

# Hanwei Zhou

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## EDUCATION

### **Purdue University**

West Lafayette, Indiana

- ❖ **Doctor of Philosophy in field of Mechanical Engineering** (In progress)

Aug. 2019 - Present

### **Carnegie Mellon University**

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

- ❖ **Master of Science in field of Mechanical Engineering** GPA: 3.86/4.00

Aug. 2017 - May. 2019

- ❖ Coursework Selected:

Fuel Cell Systems, Electrochemical Energy Storage Systems, Energy Transport and Conversion at Nanoscale, Fluid Dynamics, Molecular Simulation of Materials, Engineering Optimization

- ❖ Master's Degree Thesis:

*In-operando* Imaging of Copper Dendrites Growth based on Planar Micro-cell  
Using Ultra-high Resolution X-ray Computed Tomography

### **Zhejiang University**

Hangzhou, China

- ❖ **Bachelor of Engineering in Energy & Environment Systems Engineering** GPA: 3.70/4.00

Sep. 2013 - Jun. 2017

- ❖ Core Coursework Selected:

Heat Transfer, Thermodynamics, Fluid Mechanics, Electrical & Electronic Engineering, Numerical Analysis

- ❖ Bachelor's Degree Thesis:

Study on a Stirling/Pulse Tube Hybrid Cryocooler

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## ACDEMIC PROJECTS

### ***In-operando* Imaging of Copper Dendrites Growth based on Planar Micro-cell**

**Using Ultra-high Resolution X-ray Computed Tomography** Supervisor: Prof. *Shawn Litster*

Sep. 2017 - May. 2019

Carnegie Mellon University, *Laboratory for Transport Phenomena in Energy Systems*

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

- Fabricate a unique copper planar micro-cell for *in-operando* imaging.
- Investigate a wide range of separator materials and cell configurations.
- The transient process of the dendrite passage through the separators is visualized.
- Analyze in light of the separators mechanical properties and transport characteristics.

### **Prediction of Thermal Conductivity Using MD Simulation Based on Green-Kubo Formation**

Sep. 2018 - Dec. 2018

Carnegie Mellon University, *Course Project*

Supervisor: Prof. *Alan McGaughey*

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

- A molecular dynamics C++ code is compiled to model 256-atom liquid argon system.
- Cut-off radius, nearest images and periodic boundary conditions are implemented.
- Both *NVE Ensemble* and *NVT Ensemble* are simulated with Velocity Verlet Scheme and Nose-Hoover thermostat.
- Thermal conductivity of system is computed using Green-Kubo method under various temperature.

### **Algorithm of Handwriting-recognition System Based on Neural Network**

Feb. 2018 - May. 2018

Carnegie Mellon University, *Course Project*

Supervisor: Prof. *Jeremy Michalek*

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

- Define loss functions to measure effectiveness and precision of handwriting-recognition systems.
- Several optimization algorithms and routines are manipulated via Matlab to minimize loss functions.
- Stochastic Gradient Descent, Steepest Descent, BFGS method and Genetic Algorithm are realized.
- Merits and defects are interpreted in terms of each unique algorithm.

### **Advanced Simulation towards Precise SOC & SOH Estimation of Commercial Li-ion Battery**

Sep. 2017 - Dec. 2017

Carnegie Mellon University, *Course Project*

Supervisor: Prof. *Venkat Viswanathan*

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

- Simulate SOC status and SOH degradation of Panasonic NCR18650F Li-ion battery using AutoLion<sup>ST</sup>.
- Analyze on various CC rates, cycle numbers, temperature, transference numbers and SEI layer growth rates.

- Create a mathematical model using non-linear regression to fit the data and predict battery life.
- New model possesses computational simplicity and maintains adaptability along with accuracy.

### Study on a Stirling/Pulse Tube Hybrid Cryocooler

Supervisor: Prof. *Zhihua Gan*

Oct. 2016 - Jun. 2017

Zhejiang University, *Institute of Refrigeration and Cryogenics*

Hangzhou, China

- Harmonize discrepancy of phase angles between mass flow rate and dynamic pressure from Stirling stage.
- Maximize secondary refrigeration capacity in Pulse Tube stage based on thermo-acoustic theory.

## ACDEMIC PRESENTATIONS

### ASME International Mechanical Engineering Congress and Exposition (IMECE) 2018

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

Poster Presentation

Nov. 2018

### CMU 4<sup>th</sup> Electrochemical Energy Symposium 2018

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

Poster Presentation

Nov. 2018

Title: *In-operando* Imaging of Copper Dendrites Growth based on Planar Micro-cell

Using Ultra-high Resolution X-ray Computed Tomography.

**IMECE2018-89462 (Abstract Accepted)**

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## PUBLICATIONS

- Choi, P., Braaten, J., Li, Y., Chen, T., **Zhou, H.**, & Litster, S. (2018). Ultra-high Resolution In-operando X-ray Microscopy of Fuel cells and Batteries. *Microscopy and Microanalysis*, 24(S2), 420-423. doi:10.1017/S1431927618014368

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCES

### CMU Graduate Course - 24642 Fuel Cell Systems in Mechanical Engineering

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

Course Assistant

Jan. 2019 - May 2019

- Prepare and grade assignments, hold weekly office hour and recitations, administer mid-term and final examination.

### China Aviation Lithium Battery Co., Ltd

Luoyang, China

Division of International Business & Department of Research and Innovation, *Intern*

Jun. 2018 - Aug. 2018

- Study and participate in manufacturing commercial Li-ion batteries at Industrial Plant.
- Study and participate in fabricating secondary Li-metal coin cells at Research Center and implementing experiments of electrochemical characterizations regarding battery life as well as performances.
- Participate in collaboration and negotiation conference with Daimler AG, German in terms of prospects of electric vehicles.

## SKILLS

### Lab Skills // Programming & Typesetting Language

- SP-50 & VSP Potentiostat, EC-Lab Software, Glovebox (Learning), Electrochemical Characterizations //
- C, C++, Matlab, Python, LaTeX

### Application Software

- Matlab, COMSOL Multiphysics, ANSYS Fluent, ANSYS ICEM CFD, AutoLion<sup>ST</sup>, LabVIEW, AutoCAD, SolidWorks

## HONORS & LEADERSHIP

### Undergraduates Scholarship for Excellence in Research and Innovation

2015 - 2016

### Undergraduates Scholarship for Cultural and Sports Activities, *twice*

2013 - 2014 / 2014 - 2015

### University First Prize, Undergraduates Competition of Energy Conservation & Emission Reduction

Jun. 2016

### Project Leader, Undergraduates Research Training Program

Oct. 2015 - Jun. 2016

### Deputy Leader & Concertmaster, Wenqin Symphony Orchestra of Zhejiang University

Sep. 2013 - Jun. 2017

### National First Prize, *twice*

Division of Instruments, China National Art Exhibition & Competition of College Students

2014 - 2015 / 2015 - 2016