 2011, 2041-2051

D. Erdogmus

BCI: A Timely Opportunity for Projectbased Learning, National Academy of Engineering Frontiers in Engineering Education Workshop, Irvine, California, Dec 2010

SELECTED RESEARCH PROJECTS

CAREER: Signal Models, Channel Capacity, and Information Rate for Noninvasive Brain Interfaces

Principal Investigator, National Science Foundation

Automated Classification of Retinopathy of Prematurity using Machine Learning

Investigator, National Institutes of Health

Strengthening Human Adaptive Reasoning and Problem Solving (SHARP)

Principal Investigator, Intelligence Advanced Research Projects Activity

The Rehabilitation Engineering Center Research Center on Augmentative and Alternative Communication Principal Investigator, U.S. Department of Education

Principal Investigator, National Science Foundation

YUNSI FEI



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Computer architecture, embedded systems, hardware-oriented security, design automation, mobile computing, underwater

sensor networks

National Science Foundation CAREER Award; College of Engineering Faculty Fellow

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

B. Jiang, Y. Fei

Smart Home in Smart Microgrid: A Cost-effective Energy Ecosystem with Intelligent Hierarchical Agents, IEEE Transactions on Smart Grid, 6(1), 2015, 3-13

Y. Han, Y. Fei

TARS: A Traffic-adaptive Receiver-Synchronized MAC Protocol for Underwater Sensor Networks, International Symposium on Modeling, Analysis and Simulation of Computer and Telecommunication Systems (MASCOTS), 2015

P. Luo, L. Zhang, Y. Fei, A.A. Ding

Towards Secure Cryptographic Software Implementation Against Side-channel Power Analysis Attacks, International Conference on Application-specific Systems, Architectures, and Processors (ASAP), 2015

A.A. Ding, L. Zhang, Y. Fei, P. Luo

A Statistical Model for Multivariate DPA on Masked Devices, International Workshop on Cryptographic Hardware and Embedded Systems , 2014, 147-169

J.C. Martinez-Santos, Y. Fei

Leveraging Speculative Architectures for Run-time Program Validation, ACM Transactions on Embedded Computing Systems, 13(1), 2013, 498-505

SELECTED RESEARCH PROJECTS

MRI: Development of a Testbed for Side-Channel Analysis and Security Evaluation-TeSCASE

Principal Investigator, National Science Foundation

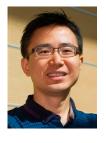
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Collaborative Research: Leveraging Intra-chip/Inter-chip Silicon Photonic Networks for Designing Next-generation Accelerators Principal Investigator, National Science Foundation

BIGDATA: IA: Exploring Analysis of Environment and Health Through Multiple Alternative Clustering

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Devices, circuits and sensing; antenna analysis, modeling, design, and optimization;

subsurface scattering analysis; computational methods of electromagnetics; novel radar system specification and design; explosives detection

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

- I.A. Osaretin, M.W. Shields, J.A. Martinez-Lorenzo, W.J. Blackwell A Compact 118-GHz Radiometer Antenna for the Micro-Sized Microwave Atmospheric Satellite, IEEE Antennas & Wireless Propagation Letters, 13, 2014, 1533-1536
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- J.A. Martinez-Lorenzo, F. Las-Heras, C. Rappaport, et al. Sparse Array Optimization using Simulated Annealing and Compressed Sensing for Near-Field Millimeter Wave Imaging, IEEE Transactions on Antennas & Propagation, 62(4), 2014, 1716-1722

SELECTED RESEARCH PROJECTS

Advanced Algorithm Development for Multiband GPR Radar Detection of Buried Mines

Co-Principal Investigator, US Army Night Vision and Electronic Sensors Directorate

Advanced Imaging and Detection of Security Threats using Compressive Sensing

Principal Investigator, Department of Homeland Security

Advanced Mechanical-Electromagnetic Applications for next Generation Environmental Monitoring

Principal Investigator, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

Multi-Modality Electromagnetic Detection and Localization of Implanted Explosives Using Ultra low Field MRI and Nuclear Quadrupole Resonance

Co-Principal Investigator, Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency

NICOL MCGRUER



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MEMS, NEMS, RF MEMS; nanotechnology; micro/nanofabrication; microsystems;

microrelay; nanoswitch; microspectrometer; microfluidics; organic FETs, organic solar cells

Søren Buus Outstanding Research Award, College of Engineering

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

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- Y.-C. Wu, N. McGruer, G.G. Adams

Adhesive Slip Process Between a Carbon Nanotube and a Substrate, Journal of Physics D: Applied Physics, 46, 2013, e175305

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- H. Pan, Y.-C. Wu, G.G. Adams, G.P. Miller, N. McGruer Interfacial Shear Stress Between Single-walled Carbon Nanotubes and Gold Surfaces With and without an Alkanethiol Monolayer, Journal of Colloid and Interface Science, 407, 2013, 133-139

C. Pramanik, Y. Li, A. Singh, W. Lin, J.L. Hodgson, J.B. Briggs, S. Ellis, P. Müller, N.E. McGruer, G.P. Miller

Water Soluble Pentacene, Journal of Materials Chemistry C, 1, 2013, 2193-2201

P. Ryan, Y.-C. Wu, S. Somu, G. Adams, N. McGruer Single Walled Carbon Nanotube Electromechanical Switching Behavior with Shoulder Slip, Journal of Micromechanics and Microengineering, 21, 2011, e045028

SELECTED RESEARCH PROJECTS

PLASMID (Plasmonic Microelectromechanical Infrared Digitizer), Zero-Power Sensor

Co-Principal Investigator, Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency

Zero Power Sensors (ZePS), RF Wake-up

Co-Principal Investigator, Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency

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Submillimeter devices and materials; optical and infrared materials and systems; magnetic materials; engineering education

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

S.W. McKnight, C. Zahopoulos

Scientific Foundations of Engineering, Cambridge University Press, 2015

S.W. McKnight, C. Zahopoulos

Scientific Foundations of Engineering: A New Curricular Model for Engineering Education, Proceeding of the 2105 ASEE Annual Conference and Exposition, Seattle, WA, 11316, 2015

S.W. McKnight, M.E. Pelletier, P. Leventman

A First-year 'Introduction to Engineering' Course at a Community College Using Hands-on MATLAB Experiment Control, Proceedings of the ASEE Annual Conference and Exposition, San Antonio, TX, 2012

C.N. Javdekar, S.W. McKnight, M.E. Pelletier High-tech Tools for Freshman Engineers, Proceedings of the 2011 ASEE Annual Conference and Exposition, Vancouver, 2011

S.W. McKnight, M.B. Silevitch, P. Cheney, J. Beaty A Graduate Curriculum for Engineering Leadership, Proc. Intern. Conf. on Engineering Leadership, Coimbra, Portugal, 2007

S.W. McKnight, E.B. Ekholm

Attenuation and Dispersion for High-Tc Superconducting Microstrip Lines, IEEE Transactions on Microwave Theory and Techniques, 38(4), 2002, 387-396

S.W. McKnight, G. Tadmor, M. Ruane, R. Rodriguez-Solis, G. Saulnier

Creating 'High-Tech Tools and Toys Lab' Leaning Environments at Four Universities, Proceeding of the Frontiers in Education Conference, Boston, MA, 2002, SE3-SE7

