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Overview: University of Hawai'i at Mānoa College of Engineering

The University of Hawai'i at Mānoa College of Engineering has launched thousands of successful careers in Hawai'i and throughout the world. Graduates occupy key roles with engineering firms, government agencies, defense contractors, and as entrepreneurs. Many of its 9,000 alumni have made significant engineering contributions to the state's infrastructure and are now set on accomplishing similar tasks abroad. The College's respect for the Hawaiian culture is reflected in its successful mentoring program for under-represented science and engineering students. In 2008, the College celebrated 100 years of engineering education at Mānoa, and continues its focus on becoming a major contributor to Hawai'i's renewable energy and sustainable future.

DEAN'S OFFICE



Peter E. Crouch

Dean

Professor

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Interests: Research interests lie in control theory, nonlinear systems theory, and dynamical systems, their applications to problems in electrical, mechanical and aerospace engineering, semiconductor manufacturing, and related problems in numerical simulation.

- Fellow, Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers, 1996
- PhD, Applied Sciences, Harvard University, 1977
- MS, Warwick University, 1974
- BS, Engineering Science, Warwick University (England), 1973

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Bruce E. Liebert

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Interests: Materials science and engineering. Applications of electrochemical techniques, such as impedance spectroscopy, to marine corrosion, lithium batteries, fuel cells, and heat exchangers; failure analysis involving design, fatigue, and environmental degradation of structural materials; solid-state electrochemistry.

- Regents' Medal for Excellence in Teaching, 1990
- PhD, Mechanical Engineering, Stanford University, 1977
- MS, Materials Science and Engineering, Stanford University, 1972
- BS, Materials Science, San Jose State University, 1970

(Also listed under Mechanical Engineering)



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Interests: Unmanned vehicles and systems, specializing in autonomous underwater vehicles, with emphasis in automatic learning control, vehicle and system dynamics and design, simulations, sensors, and enhanced graphic monitoring.

- PhD, Mechanical Engineering, University of Hawai'i at Mānoa
- MS, Mechanical Engineering, Carnegie Mellon University
- BS, Mechanical Engineering, Worcester Polytechnic Institute



Tep Dobry

Director of Academic Affairs

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Interests: Digital electronics, computer architecture and computer software

- Chancellor's Citation for Meritorious Teaching, 2006
- PhD, Computer Science, University of California, Berkeley, 1987
- BS, Electrical Engineering, Cornell University, 1975

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A. Ricardo Archilla

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Interests: Deterioration modeling in pavement engineering, applied statistics, traffic engineering, transportation infrastructure management systems, transportation systems analysis.

- PhD, Transportation Engineering, University of California, Berkeley, 2000
- MS, Transportation Engineering, University of Calgary, Calgary, Alberta, Canada, 1993
- BS, Civil Engineering, National University of San Juan, Argentina, 1989



Roger W. Babcock

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Interests: Biological wastewater treatment, membrane bioreactors, bioaugmentation processes, wastewater recycling, fate and transport of contaminants in irrigation leachate through porous media, activated carbon adsorption and regeneration, genetic fingerprinting for assessing bacterial diversity and biological source tracking.

- PhD, Civil and Environmental Engineering, University of California, Los Angeles, 1991
- MS, Civil and Environmental Engineering, California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo, 1989
- BS, Civil Engineering, University of California, Davis, 1987



Horst G. Brandes

Professor

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Interests: Geotechnical engineering and marine geomechanics. Emphasis on offshore sediment mechanics, seabed processes and modeling, as well as seafloor sampling and testing. Fundamental soil testing and modeling, slope stability assessment, earthquake engineering and liquefaction, dam engineering, seepage modeling, soil-structure interaction, pavement engineering and numerical model development.

- PhD, Ocean Engineering, University of Rhode Island, 1992
- MS, Ocean Engineering, University of Rhode Island, 1984
- BS, Ocean Engineering, Florida Institute of Technology, 1982



Robert A. Grace

Professor

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Interests: Offshore and underwater engineering planning, design, construction, operation, maintenance and repair of ocean outfalls, artificial reefs, wave forces, and marine environments.

- PhD, Civil Engineering, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, 1966
- SM, Civil Engineering, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, 1962
- BESC, Civil Engineering, University of Western Ontario, Canada, 1960



Albert S. Kim

Associate Professor

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Interests: Environmental soft matter physics. Emphasis on the scientific and engineering aspects of particles, aggregates, and membranes investigated using theoretical and simulation approaches such as integral equation method, artificial neural network, Monte Carlo, molecular dynamics, Brownian dynamics, and Stokes dynamics.

