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EDUCATION

- **Yale University** New haven, US
Master of Science (MS) in Mechanical Engineering & Material Science *Aug.2024 – Jun.2025*
Core Modules: Deep-learning on Graph structure, Neural networks & Learning System, Linear System, Computer-Aided engineering
- **Xi'an Jiaotong-Liverpool University (XJTTLU); Rank 1/36** Suzhou, China
BEng Mechatronics and Robotic Systems; Major GPA: 4.0/4.0 *Fall 2020 – Summer 2024*
Core Modules: Dynamic Systems, Instrumentation and Control, Mechanical Engineering Design, Machine Learning, Industrial Automation and Robot Control, Robotic Systems, Pattern Recognition

PUBLICATIONS

- [1] **Tianyi Xiang¹, et al.**, "[A Novel Approach to Grasping Control of Soft Robotic Grippers based on Digital Twin](#)," 29th *International Conference on Automation and Computing (ICAC 2024)*(Accepted) ;
- [2] **Tianyi Xiang¹, et al.**, "[Development of a Simple and Novel Digital Twin Framework for Industrial Robots in Intelligent Robotics Manufacturing](#)," 20th *International Conference on Automation Science and Engineering (CASE 2024)*(Accepted) ; [Video](#)

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

- **A Novel Approach to Grasping Control of Soft Robotic Grippers based on Digital Twin**
Research Assistant, XJTTLU, Pdf *Sep.2023 - present*
 - Proposed a Digital Twin (DT) framework for real-time motion and pose control of pneumatic flexible gripper in Unity3D, while the result satisfy industrial application manipulation
 - Constructed the four-section piecewise constant curvature flexible gripper model kinematics and pure mathematical simulation in Unity3D, achieved maximum task space error 3.4%
 - Implemented specific mapping by OpenCV image processing calibration method with gemini-pro 3D depth camera
- **Trajectory Planning, intelligent control and rocker-bogie Coordination of Mars Rover**
Independent Research , XJTTLU, Video *Sep.2023 - present*
 - Recreating the rover's rocker-bogie suspension dynamic modeling system with servo and DC motor
 - leveraging Radar, Depth Cameras, and Simultaneous Localization and Mapping (SLAM), incorporating deep Reinforcement Learning for obstacle detection and avoidance
 - Designing and optimizing the trajectory strategy based on the Genetic Algorithm(GA) and geometrical interactions
- **Development of a Simple and Novel Digital Twin Framework for Manufacturing Robots**
Research Assistant, XJTTLU, Advisor: Dr.Quan Zhang; Pdf; Video *Jun.2023 - Apr.2024*
 - Enabled a Simple and Novel Digital Twin System based on C# and Robot Web Service (RWS) in Unity 3D and Web-based Platform, discarding the traditional 3rd party tools like ROS and costly device like PLC, but achieving efficient communication with 17ms Refreshing Rate.
 - Integrated the real-time path planning based on Levenberg-Marquard Inverse Kinematics Numerical Solution executed in MATLAB, achieving X-Y-Z Global Linear Motion Control and Multi-Joint Motion Control with Reachability 100%, and Accuracy 100%.
 - Created a User-friendly Web-based Platform by WEBGL with a Remote Surveillance Camera, and easy accessible Graphical User Interfaces (GUI) including functions like Pointer Operation, I/O System Operation in real-time control
- **The dynamic optimization of Automated Guided Vehicle (AGV)**
2022 ABB Smart Innovation Competition: First prize; Intro *Jun.2022 - Sep.2023*
 - Applied dynamic optimization of local trajectory planning through LQR, Dual-loop PID, stanely method, and MPC Motion control algorithms to AGV incorporating B-spline and A-star method, with simulation and modelling in Automation studio, MapleSim, and Scene Viewer
 - Designed self-supervised spline interpolation techniques to generate control points, achieving a maximum deviation of lower 50%(in unit) in critical turning areas in rare 3% occurrence probability

- Innovatively utilized intelligent visual distance-refresh methodology to compensate the non-completely homogeneous trajectory points due to B-spline planning incorporating with dual-loop PID
- Obtained the sliding friction coefficient 0.2, by tire Magic Formula to render the control algorithm designed applicable

- **Dynamic Optimization of ROS SLAM for Autonomous Vehicles**

Independent research, XJTU, [video](#)

Jun.2022 - Aug.2022

- Developed and implemented a SLAM-based navigation system for an autonomous vehicle with radar using ROS and Gazebo
- Leveraged AMCL for adaptive localization and differential drive controllers, combining with Move_Base for efficient navigation in simulated environments.
- Optimized traditional path planning methodologies (e.g., A* and RRT), achieving a 30% increase in localization accuracy and a 25% reduction in computational overhead, significantly enhancing both precision and efficiency.

- **Optimization Design and Simulation of Low Reynolds Numbers Turbojet Aircraft**

Research Assistant, XJTU, Advisor: Dr. Quan zhang ; [Introduction](#)

Apr.2022 - June.2022

- Optimised and modeled attack angle of 10.4° of AVERJANO type airfoil to obtain the minimum drag-lift ratio under low Reynolds number atmosphere ($Re = 50000$) through PROFILI numerical solution;
- Designed and built mathematics model of the turbojet engine, and analyzed the accuracy of 63.7% compared with calculation through ANSYS Fluent workbench (finite element analysis) simulation, optimizing the fuel injection rate during taking-off period performance via numerical simulation;
- Selected manufacturing materials for enhancing environmental adaptability; designed the assembly of actuators, materials, and power supply to deliver the specified mobility, power, robustness, and compactness.

AWARDS AND HONORS

2024	<i>Best Overall Academic Performance (Rank 1 Overall)</i>	<i>Xi'an Jiaotong-Liverpool University</i>
2023	<i>University Academic Excellence Award (Rank 1/36)</i>	<i>Xi'an Jiaotong-Liverpool University</i>
2023	<i>University Summer Undergraduate Research Fellow</i>	<i>Xi'an Jiaotong-Liverpool University</i>
2022	<i>ABB Smart Innovation Competition: First prize(Rank 3/275)</i>	<i>ABB, B&R Industrial Automation</i>
2022	<i>University Academic Excellence Award (Rank 1/64)</i>	<i>Xi'an Jiaotong-Liverpool University</i>
2022	<i>University Summer Undergraduate Research Fellow</i>	<i>Xi'an Jiaotong-Liverpool University</i>

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- **Research Assistant**

XJTU, Suzhou, China

Fall 2023 – Spring 2024

- PID parameterization and tuning for the servo motors which drive for the Cartesian robot station and Tripodworkstation, respectively
- Designed the coding and implementation platform in Automation Studio affiliated to B&R Co.
- Applied servo motor control system and mastered the basic operation of its maintenance

SKILLS

- **Programming:** C/C++/C#, ARM assembly, MATLAB, RAPID, KRL, Python, ST
- **Tools:** Visual Studio, Blender, Unity 3D, SolidWorks, Fusion 360, PTC creo, CAD, Origin, MATLAB, SIMULINK, Carsim, LTspice, ANSYS Fluent, ROS, Dr. Frame, OfficeLite , RobotStudio, Automation studio , Malpsim, Scene viewer, Profili
- **Language:** Mandarin(Native), English(Fluent, IELTS 7.0)