S.A. Oliver, P. Shi, W. Hu, H. How, S.W. McKnight, N.E. McGruer, P. Zavracky, C. Vittoria

Integrated Self-biased Hexaferrite Microstrip Circulators for Millimeter-wavelength Applications, IEEE Transactions on Microwave Theory and Techniques, 49(2), 2001, 385-387

M.B. Silevitch, S.W. McKnight, C. Rappaport

A Unified Discipline of Subsurface Sensing and Imaging Systems, Subsurface Sensing Technologies and Applications, 1, 2000, 1-21

WALEED MELEIS



Associate Professor, Electrical and Computer Engineering; affiliated faculty, Bioengineering

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Combinatorial optimization; algorithm design and analysis; scheduling; machine learning; parallel computing

Black Engineering Student Society Professor Appreciation Award; Invited to represent Northeastern at the National Academy of Engineering's Frontiers of Engineering Education Symposium; College of Engineering Outstanding Teacher Award; Martin W. Essigmann Outstanding Teaching Award, College of Engineering; Eta Kappa Nu Professor of the Year Award; Center for Innovative Course Design Teaching Award, EdTech

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

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C. Wu, W. Li, W. Meleis

Rough Sets-based Prototype Optimization in Kanervabased Function Approximation, IEEE/WIC/ACM International Conference on Intelligent Agent Technology, 2015

W. Meleis, et al.

Volunteer Science as a Platform for Studying Team Processes and Performance, Cooperative Team Networks Workshop at the International School and Conference on Network Science (NetSci), 2014

D. Brooks, S, Muftu, W. Meleis, R. Moore, K.-T. Wan, et al. Detecting Solid Masses in Phantom Breast Using Mechanical Indentation, Experimental Mechanics, 54,(6), 2014, 935-942

- C. Karbeyaz, B. Foucault Welles, J. Hoye, W. Meleis, D. Lazer, et al. Information Navigation and Hidden Profile Experiments on the Volunteer Science Web Laboratory, International Sunbelt Social Network Conference (Sunbelt XXXIV), Florida, US, 2014
- J. Tai, J. Zhang, J. Li, W. Meleis, N. Mi, ArA: Adaptive Resource Allocation for Clouds under Burst Workloads, Proceedings of the IEEE International Performance Computing and Communications Conference (IPCCC), Orlando, Florida, 2011, 1-8
- K. Chowdhury, R. Doost-Mohammady, W. Meleis, et al. Cooperation and Communication in Cognitive Radio Networks based on TV Spectrum Experiments, Proceedings of IEEE International Symposium on a World of Wireless Mobile and Multimedia Networks (WoWMoM), Lucca, Italy, 2011, 1-9

TOMMASO MELODIA



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Modeling, optimization, and experimental evaluation of wireless networked systems; networked implantable medical systems;

multimedia sensor networks; secure tactical cognitive radio networks; underwater networks; mobile cloud computing

National Science Foundation CAREER Award

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

N. Cen, Z. Guan, T. Melodia

Multi-view Wireless Video Streaming Based on Compressed Sensing: Architecture and Network Optimization, Proceedings of ACM International Symposium on Mobile Ad Hoc Networking and Computing, 2015, 1-10

G.E. Santagati, T. Melodia

U-Wear: Software-defined Ultrasonic Networking for Wearable Devices, Proceedings of ACM Conference on Mobile Systems, Services and Applications (MOBISYS), Florence, Italy, May 2015, 1-16

Z. Guan, G.E. Santagati, T. Melodia

Ultrasonic Intra-body Networking: Interference Modeling, Stochastic Channel Access and Rate Control, Proceedings of the IEEE Conference on Computer Communications, Hong Kong, 2015, 1-9

S. Pudlewski, N. Cen, Z. Guan, T. Melodia

Video Transmission Over Lossy Wireless Networks: A Cross-Layer Perspective, IEEE Journal of Selected Topics in Signal Processing, 9(1), 2015, 6-21

E. Demirors, G. Sklivanitis, G.E. Santagati, T. Melodia, et al. Design of a Software-defined Underwater Acoustic Modem with Real-time Physical Layer Adaptation Capabilities, Proceedings of the International Conference on Underwater Networks and Systems, 2014, 1-8

SELECTED RESEARCH PROJECTS

CAREER: Towards Ultrasonic Networking for Implantable Biomedical Devices

Principal Investigator, National Science Foundation

Networking Medical Implants Through Ultrasounds Principal Investigator, National Science Foundation Small:Towards Real-Time Video Streaming in the Internet of

Underwater Things

Principal Investigator, National Science Foundation

Toward Distributed Decision Making in Cognitive Radio Ad-hoc Networks Based on Bilevel Equilibrium Programming Principal Investigator, National Science Foundation

Toward Maximal Spectral-efficiency Networking

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NINGFANG MI



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Capacity planning; mapreduce/hadoop scheduling; cloud computing; resource management; performance evaluation;

workload characterization; simulation; virtualization

National Science Foundation CAREER Award; IBM Faculty Award; Air Force Office of Scientific Research Young Investigator Award

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

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- Y. Yao, J. Tai, B. Sheng, N. Mi LsPS: A Job Size-based Scheduler for Efficient Assignments in Hadoop, IEEE Transactions on Cloud Computing (TCC), 99, 2014, 1-14

SELECTED RESEARCH PROJECTS

AFOSR YIP: Creating an Integrated Management Layer to Administer Heterogeneous Resources in Dynamic Workflow Clusters

Principal Investigator, Air Force Office of Scientific Research CAREER: Capacity Planning Methodologies for Large Clusters with Heterogeneous Architectures and Diverse Applications Principal Investigator, National Science Foundation

HOSSEIN MOSALLAEI



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Electromagnetics and optics, quantum systems, nanoscale materials and

metamaterials, nanoantennas, THz-IR Devices, multiscale computation and mathematical-numerical models

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

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- B. Memarzadeh, H. Mosallaei Multimaterial Loops as the Building Block for a Functional Metasurface, Journal of the Optical Society of America B, 30(7), 2013, 1827-1834
- E. Chernobrovkina, S.K. Saikin, S. Valleau, H. Mosallaei, et al. Parametric Hierarchical Matrix Approach for the Wideband Optical Response of Large-scale Molecular Aggregates, Journal of Applied Physics, 114, 2013, e164315
- J. Cheng, W.L. Wang, H. Mosallaei, E. Kaxiras Surface Plasmon Engineering in Graphene Functionalized with Organic Molecules: A multi-scale Theoretical Investigation, Nano Letters, 14(1), 2013, 50-56

SELECTED RESEARCH PROJECTS

Computationally-designed Materials for Wave Synthesis Principal Investigator, Office of Naval Research

Designer Solids Nanoantennas and Material Principal Investigator, Army Research Laboratory Large-area, 3D Optical Metaminerals with Tunability and Low Loss

Co-Principal Investigator, Office of Naval Research

Multiscale Mathematical Modeling and Design Realization of Novel 2D Functional Materials

Co-Principal Investigator, Office of Naval Research

Nanoantennas for Engineering Waves on the Surface Principal Investigator, Air Force Office of Scientific Research