- Regents' Medal for Excellence in Research, 2006
- National Science Foundation CAREER Award, 2005
- PhD, Civil and Environmental Engineering, University of California, Los Angeles, 2000
- MS, Civil and Environmental Engineering, University of California, Los Angeles, 1997
- MS, Physics, Yonsei University, Korea, 1994
- BS, Physics, Kyung Hee University, Korea, 1991



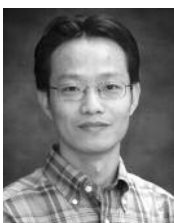
Clark C.K. Liu

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Interests: Groundwater hydrology and modeling, development and application of new modeling techniques for evaluation of sustainable yield of Hawaii basal aquifer. Watershed hydrology and modeling--watershed rainfall runoff model for the analysis of flood hydrograph and non-point source pollution is formulated based on linear systems theory and applied. Natural energy powered water desalination. Artificial upwelling and mixing, utilization of deep ocean water resources.

- PhD, Civil and Environmental Engineering, Cornell University, 1976
- MS, Civil Engineering, University of Mississippi, 1969
- BS, Agricultural/Water Resources Engineering, National Taiwan University, 1966



David T. Ma

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Interests: Smart structure technology, involving wireless sensor networks, health monitoring of structures, damage mechanics, adaptive seismic- and wind-control, stochastic dynamics, and risk and reliability analysis of structures, damping mechanisms and the development of new damping system/materials for civil structures, structural health monitoring via smart sensor networks, active sensing method for local damage detection and identification, and decentralized control of building structures.

- PhD, Mechanical Engineering, University of California, Santa Barbara
- MS, Electrical and Computer Engineering, University of California, Santa Barbara
- MS, Mechanical Engineering, University of Science and Technology Beijing, China
- BS, Naval Architecture, Shanghai Jiao Tong University, China



Peter G. Nicholson

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Interests: Soil liquefaction, dynamic soil failures, engineering properties of tropical soils, enhancement/improvement of residual and alluvial tropical soils, constructive use of industrial waste as engineering materials and as soil improvement admixtures, cementation effects in calcareous soils, and hazard mapping using GIS.

- Regents' Medal for Excellence in Teaching, 1994
- PhD, Civil Engineering, Stanford University, 1990
- MS, Civil Engineering, Stanford University, 1986
- BS, Civil Engineering, University of Utah, 1985
- BA, Geology and Geophysics, Yale University 1980



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Interests: Soil-structure interaction, including the geotechnical aspects of foundations, retaining structures, tunnels and pavements. Emphasis on field instrumentation to improve understanding of current analyses and design procedures, field and laboratory testing to develop models for important design parameters, and numerical simulation to compare analytical procedures/test validity of model parameters with field behavior.

- PhD, Civil Engineering, Virginia Polytechnic Institute & State University, 1991
- MS, Civil Engineering, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, 1984
- BSc, Civil Engineering, University of Leeds, U.K., 1983



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Professor

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Interests: Traffic operations, driver behavior, traffic simulations, air transportation, traffic safety, transportation noise, geographic information systems, mass transit, transportation and infrastructure planning, intelligent transportation systems, air quality and energy.

- PhD, 1974, Carnegie-Mellon University, 1974
- MS, Carnegie-Mellon University, 1971
- BE, Magna Cum Laude, Youngstown State University, 1969



Panagiotis D. Prevedouros

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Interests: Traffic flow modeling and its impacts such as congestion, noise, pollution and in intelligent transportation systems and models.

- PhD, Civil Engineering, Northwestern University, 1990
- MS, Civil Engineering, Northwestern University, 1987
- BS, Civil Engineering, Aristotle University, Thessalonica, Greece, 1984



Chittaranjan Ray

Professor

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Interests: Water resources and environmental engineering: emphasis on the flow of water and the transport of chemicals and pathogens in the vadose zone and ground water systems, watershed modeling, interaction of surface water and ground water, ground water contamination monitoring, natural filtration of drinking water, and material flow analysis of water and wastes for islands.

- Fellow, American Society of Civil Engineering, 2010
- PhD, Civil Engineering, University of Illinois, Urbana, 1994
- MS, Civil Engineering, Texas Tech University, 1984
- MSc, Agricultural Engineering, University of Manitoba, Canada, 1982
- BS, Agricultural Engineering, Orissa University of Agriculture and Technology, India, 1980



H. Ronald Riggs

Professor

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Interests: Fluid-structure interaction, wave and tsunami forces on structures, hydroelasticity of floating structures, computational mechanics, and real-time monitoring of structural response. Emphasis on the computational simulation of structural response to fluid loading, whether it be ocean waves acting on floating structures or tsunamis/hurricane storm surge hitting coastal structures.

- PhD, Structural Engineering, University of California, Berkeley, 1981
- MS, Structural Engineering, University of California, Berkeley, 1976
- BS, Civil Engineering, California State University, Chico, 1975



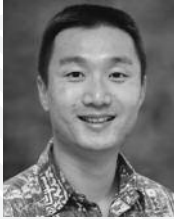
Ian N. Robertson

Professor

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Interests: Performance of structures during seismic, tsunami, hurricane, blast and other extreme loading events; structural health monitoring of civil infrastructure; use of fiber reinforced polymers for retrofit of concrete structures; long-term behavior of reinforced and pre-stressed concrete structures; corrosion of reinforcing steel and galvanized light gauge steel.

