

Zitong Lan

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EDUCATION

- **University of Pennsylvania** Philadelphia, USA
Ph.D. in Electrical and System Engineering (Advisor: Mingmin Zhao) *Aug. 2023 - Present*
- **Honors college(Chien-Shiung Wu College), Southeast University** Nanjing, China
B.Eng. in Information Engineering GPA: 92.4 (3.96/4) rank: 4/158 *Sep. 2019 - Jun. 2023*

PUBLICATIONS

- Fusang Zhang, Beihong Jin, **Zitong Lan**, Zhaoxin Chang, Daqing Zhang, Yuechun Jiao, Meng Shi, Jie Xiong. Quantum Wireless Sensing: Principle, Design and Implementation, *Mobicom'23*
- Tengxiang Zhang, **Zitong Lan**, Chenren Xu, Yanrong Li, Yiqiang Chen. BLEselect: Gestural IoT Device Selection via Bluetooth Angle of Arrival Estimation from Smart Glasses, *ACM IMWUT* Vol. 6/*UbiComp* 2023.
- Zhenhao Ji, Yu Tian, Jifu Wang, Mingyuan Ding, Haoxin Wang, Yifan Chen, Jiahao Wen, **Zitong Lan**, Huiting Xu et. al. PCCR Based Wheelchair Control System, *IEEE Circuits and Systems Magazine*, the third-quarter 2021.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

- **Quantum wireless sensing: principle, design and implementation** *Aug. 2022 - May. 2023*
UMass Amherst Amherst, USA
Remote Research Intern, advised by Prof. Jie Xiong and Fusang Zhang
 - Proposed the prototype of a new sensing modality employing Rydberg atoms as signal receiver. Presented its principles and design with sensitivity enhancement methods to achieve wireless sensing with super high SNR.
 - The system outperforms conventional RF sensing at 2.4 G by more than 10 times in terms of sensing granularity and provide fine-grained application like using centimeter-wave to sense sub-millimeter vibration of a speaker.
 - The system is compatible with commodity RF devices like WiFi and enhance their sensing ability. By changing the Rydberg state, the Rydberg atom can serve as a nearly full-band receiver.
- **Realizing Intermittent Computing on Arduino Platform** *Oct. 2022 - Jan. 2023*
University of California, Los Angeles Los Angeles, USA
Remote Research Intern, advised by Prof. Yang Zhang
 - Enabled intermittent computing programming on Arduino (i.e. Mega 2560 Rev3) using non-volatile memory EEPROM. Inserted checkpoints to program to make it restore the state from the latest checkpoint.
 - Implemented common physical computing applications in intermittent computing, including computing, sensing, actuation and communications. Summarized common problems and obstacles in develop IC and called for future efforts in assistive features and development tools to support intermittent computing
- **BLEselect: IoT Device Selection via BLE AoA Estimation from Smart Glasses** *May. 2021 - Aug. 2022*
Institute of Computing Technology, Chinese Academy of Sciences Beijing, China
Research Intern, advised by Prof. Tengxiang Zhang
 - Proposed a natural, accurate, privacy-preserving IoT device selection method, which leverages the direction finding feature in BLE Protocol 5.0 and improves the user experience for device selection.
 - Designed a 5-element antenna array that fits on the frame of smart glasses, developed a device selection pipeline that trains light-weight SVM models in real-time to enable precise selection(3m > 90% accuracy).
 - Implemented a prototype system (< 10mW) that supports three natural gestures of device selection, conducted extensive experiments and user studies (96.7% correctness).

HONORS AND AWARDS

- Howard Broadwell Fellow from Upenn *Mar. 2023*
- The Final Winner (1st) in the 2019-2020 IEEE CASS Student Design Competition *Sep. 2020*
- The Southeast University President Scholarship (2%) *Fall 2020*
- The Second Award in the Chinese Mathematics Competition *Nov. 2020*

SKILLS SUMMARY

- **Programming languages:** Python, Matlab, C, C++, Verilog
- **Software:** Matlab, Gnu-Radio, L^AT_EX, Vivado