MARK NIEDRE



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Biomedical optics and non-invasive imaging, rare cell detection and tracking in the body, ultrafast time-domain diffuse optical imaging,

image reconstruction and biomedical signal processing

College of Engineering Faculty Fellow; Massachusetts Life Sciences Center New Investigator Award; Søren Buus Outstanding Research Award, College of Engineering

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

S. Markovic, S. Li, M. Niedre

Performance of Computer Vision In Vivo Flow Cytometry with Low Fluorescence Contrast, Journal of Biomedical Optics, 20(3), 2015, 35005

V. Pera, D.H. Brooks, M. Niedre

On the use of Cramer-Rao Bounds in diffuse optical Tomography, Journal of Biomedical Optics, 19(2), 2014, 025002

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N. Pestana, L. Mortensen, J. Runnels, M. Niedre, et al. An Improved Prototype Diffuse Fluorescence Flow Cytometer for High Sensitivity Detection of Rare Circulating Cells In Vivo, Journal of Biomedical Optics, 18(7), 2013, 77002

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- N. Valim, J. Brock, M. Leeser, M. Niedre

The Effect of Temporal Impulse Response on Experimental Reduction of Photon Scatter in Time-resolved Diffuse Optical Tomography, Physics in Medicine and Biology, 58(2), 2013, 335-349

SELECTED RESEARCH PROJECTS

High Resolution Multiplexed Fluorescence Tomography Principal Investigator, National Institutes of Health

Ultra-rare Cell In Vivo Flow Cytometry Principal Investigator, National Institutes of Health

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Design of analog, radio frequency, and mixedsignal integrated circuits; built-in test and calibration techniques for systems-on-a-chip;

on-chip temperature sensors for thermal monitoring and built-in testing

National Science Foundation CAREER Award; Martin Essigman Outstanding Teaching Award, College of Engineering

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

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Test Signal Generation for the Calibration of Analog Front-end Circuits in Biopotential Measurement Applications, Proceedings of IEEE 57th International Midwest Symposium on Circuits and Systems, 2014, 949-952

C.-H. Chang, M. Onabajo

IIP3 Enhancement of Subthreshold Active Mixers, IEEE Transactions on Circuits and Systems II: Express Briefs, 60(11), 2013, 731-735

M. Onabajo, J. Silva-Martinez Analog Circuit Design for Process Variation-Resilient Systemson-a-Chip, New York, NY, Springer, 2012

H. Chauhan, Y. Choi, M. Onabajo, I. Jung, Y.-B. Kim Accurate and Efficient On-chip Spectral Analysis for Built-in Testing and Calibration Approaches, IEEE Transactions on Very Large Scale Integration (VLSI) Systems, 22(3), 2014, 497-506

C.-J. Park, M. Onabajo, J. Silva-Martinez

External Capacitor-less Low Drop-out Regulator with 25dB Superior Power Supply Rejection in the 0.4-4MHz Range, IEEE Journal of Solid-State Circuits, 27(2), 2014, 486-501

SELECTED RESEARCH PROJECTS

CAREER: Low-Power Transceiver Design Methods for Wireless Medical Monitoring

Principal Investigator, National Science Foundation

Integrated Self-calibrated Analog Front-end for Biopotential and Bioimpedance Measurements

Principal Investigator, National Science Foundation

RF Power Amplifier Linearization with Digital Predistortion Principal Investigator, Analog Devices, Incorporated

SARAH OSTADABBAS



ADVANCE Faculty Fellow, 2015/16; Assistant Professor, 2016, Electrical and Computer Engineering

PhD, University of Texas at Dallas, 2013

Computer-aided decision making, humanmachine interface, medical sensing and diagnostic systems, telemedicine, embedded

software and hardware co-design

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

- S. Ostadabbas, M. Nourani, R. Yousefi, M. Pompeo A Knowledge-based Modeling for Plantar Pressure Image Reconstruction, IEEE Transactions on Biomedical Engineering, 61(10), 2014, 2538-2549
- R. Yousefi, M. Nourani, S. Ostadabbas, I, Panahi A Motion-tolerant Adaptive Algorithm for Wearable Photoplethysmographic Biosensors, IEEE Transactions on Information Technology in BioMedicine, 18(2), 2014, 670-681
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- H. Ghasemezadeh, S. Ostadabbas, E. Guenterberg, et al. Wireless Medical Embedded Systems: A Review of Signal Processing Techniques for Classification, IEEE Sensors Journal, 13(2), 2013, 423-437 (Ranked Top 20 Accessed Articles in First Half of 2013)
- S. Ostadabbas, R. Yousefi, M. Nourani, M. Faezipour, et al. A Resource-Efficient Planning for Pressure Ulcer Prevention, IEEE Transactions on Information Technology in BioMedicine (TITB), 16(6), 2012, 1265-1273

TASKIN PADIR



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Modeling and control of robot systems; human-in-the-loop robot control; intelligent vehicles; and realization of medical cyber-

physical systems

Kalenian Award for Entrepreneurial Spirit, HEART: Humans Empowered with Assistive Robot Technologies; Romeo L. Moruzzi Young Faculty Award for Innovation in Undergraduate Education

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

- M. DeDonato, V. Dimitrov, F. Polido, T. Padir, et. al. Human-in-the-loop Control of a Humanoid Robot for Disaster Response: A Report from the DARPA Robotics Challenge Trials, Journal of Field Robotics, Special Issue on the DARPA Robotics Challenge Trials, 32(2), 2015, 275-292
- D. Sinyukov, R. Desmond, M. Dickerman, T. Padir Multi-modal Control Framework for a Semi-autonomous Wheelchair Using Modular Sensor Designs, Journal of Intelligent Service Robotics, 7(3), 2014, 145-155
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SELECTED RESEARCH PROJECTS

Enhancing Disabilities Engineering Research and Education Through Robotics Capstone Projects

Principal Investigator, National Science Foundation

Holistic Design Methodology for Automated Implementation of Human-in-the-loop Cyber-physical Systems

Co-Principal Investigator, National Science Foundation

Nested Control of Assistive Robots Through Human Intent Inference

Co-Principal Investigator, National Science Foundation

Realization of a Medical Cyber-physical System to Enhance Safety of Ebola Workers

Principal Investigator, National Science Foundation

Systems, Software, and Simulation: Meeting the DARPA Robotics Challenge

Co-Principal Investigator, Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency

CAREY RAPPAPORT



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Bioelectromagnetics, microwave tissue imaging, electromagnetic breast cancer detection and treatment, cardiac ablation therapy, microwave assisted balloon angioplasty, catheter-based sensing. Antennas, electromagnetic computation, subsurface sensing and imaging, explosives detection, security system conceptualization and design

Fellow, Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers; Søren Buus Outstanding Research Award, College of Engineering

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

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Accurate Profile Reconstruction Using An Improved SAR Based Technique, Proceedings of the IEEE International Antennas and Propagation Symposium (IAPS), 2013, 818-819

- B. Gonzalez-Valdes, J.A. Martinez-Lorenzo, C. Rappaport Dual Band SAR Processing for Low Dielectric Contrast Buried IED Detection, Proceedings of the IEEE IAPS, 2013, 1080-1081
- C. Rappaport, B. Gonzalez-Valdes, G. Allan, et al. Optimizing Element Positioning in Sparse Arrays for Nearfield Mm-Wave Imaging, Proceedings of the IEEE Phased Array Conference, 13, 2013, 333-335
- Y. Álvarez, F. Las-Heras, B. Gonzalez-Valdes, J.A. Martínez-Lorenzo, C. Rappaport

