

Jiahe Chen

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RESEARCH PROFILE

I am a 4th-year PhD student studying robotics in the Electrical and Computer Engineering department at Cornell University. I am highly competent in mathematical modeling, multi-agent simulation, and data analysis, and have extensive experience in computer programming. I am enthusiastic about Artificial Intelligence, and I am seeking an internship where I can apply my knowledge in robotics and machine learning to develop best-in-class solutions for high-impact problems in the industry.

Research Focus: Robotic Construction, Multi-Agent Systems, Distributed Robot Systems

Tools: Robot Operating System (ROS), Linux, AutoCAD, Altium, Cadence

Programming Languages: Python, C, Verilog, MATLAB, Mathematica

EDUCATION

Cornell University Sep 2019 - Dec 2024

- **Degree:** Ph.D. in Electrical Engineering, GPA 3.82/4.0
- **Committee:** Kirstin H. Petersen (Advisor), Nils Napp, Francesca Parise

University of Pennsylvania Sep 2017 - May 2019

- **Degree:** M.S. in Electrical Engineering, GPA 3.97/4.0

Queen's University at Kingston Sep 2013 - May 2017

- **Degree:** B.S. in Engineering Physics, Minor in Electrical Engineering, First Class Honours

PUBLICATIONS

1. **Jiahe Chen** and Kirstin Petersen, *Distributed Coordination of Simple Earthmover Robots for Terrain Modification*, under review in International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA), 2025.
2. **Jiahe Chen** and Kirstin Petersen, *2D Construction Planning for Swarms of Simple Earthmover Robots*, International Symposium on Distributed Autonomous Robotic Systems (DARS), 2024.
3. Danna Ma, **Jiahe Chen**, Sadie Cutler, and Kirstin Petersen, *Smarticle 2.0: Design of Scalable, Entangled Smart Matter*, International Symposium on Distributed Autonomous Robotic Systems (DARS), 2022.
4. **Jiahe Chen** and Kirstin Petersen, *Decay-Based Error Correction in Collective Robotic Construction*, IEEE/RSJ International Conference on Intelligent Robots and Systems (IROS), 2022.
5. **Jiahe Chen**, Yifang Liu, Adam Pacheck, Hadas Kress-Gazit, Nils Napp, and Kirstin Petersen, *Errors in Collective Robotic Construction*, International Symposium on Distributed Autonomous Robotic Systems (DARS), 2022.
6. Han Hao, **Jiahe Chen**, Andrew G. Richardson, Jan Van der Spiegel, and Firooz Aflatouni, *A 10.8 μ W Neural Signal Recorder and Processor with Unsupervised Analog Classifier for Spike Sorting*, IEEE Transactions on Biomedical Circuits and Systems, 2021.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

Reviewer for RA-L and ICRA

Teaching Assistant for ECE 4160 Fast Robots (Cornell), ECE 2300 Digital Logic & Computer Organization (Cornell), ESE 568 Mixed Signal Design and Modeling (UPenn), ESE 570 Digital Integrated Circuits and VLSI-Fundamentals (UPenn)

Member of Cornell Computer Systems Laboratory Student Steering Committee in 2021-2022

AWARDS

Jacobs Fellowship (Cornell)	Aug 2020 & Aug 2021
Merit-Based Fellowship (Cornell)	Aug 2019
Outstanding Academic Award Honorable Mention (UPenn)	May 2019
Dean's Scholar (Queen's)	May 2015 & May 2017
Excellence Scholarship (Queen's)	Sep 2013

PROJECTS

- Collective Robotic Terrain Transformation** Mar 2022 - Present
Advised by Prof. Kirstin Petersen, Cornell University
- Developed planning algorithms for coordinating a group of simple earth-mover robots to collectively transform a continuous terrain into a user-defined shape.
 - Developed a multi-robot simulator in Python.
- Collective Robotic Construction** Apr 2020 - Mar 2022
Advised by Prof. Kirstin Petersen, Cornell University
- Developed a stochastic model for analyzing the construction duration and efficiency of a distributed multi-robot system that constructs a user-defined 3D structure.
 - Developed an agent-based simulator in Python for studying the error effects in the system. Proposed a stochastic distributed algorithm for automatically correcting the errors.
- Price Prediction of Used Cars** Sep 2021 - Dec 2021
ORIE 5741 Learning with Big Messy Data, Cornell University
- Predict the price of used cars based on a raw dataset with 420k data points and 25 features.
 - Tested and trained different models including regression, random forest, boosting, etc. and proposed the best prediction method.
- Multi-Robot Wireless Charging System** Sep 2019 - Jul 2020
Advised by Prof. Kirstin Petersen, Cornell University
- Designed a fully customized programmable wireless power transfer system for charging multiple modular robots powered by Li-ion batteries.
- Implantable Chips for Brain-Machine Interface Applications** Jan 2018 - Jun 2019
Advised by Prof. Firooz Aflatouni and Prof. Jan Van der Spiegel, University of Pennsylvania
- Participated in the design of an implantable chip that can classify neural signals in real time by using an unsupervised machine learning algorithm.
 - Designed an implantable chip that can detect the minimum electric current for effective neurostimulation.