Material Characterization Using A Millimeter Wave Portal-Based Imaging System for Security Screening, Proceedings of the IEEE Homeland Security Technology Conference, 2013, 511-516

SELECTED RESEARCH PROJECTS

Awareness and Localization of Explosive-Related Threats (ALERT)

Co-Principal Investigator, Department of Homeland Security

Concept Development And Modeling For Communicating With Oil Drilling Heads Using Low Frequency Electromagnetic Waves Principal Investigator, Draper Laboratory Incorporated

Multi-Modality Electromagnetic Detection and Localization of Implanted Explosives Using Ultra Low Field MRI and Nuclear Quadrupole Resonance

Principal Investigator, Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency

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Remote sensing; underwater acoustics; acoustical oceanography; bioacoustics;

ultrasound imaging; nonlinear scattering; wave propagation in random media; signal, image and array processing; statistical inference theory

Presidential Early Career Award for Scientists and Engineers; Office of Naval Research Young Investigator Award

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

Z. Gong, A.D. Jain, D. Tran, P. Ratilal, et al.

Ecosystem Scale Acoustic Sensing Reveals Humpback Whale Behavior Synchronous with Herring Spawning Processes and Re-evaluation Finds No Effect of Sonar on Humpback Song Occurrence in the Gulf of Maine in Fall 2006, PLoS ONE, 9(10), 2014, e104733

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Comparing Passive Source Localization and Tracking Approaches With a Towed Horizontal Receiver Array in an Ocean Waveguide, The Journal of the Acoustical Society of America, 134, 2013, 3705-3720

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Temporal Coherence of the Acoustic Field Forward Propagated Through a Continental Shelf with Random Internal Waves, The Journal of the Acoustical Society of America, 134, 2013, 3476-3485

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Probability Distribution for Energy of Saturated Broadband Ocean Acoustic Transmission: Results from Gulf of Maine 2006 Experiment, Journal of the Acoustical Society of America, 132, 2012, 3659-2672

M. Andrews, Z. Gong, P. Ratilal

Effects of Multiple Scattering, Attenuation and Dispersion in Waveguide Sensing of Fish, Journal of the Acoustical Society of America, 130, 2011, 1253-1271

MATTEO RINALDI



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Understanding and exploiting the fundamental properties of micro/ nanomechanical structures and advanced

nanomaterials to engineer new classes of micro and nanoelectromechanical systems (M/NEMS) with unique and enabling features applied to the areas of chemical, physical and biological sensing and low power reconfigurable radio communication systems

National Science Foundation CAREER Award; Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency Young Faculty Award

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

- Z. Qian, F. Liu, Y. Hui, S. Kar and M. Rinaldi Graphene as a Massless Electrode for Ultra-high-frequency Piezoelectric Nano Electro Mechanical Systems, Nano Letters, 15(7), 2015, 4599-4604
- Y. Hui, T. Nan, N.X. Sun, M. Rinaldi

High Resolution Magnetometer based on a High Frequency Magnetoelectric MEMS-CMOS Oscillator, IEEE/ASME Journal of Microelectromechanical Systems, 24(1), 2015, 134-143

G. Hummel and M. Rinaldi

Switchable 2-Port Aluminum Nitride MEMS Resonator Using Monolithically Integrated 3.6THz Cut-Off Frequency Phase-Change Switches, Proceedings of the 2015 Joint Conference of the IEEE International Frequency Control Symposium & European Frequency and Time Forum, Denver, 2015, 706-708

Y. Hui, Z. Qian, G. Hummel and M. Rinaldi

Pico-watts Range Uncooled Infrared Detector Based on a Freestanding Piezoelectric Resonant Microplate with Nanoscale Metal Anchors, Proceedings of the 2014 Solid-state Sensors, Actuators and Microsystems Workshop, Hilton Head Island, 2014, 387-390

SELECTED RESEARCH PROJECTS

Plasmonic Microelectromechanical Infrared Digitizer (PLASMID) Principal Investigator, DARPA MTO N-Zero program

Zero Power Sensors (ZePS) Principal Investigator, DARPA MTO N-Zero program

Nano Electro Mechanical Resonant Sensing Platform for Chip Scale, High Resolution and Ultra-fast Terahertz Spectroscopy and Imaging Principal Investigator, National Science Foundation

Intrinsically Switchable and Programmable MEMS Filter Array Principal Investigator, Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency

Nanofabricated Neural Probes with Ultra-sensitive Integrated Compact RF NEMS Magnetoelectric Sensors for Electro-Magneto-Brain Activity Mapping

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Trustworthy computing architectures; web security; statistical machine learning for

anomaly detection; malware analysis using adversarial program analysis; reverse engineering; intrusion detection

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

- A. Ozcan, C. Mulliner, W. Robertson, E. Kirda, et al. BabelCrypt: The Universal Encryption Layer for Mobile Messaging Applications, Proceedings of the International Conference on Financial Cryptography and Data Security (FC), Isla Verde, PR, 2015, 1-15
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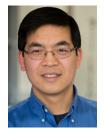
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Power Efficient Voltage Tunable Spin Hall Nano Oscillators with Multiferroic Heterostructures

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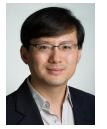
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DATABASE-ASSISTED END-TO-END THEORETICAL AND SIMULATION FRAMEWORK FOR COGNITIVE RADIO NETWORKS

This thesis provides the following contributions: (a) An end-toend transport layer called TFRC-CR is devised that uses equation based transmission rate control, and relies on database updates rather than intermediate node information. (b) A framework for vehicular cognitive radio is created that uses cross-correlation between 2G signals obtained from an Android device and signals from the TV white space to reduce the number of database queries. Moreover, this framework also involves a practical demonstration of interference alignment to optimally use the channel during the querying process. (c) An extension for the network simulator-3 that provides cognitive abilities, such as spectrum sensing, primary user detection, and spectrum handoff to the research community which allows them to simulate these complex radios in a virtual environment.

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AN EXPERIMENTAL INVESTIGATION OF HOT SWITCHING CONTACT DAMAGE IN RF MEMS SWITCHES

This dissertation presents work focused on contact damage in Ruthenium-on-Ruthenium microcontacts has been investigated under hot switching conditions. Using an AFM based test setup, developed at Northeastern University for the purpose of contact testing, a large number of experiments were performed to observe and understand the mechanisms that lead to microcontact damage and ultimately its failure. The structure used was a clamped-clamped beam structure with a contact bump at its center. A flat topped mating pillar formed the other end of the contact and this pillar was mounted on a piezoactuator whose expansion and contraction, leading to contacts closing and opening, replicated switching cycles.

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NONLINEAR SYSTEM MODELING AND IDENTIFICATION OF LOUDSPEAKERS

This dissertation considers modeling and identification of nonlinear systems pertinent to loudspeakers with nonlinear distortion effects. It is well known that when loudspeakers are driven at high playback levels the nonlinear characteristics of these speakers become a major source of sound degradations. Nonlinear distortion not only diminishes listening pleasure but more importantly impairs speech intelligibility. Consequently it is essential to find a good model that matches to the loudspeaker response for the purpose of predicting and preventing the nonlinear distortion. This becomes particularly important for the purpose of improving sound quality of mobile phones. This report analyzes the loudspeaker operation and provides nonlinear modeling techniques that can reliably be used for its identification process. Frequency domain and state-space modeling are considered and emphasis is given towards model that mix polynomial nonlinear state-space models and fractional order state-space models.

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OPPORTUNISTIC WIRELESS SPECTRUM ACCESS: PROTOCOLS, ANALYSIS AND APPLICATIONS

This thesis proposes methods for achieving efficient spectrum access through devising protocols for identifying and sharing unused spectrum, analyzing the theoretical bounds of these protocols, and implementing these solutions in practical medical and vehicular environments.

A significant portion of the thesis is focused on opportunistic spectrum access within licensed frequency bands, where cognitive radios transmit on frequencies without interfering with the primary users in them. First, a cooperative sensing method based on reinforcement learning technique is designed to efficiently detect spectrum opportunities. After identifying portions of the available spectrum, a channel allocation technique is devised for the cognitive radios with quality of service provisioning.

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PLASMONICS AND METASURFACES FOR INFRARED WAVE ENGINEERING

This dissertation investigates several novel passive components composed of plasmonic materials at infrared regime. As an example for a passive plasmonic component, we present a bandpass filter integrated into a metal-insulator-metal (MIM) waveguide at mid-infrared range. Design techniques already developed in microwave and circuit theory used to realize the filter. The insulator is air and metal parts are silver where their loss considered in our simulations. The filter passband is from 27 THz to 33 THz (9.1 μ m to 11.1 μ m) and the simulated insertion loss is 1.7 dB. The filter length is 16.9 μ m, almost 1.7 times center wavelength (10 μ m).

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ELECTRODE ARCHITECTURES FOR EFFICIENT IONIC AND ELECTRONIC TRANSPORT PATHWAYS IN HIGH-POWER LITHIUM ION BATTERIES

The first aim of this dissertation was to develop electrode architectures that enhance electronic and ionic transport pathways in large and small area lithium ion electrodes. These architectures will utilize the unique electronic and mechanical properties of carbon nanotubes to create robust electrode scaffolding that improves electrochemical charge transfer. Using extensive physical and electrochemical characterization, the second aim is to investigate the effect of electrode parameters on electrochemical performance and evaluate the performance against standard commercial electrodes. These parameters include surface morphology, electrode composition, electrode density, and operating temperature. Finally, the third aim is to investigate commercial viability of the electrode architecture. This will be accomplished by developing pouch cell prototypes using a high-rate and low cost scale-up process. Through this work, we aim to realize a commercially viable high-power electrode technology.

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ELECTRIC FIELD-DRIVEN TUNING OF MULTIFERROIC TRANSDUCERS AND ANTENNAS THROUGH CHANGES IN FIELD STRENGTH AND MATERIAL MORPHOLOGY

This dissertation demonstrates experimentally and theoretically that tuning of magnetic properties of the heterostructures can be controlled through applied electric field. Significant CME effect is found in all three heterostructures: FeCoV/PZN-PT (31 Oe cm kV-1), Metglas/PMN-PT (23 Oe cm kV-1), and FeGa/PMN-PT (12.5 Oe cm kV-1). The tunabilities of remanence (Mr), coercivity (Hc), and squareness (SQ = Mr / Ms) are demonstrated. A sensitive dependence of CME effect on the magnitude of the applied electric field is discovered in the time and frequency domains, especially near the electric coercive field, and an alternative path to magnetization reversal is identified.

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AUTOMATIC RECOGNITION OF PRIMATE BEHAVIORS AND SOCIAL INTERACTIONS FROM VIDEOS

In this dissertation, we describe a framework that adopts current practices from computer vision and machine learning in creating the preliminary steps towards solving the problem of automatically recognizing behaviors of primates in a social group (in this case, a pen hosting a group of 3 or more primates). Several challenges need to be overcome in order to achieve primate activity recognition from videos, some of which are: the massive size of continuous video recordings from multiple cameras over days and weeks, illumination variations throughout the day, background changes due to moving objects in the pen and humans passing by (e.g. for feeding or observing), highly variable shapes and poses of primates, and the low visibility of color-coded primate collars causing difficulty in identifying the primates.

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BAYESIAN NONPARAMETRICS AND MARKED POISSON PROCESSES

This dissertation explores the use of marked Poisson point processes within a Bayesian nonparametric framework. The Poisson point process underlies a wide range of combinatorial stochastic processes and as such has been a key object driving research in Bayesian nonparametrics. We explore Poisson point processes in combination with probabilistic shape and appearance priors for detection/segmentation of objects/patterns in 1D, 2D and 3D frameworks. This probabilistic formulation encompasses uncertainty in number, location, shape, and appearance of the feature of interest, be it in images or timeseries data.

The generative process of the model can be explained as sampling a random number of objects at random locations from a Poisson process. The shape of each object is sampled from a shape model. The appearance inside and outside the shape boundary is sampled from an appearance model with foreground and background parameters respectively.

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HIGHLY SENSITIVE TUBE-TOPOLOGY MAGNETOELECTRIC MAGNETIC SENSORS

This dissertation focuses on development and characterization of tube-topology ME composites as magnetic field sensors. The novel topology is most notable for demonstrating high zero-external-bias sensitivity, low noise floor, low-frequency bandwidth, and self-powered, stable room temperature operation. Numerous characterization studies are included in this work where several devices are analyzed as a function of test-field, DC-bias field, geometry, material choice, and more. The overall conclusions drawn upon these results indicate strongly that the tube-topology ME magnetic field sensor holds promise to compete with existing hall-effect and flux-gate magnetometers. ME composites are at the tipping point of commercialization for use in magnetometry applications and are emerging as a valuable technology for use in numerous creative ways.

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INCORPORATION OF PMUS IN POWER SYSTEM STATE ESTIMATION

The dissertation describes new observability and criticality analysis methods for power systems measured by both SCADA and PMU measurements. Prior to state estimation observability analysis needs to be performed to check if the system is observable with respect to the given measurement set, i.e. if the state estimation problem has a unique solution. Moreover, it is important to identify the critical measurements, whose removal causes unobservability. It should be noted that conventional observability and criticality analysis methods cannot be applied if there are PMUs in the system. The dissertation then introduces an observability restoration method for unobservable power systems by optimally placing pseudo-measurements, such that they all will be strictly critical.

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AUTONOMOUS ROBOTIC DETECTION OF ANTI-PERSONNEL LANDMINES USING GROUND-PENETRATING RADAR AND ON-CONTACT ANTENNAS

This dissertation proposes the use of ground-contact antennas, which greatly improve signal penetration and are less affected by ground clutter, thereby simplifying data analysis. Achieving contact between the surface and the antennas is done by integrating the antennas onto the feet of the Walking Tri-Sphere, a non-articulated walking robotic platform designed by Square One Systems Design (Jackson, WY, USA). Rather than imaging the subsurface, localization of potential targets is achieved using a robust geometric analysis, minimizing the required number of GPR scans. Overall, by using fewer scans and simpler data processing techniques, this method is capable of increasing the surveying speed of traditional GPR methods.

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INCREASED ENERGY DELIVERY FOR PARALLEL BATTERY PACKS WITH NO REGULATED BUS

In this dissertation, a new approach to paralleling different battery types is presented. A method for controlling charging/ discharging of different battery packs by using low-cost bidirectional switches instead of DC-DC converters is proposed. The proposed system architecture, algorithms, and control techniques allow batteries with different chemistry, voltage, and SOC to be properly charged and discharged in parallel without causing safety problems. The physical design and cost for the energy management system is substantially reduced. Additionally, specific types of failures in the maximum power point tracking (MPPT) in a photovoltaic (PV) system when tracking only the load current of a DC-DC converter are analyzed. The periodic nonlinear load current will lead MPPT realized by the conventional perturb and observe (P&O) algorithm to be problematic. A modified MPPT algorithm is proposed and it still only requires typically measured signals, yet is suitable for both linear and periodic nonlinear loads.

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CRYSTAL GROWTH OF HEXAFERRITE ARCHITECTURE FOR MAGNETOELECTRICALLY TUNABLE MICROWAVE SEMICONDUCTOR INTEGRATED DEVICES

A nanoscale-driven crystal growth of magnetic hexaferrites was successfully demonstrated at low growth temperatures (25-40% lower than the temperatures required often for crystal growth). This outcome exhibits thermodynamic processes of crystal growth, allowing ease in fabrication of advanced multifunctional materials. Most importantly, the crystal growth technique is considered theoretically and experimentally to be universal and suitable for the growth of a wide range of diverse crystals. In the present experiment, the conical spin structure of Co.Y ferrite crystals were a found to give rise to an intrinsic magnetoelectric effect. Our experiment reveals a remarkable increase in the conical phase transition temperature by ~150 K for Co, Y ferrite, compared to 5-10 K of Zn Y ferrites recently reported. The high guality Co. Y ferrite crystals, having low microwave loss and magnetoelectricity, were successfully grown on wide bandgap semiconductor GaN.

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ALUMINUM NITRIDE PIEZOELECTRIC MICROELECTROMECHANICAL RESONANT PHYSICAL SENSORS

In this dissertation, a stepping stone towards the development of compact, power efficient and high resolution physical sensors: infrared (IR) detectors and magnetic field sensors, is set by taking the unique advantage of the AIN MEMS/NEMS resonant technology, which is the combination of extremely high sensitivity to external perturbations (due to their very reduced dimensions) and ultra-low noise performance (due to the intrinsically high quality factor, Q, of such resonant devices). For the first time, a spectrally selective uncooled NEMS resonant IR detector based on a plasmonic piezoelectric material is demonstrated, showing high resolution (noise equivalent power of 2.1 nW/Hz1/2) and ultra-fast response (thermal time constant of 440 µs), marking a milestone towards the implementation of a new class of high performance, miniaturized and low power IR spectroscopy and multi-spectral imaging systems.

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SELF-CALIBRATION APPROACH FOR MIXED SIGNAL CIRCUITS IN SYSTEMS-ON-CHIP

In this dissertation, several novel self-calibration design techniques in mixed-signal mode circuits are proposed for an analog to digital converter (ADC) to reduce mismatch error and improve performance. These are essential components in SOCs and the proposed self-calibration approach also compensates the process variations.

The proposed novel self-calibration approach targets the successive approximation (SA) ADC. First of all, the offset error of the comparator in the SA-ADC is reduced using the proposed approach by enabling the capacitor array in the input nodes for better matching. In addition, the auxiliary capacitors for each capacitor of DAC in the SA-ADC are controlled by using synthesized digital controller to minimize the mismatch error of the DAC. Since the proposed technique is applied during foreground operation, the power overhead in SA-ADC case is minimal because the calibration circuit is deactivated during normal operation time.

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ROBUST AND SYSTEMWIDE FAULT LOCATION IN LARGE-SCALE POWER NETWORKS VIA OPTIMAL DEPLOYMENT OF SYNCHRONIZED MEASUREMENTS

This dissertation addresses a novel method for fault location in power systems, while providing a new vision for the deployment of wide-area measurement systems and the application of robust estimation techniques in an effort to achieve systemwide, costeffective, and resilient fault-location capability in large-scale power systems.

The first part of this dissertation introduces a novel methodology for synchronized-measurement-based fault location in largescale power grids. The method is built on the notion of traveling waves that propagate throughout the power network. The approach is based upon capturing the arrival times of the faultinitiated traveling waves using a few synchronized sensors and triangulating the location of the fault with the aid of the recorded arrival times of these waves. In order to pinpoint (locate) the faults, these sparsely distributed sensors are exploited to capture point-on-wave samples of transient voltages after the occurrence of a fault.

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VIDEO EVENT RECOGNITION AND PREDICTION BASED ON TEMPORAL STRUCTURE ANALYSIS

In this thesis, several studies of high-level video content understanding were presented, which address these difficulties and narrow the semantic gap effectively. In particular, we have focused on two types of videos, namely human activity video and unconstrained consumer video. The proposed temporal structure analysis frameworks significantly extend the domains of video that can be understood by machine vision systems.

In aspect of human activity recognition, we notice that in case a time-critical decision is needed, there is no work that utilizes the temporal structure of videos for early prediction of ongoing human activity. Thus we present a general activity prediction framework in which human activities can be characterized by a complex temporal composition of constituent simple actions and interacting objects. Then we extend our work to the 3D cases of action prediction motivated by recent advent of the cost-effective sensors, such as depth camera Kinect.

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CLASSIFICATION OF MALWARE PERSISTENCE MECHANISMS USING LOW-ARTIFACT DISK INSTRUMENTATION

In this thesis, we present DIONE, a flexible rule-based disk I/O monitoring and analysis infrastructure. DIONE interposes between a system-under-analysis and its hard disk, intercepting disk accesses and reconstructing high-level file system and registry changes as they occur. We evaluate the accuracy and performance of DIONE, and show that it can achieve 100% accuracy in reconstructing file system operations, with a performance penalty less than 2% in many cases.

Given the trustworthy behavioral traces obtained by DIONE, we convert file system-level events to high-level capabilities. For this, we use model checking, a formal verification approach that compares a model extracted from a behavioral trace to a given specification.

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PLASMONIC METASURFACES WITH TAILORED LINEAR AND NONLINEAR BUILDING BLOCKS

In the first chapter there is brief review of metamaterials and plasmonic metasurfaces. In the second chapter we present the concept of transmit array concentrator implemented in optics. Planar concentric loop antennas are used as the elements for a 21×21 array to concentrate the incident plane wave at a desired distance. Finite difference time domain is used to obtain the performance of the periodic array of each element on the transmit array and then free space dyadic Green's function is employed to find the field distribution at each point, to show the focusing behavior of the metasurface. The third chapter investigates the concept of multi-layered tripod frequency selective surfaces in infrared. A full wave analysis based on finite difference time domain technique is applied to comprehensively characterize the structure and obtain the performance for both normal and oblique waves (for TE and TM polarizations).

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ARCHITECTURAL SUPPORT FOR IRREGULAR PROGRAMS AND PERFORMANCE MONITORING FOR HETEROGENEOUS SYSTEMS

This thesis proposes architectural enhancements to the profiling and workgroup scheduling subsystems of heterogeneous devices. The profiling and workgroup scheduling subsystems have been augmented with a resource known as the Offload Control Unit. The OCU enables performance monitoring of compute units with throughput counters. Throughput counters provide utilization information of compute units and the performance knowledge generated is utilized to improve execution performance for priority and data-driven workloads. Throughput counters and the software profiling subsystems result in a runtime that allows performance monitoring, profiling and specializations of applications built using heterogeneous computational pipelines. The scheduling capabilities proposed enable utilization of heterogeneous systems for workloads with QOS and non-homogeneous workgroup distributions.

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MAGNETOELECTRIC HEXAFERRITE THIN FILMS GROWTH FOR NEXT GENERATION DEVICE APPLICATIONS

In this dissertation, alternating target laser ablation deposition (ATLAD) is used for in-situ deposition of M-type and Y-type hexaferrites. There have been considerable reports on epitaxial growth of M-type hexaferrite but not on Y-types, since it is very difficult and challenging to produce them. One of the main problems is the need of substrate temperatures in excess of 1150°C which requires additional expensive high temperature equipment. Our developed process can be done at lower temperatures by PLD equipment and can form unique crystal structures which cannot be achieved by other techniques.

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QUANTIFICATION OF CHEMICAL GASEOUS PLUMES ON HYPERSPECTRAL IMAGERY

In this dissertation, we evaluate and investigate the advantages and limitations of a number of quantification algorithms that span a variety of assumptions. With these in-depth insights we gain, a new quantification algorithm is proposed for single gas guantification which is superior to all state-of-the-art algorithms in almost every aspects including applicability, accuracy, and efficiency. The new method, called selectedband algorithm, achieves its superior performance through an accurate estimation of the unobservable off-plume radiance. The reason why off-plume radiance is recoverable relies on a common observation that most chemical gases only exhibit strong absorptive behavior in certain spectral bands. Those spectral bands where the gas absorption is almost zero or small are ideal to carry out background estimation. In this thesis, the new selected-band algorithm is first derived from its favorable narrow-band sharp-featured gas and then extended to an iterative algorithm that suits all kinds of gases. The performance improvement is verified by simulated data for a variety of experimental settings.

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RSVP KEYBOARD: AN EEG BASED BCI TYPING SYSTEM WITH CONTEXT INFORMATION FUSION

In this dissertation RSVP aims to be accessible to the population with limited eye gaze control by presenting sequences of symbols on a screen over time at a fixed focal area and in rapid succession. As a response to the infrequent novel target stimulus (oddball paradigm), brain generates P300, an event related potential which is a positive deflection in the scalp voltage mainly in the centro-parietal areas with an average latency just over 300 ms. This natural novelty response allows us to design interfaces by detecting the intent using EEG.

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EFFICIENT ESTIMATION AND TRACKING OF RESPONSE STATISTICS FOR (RANDOMLY) TIME-VARIANT SYSTEMS

In this dissertation we develop efficient time -recursive alternatives to the existing non-recursive procedure for estimating the system's response autocorrelation. In addition, we exploit the structure and sparsity of the covariance matrix associated with our WIP interpretation to develop lag-recursive solutions that achieve a further reduction of the overall computational cost. In particular, we explore the possibility of using the maximum entropy method (MEM) to obtain a computationally efficient direct estimate of the system's (multichannel) Doppler-spread spectrum.

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STATISTICAL CHARACTERIZATION OF A CLASS OF UNDERWATER ACOUSTIC COMMUNICATION CHANNELS

In this dissertation, we offer a statistical channel model, which incorporates physical laws of acoustic propagation (frequencydependent attenuation, bottom-surface reflections) as well as the effects of inevitable random local displacements.

We focus on random displacements on two scales: small-scale effects, that involve distances on the order of a few wavelengths, and large-scale effects, that involve many wavelengths. Small-scale effects include scattering and motion-induced Doppler shifting, and are responsible for fast variations of the instantaneous channel response; while large-scale effects describe the location uncertainty and changing environmental conditions, and affect the locally-averaged received power.

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ORGANIC PHOTOVOLTAICS USING NOVEL PENTACENE DERIVATIVES

In this thesis, present the OPV cell designs (bilayer or planar and bulk heterojunction type), fabrication steps, electrical results and discuss them to correlate the experimental findings with simulation data.

One of the most promising organic semiconductors is pentacene, which acts mainly as a donor molecule. It is observed that PCE does not improve above this optimum mobility value of about 10-4 cm2/V-s. Donor and acceptor thicknesses are also optimized using the simulation program to get the best efficiency. We also investigate the effect of exciton diffusion length of organic semiconductor on power conversion efficiency, and simulations suggest that PCE almost saturates above certain value of exciton diffusion length.

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RESOURCE MANAGEMENT IN ENTERPRISE CLUSTER AND STORAGE SYSTEMS

In this thesis, we present our works on resource management in large scale systems, especially for enterprise cluster and storage systems. Large-scale cluster systems have become quite popular among a community of users by offering a variety of resources. Such systems require complex resource management schemes for multi-objective optimizations and should be specific to different system requirements. In addition, burstiness has often been found in enterprise workloads, being a key factor in performance degradation. Therefore, it is an extremely challenging problem of managing heterogeneous resources (e.g., computing, networking and storage) for such a large scale system under bursty conditions while providing performance guarantee and cost efficiency.

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EFFICIENT LOW-DENSITY PARITY-CHECK CODES FOR COOPERATIVE COMMUNICATION

In this dissertation, we address code design problem for cooperative communication over different channel models with emphasis on low complexity designs and structured codes that are attractive for practical implementation. We start with the problem of designing efficient codes for the relay node in Gaussian relay channels. For a class of capacity approaching codes for this channel model, called bilayer lengthened LDPC (BL-LDPC) codes, we calculate a measure of decoding complexity as a function of the number of decoding iterations and propose a technique to design complexity-optimized BL-LDPC codes by minimizing the complexity measure of these codes. This is made possible by generalizing the EXIT charts to the case of BL-LDPC codes. Motivated by the fact that there are usually stricter hardware restrictions at the relay node, our technique targets minimizing the decoding complexity of the relay code. Furthermore, excessive delay due to decoding high rate codes at the relay results in additional delay at the destination. Using our technique, we design bilayer codes with noticeable reduction in decoding complexity and delay compared to the rate-optimized codes reported in the literature.

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INSTRUMENTATION AND METHODS FOR TIME-RESOLVED DIFFUSE FLUORESCENCE IMAGING

We studied the impact of instrumentation on early-arriving photon measurements and showed that this had a significant effect on instrument performance compared to theoretical models. Specifically the effects of i) instrument temporal impulse response function, ii) detector sensitivity and iii) detected signal levels were studied. Based on this work, an improved earlyphoton tomography prototype was developed and validated in our lab.

Complimentary to this work, we studied time-resolved and multispectral analysis of FMT data sets with multiple fluorescent targets. In general, the narrow (~200 nm) "diagnostic window" in biological tissue in the red and NIR wavelength range, combined with the broad emission spectra of organic fluorophores limits the number concurrent fluorescent targets in an imaging system to one or two.

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HIERARCHICAL IMAGE GEO-LOCATION ON A WORLD-WIDE SCALE

In this thesis, we leverage multiple large geo-spatial databases to create a 3D world model and develop a hierarchical image geolocation framework using a coarse-to-fine localization approach. Starting at the coarsest level, a query image is geo-located to regions of the world though a probabilistic terrain classification approach using a 6.5 million image Flickr database. Next, a novel medium-scale localization method is developed to rule out most of the regions and establish candidate geo-locations with geo-positioning accuracy at a city level. Results from the combined hierarchical classifier demonstrate a 10% improvement over current state-of-the-art. A fine-scale geo-location stage was also developed to determine the pose of a query image to street-level geo-positioning accuracy.

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SIGNAL DETECTION AND DIGITAL MODULATION CLASSIFICATION-BASED SPECTRUM SENSING FOR COGNITIVE RADIO

In this dissertation, we describe a spectrum sensing architecture that characterizes the carrier frequency and bandwidth of all narrowband signals present in the spectrum, along with the modulation type of those signals that are located within a licensed portion of the spectrum. From this radio identification, a cognitive radio can better determine an opportunity to access the spectrum while avoiding primary users.

We describe a narrowband signal detection algorithm that takes an iterative approach to jointly estimate the carrier frequency and bandwidth of individual narrowband signals contained within a received wideband signal. Our algorithm has a number of tunable parameters, and the algorithm gives consistent performance as we varied these parameter values. Our algorithm outperforms the expected performance of an energy detection algorithm, in particular at lower signal-to-noise ratio (SNR) values. These behavioral features make our algorithm a good choice for use in our spectrum sensing architecture.

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NOVEL PARADIGMS AND DESIGNS OF NANOMETRIC MEMORIES

This dissertation of study has investigated low power design techniques and methods to accomplish the tolerance improvement to the soft error, especially in the SEU. It achieves research and design concentrated on the memory circuit at nano scaled CMOS from various perspectives, including SRAM, DRAM, hybrid memory and multiple level memory. Moreover, by implementing the novel technology like Single-Electron transfer and Resistive RAM (RRAM), the designs are capable of replacing conventional MOSFET-based memory circuit and compatible with the MOSFET fabrication process. The proposed memory circuits have been evaluated with extensive HSPICE simulations. Finally, novel design of memory circuits have been demonstrated from architecture level with SPEC benchmark simulation and characterized the performance improvement of the implemented cache. In sum, this manuscript presents the adequate investigations on the nanometric memory designs, verification and characterization, facilitating novel design techniques with the emerging technology implementation.

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MANIFOLD EMBEDDING WITH DYNAMIC AND/OR CLASSIFICATION SUPERVISION

In this dissertation, we propose a set of nonlinear manifold embedding tools that exploit supervised learning information to find low dimensional data embeddings that preserve spatial and/or temporal correlations characteristics hidden in high dimensional data such as videos and images.

The proposed methods extend the maximum variance embedding objective used in the existing Semi-Definite Embedding (SDE) algorithm by incorporating large margin, low dynamic order and large margin dynamic classification objectives, respectively. These three different supervision objectives benefit the embeddings with linear separation between classes, simple dynamics and separation between different dynamics.

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MICRO-ARCHITECTURAL SUPPORT FOR IMPROVING SYNCHRONIZATION AND EFFICIENCY OF SIMD EXECUTION ON GPUS

This dissertation presents a new approach to enhance the efficiency and scalability of GPU synchronization. The proposed scheme can enable applications that work on shared data to effectively communicate at finer levels of granularity.

To achieve this ambitious goal, we propose a new synchronization approach called Hierarchical Queuing Locks (HQL). HQL is a novel hardware-based synchronization mechanism which provides efficient use of resources through execution blocking and hierarchical queuing. To provide a queue-based locking mechanism, HQL extends current GPU L1 and L2 cache management protocols by adding a synchronization protocol. Integration of HQL's synchronization protocol simplies the synchronization, but adds a level of complexity to the cache management protocol. Given this added complexity to the cache management scheme, as part of this dissertation we provide a formal verication of the proposed HQL synchronization protocol.

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LEARNING FROM SEQUENTIAL DATA FOR ANOMALY DETECTION

In this thesis, we address context-aware multi-class anomaly detection as applied to discrete sequences and develop a context learning approach using an unsupervised learning paradigm. We begin the anomaly detection process by applying our approach to differentiate normal behavior classes (contexts) before attempting to model abnormal behavior. This approach leads to stronger learning on each class by taking advantage of the power of advanced models to identify normal behavior of the sequence classes. We evaluate our discrete sequence-based anomaly detection framework using two illustrative applications: 1) System call intrusion detection and 2) Crowd anomaly detection. We also evaluate how clustering can guide our context-aware methodology to positively impact the anomaly detection rate. In this thesis, we utilize a Hidden Markov Model (HMM) to perform anomaly detection. A HMM is the simplest dynamic Bayesian network. A HMM is a Markov model which can be used when the states are not observable, but observed data is dependent on these hidden states.

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AUTOMATIC SUBLINGUAL MICROCIRCULATION IMAGE ANALYSIS AND QUANTITATIVE ASSESSMENT OF THE MICROCIRCULATION

In this dissertation, our objective is to develop a fully functional, automatic computer assisted diagnosis tool providing quantitative microvascular measurements for the characterization of sublingual microcirculation in healthy subjects and infected patients and assist doctors in determining pathological conditions of patients.

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INTEGRATING ALGORITHM-LEVEL DESIGN AND SYSTEM-LEVEL DESIGN THROUGH SPECIFICATION SYNTHESIS

This thesis introduces a specification synthesis approach that joins two design methodologies, Algorithm-Level Design (ALD) and System-Level Design (SLD), to establish a new Algorithm-Architecture Co-design flow. We designed and implemented an algorithm-to-specification synthesizer: Algo2Spec, which out of an algorithm model captured in ALD, such as Simulink, synthesizes into an SLD languages (SLDL) specification (e.g. SpecC/SystemC) enabling SLD exploration. Expanding the rich sets of SLD facilities into higher abstraction levels in ALD forms a new joint co-design methodology. The new flow seamlessly spans from the Simulink environment down to heterogeneous implementations crossing multiple abstractions. Our tools empower designers to construct, simulate, validate, explore, and deploy models in rapid feedback cycles. Our results illustrated the opportunities and benefits of our approach on a set of realworld applications and showed a significantly shortened design time.

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VOLTAGE CONTROL OF MAGNETISM

In our work, different mechanism-based magnetoelectric (ME) coupling in multiferroics heterostructure was investigated for the development of novel generation, voltage-controllable, high-speed, compact RF/microwave devices with greater energy efficiency.

Firstly, ME coupling was realized in different magnetic thin film/ferroelectric slab heterostructures. By decreasing the saturation magnetization of Cr doping Ni magnetic thin film, large ME coupling in NiCr/PbZr0.52Ti0.4803 (PZT) and NiCr/ PbZn1/3Nb2/302.4(PbTi03)0.6 (PZNPT) was obtained. Furthermore, non-volatile voltage impulse tunability was discovered through electric field-induced phase transition in FeGaB/PZNPT multiferroics heterostructure.

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