- PhD, Civil Engineering, Rice University, 1990
- MS, Civil Engineering, Rice University, 1985
- BS, Civil Engineering, University of the Witwatersrand, Johannesburg, South Africa, 1978



Lin Shen

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Interests: Concrete rheology, sustainable concretes, aggregate packing, characterization of microstructure of cementitious materials, early age properties of concrete

- Ph.D., Civil and Environmental Engineering, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, 2007
- M.S., Civil Engineering, National University of Singapore, Singapore 2002
- B.S., Civil Engineering, Tongji University, China 1999



Vir Amarjit Singh

Professor

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Interests: Automated site processes, economic and operational analysis of constructed facilities, hazardous waste landfill operations, surface mining operations, flexible construction systems / flexible manufacturing systems, process simulation, safety in rock excavation, fall protection, automated prefabrication, industrialized housing, value engineering, organization and planning, project control, contract administration, project management behavior, motivation, leadership, personality assessment, complexity and chaos theory, claims analysis, cost estimating, cost-schedule control systems / earned value analysis, project cost forecasting, scheduling, change management, management applications of chaos theory, and international construction.

- Regents' Medal for Excellence in Teaching, 2009
- PhD, Civil Engineering, Purdue University, 1990
- MEng, Civil Engineering, Texas A&M University, 1987
- BTech, Civil Engineering, I.I.T. Delhi, 1976



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Interests: Modeling and mitigation of natural hazards such as tsunamis, floods and hurricane generated storm surges. Emphasis on modeling and prediction of tsunami generation, propagation and run-up on coastal land; improving hydraulic design for highway bridges and culverts for flood mitigation; study submerged moving objects for naval applications; and develop renewable energy especially ocean wave energy.

- PhD, Engineering Science, California Institute of Technology, 1990
- MS, Environmental Science and Engineering, California Institute of Technology, 1987
- BE, Engineering Mechanics, Tsinghua University, Beijing, China, 1985



Tao Yan

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Interests: Water and soil/sediment contamination. Emphasis on water biological quality, watershed protection, recreational (beach) water quality, pathogen detection, pollutant biodegradation, and soil/sediment bioremediation.

- PhD, Civil Engineering, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minnesota 2004
- MS, Environmental Engineering, Tsinghua University, Beijing, China 2000
- BS, Environmental Engineering, Wuhan University of Technology, Wuhan, China 1997



Gürdal Arslan

Associate Professor

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Interests: Theoretical and computational tools to design cooperative systems, defined as systems of interacting (semi-)autonomous decision makers optimizing their own objectives based on local information yet accomplishing a global objective.

- National Science Foundation CAREER Award, 2006
- PhD, Electrical Engineering, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, 2001
- MS, Electrical Engineering, Pennsylvania State University, 1996
- BS, Electrical Engineering, Istanbul Technical University, Turkey, 1990



Olga Boric-Lubecke

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Interests: High frequency electronics and non-invasive sensing of biomedical signals. Emphasis on silicon integrated circuit design and its applications to cost and power consumption reduction in current communications and military systems, as well as in enabling new technologies, such as GaN, that will make higher levels of integration possible for broad-band high power electronic systems. Non-invasive biomedical sensing addresses the needs of home care technologies, as well as of personnel detection for military, search and rescue, and security applications

- PhD, Electrical Engineering, University of California, Los Angeles, 1995
- MS, Electrical Engineering, California Institute of Technology, 1990
- BSc, Electrical Engineering, University of Belgrade, Yugoslavia, 1989



Peter E. Crouch

Professor

Dean

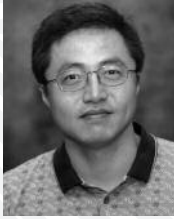
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Tep Dobry

Director of Academic Affairs

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Yingfei Dong

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Interests: Computer networks, distributed systems, advanced computer architecture, and system performance evaluation, especially in computer network security, multimedia streaming and content distribution, secure Internet service, cable broadband networks, and distributed and parallel systems. Emphasis on computer networking, especially in the areas of computer network security, effective security schemes to stop unwanted traffic, construct collaborative defense schemes, and enable end systems with self-defense mechanisms, and multimedia applications, especially performance, quality, and security issues in large-scale video streaming on the Internet and cable broadband networks.

- PhD, Computer and Information Science, University of Minnesota, 2003
- Doctoral degree in Engineering, Tsinghua University, 1995
- MS, Computer Science, Harbin Institute of Technology, 1992
- BS, Computer Science, Harbin Institute of Technology, 1989



N. Thomas Gaarder

Professor

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Interests: Communication and information theory with particular emphasis on multi-user communications.

- PhD, Electrical engineering, Stanford University, 1965
- MS, Electrical Engineering, Stanford University, 1962
- BS, Electrical Engineering, University of Wisconsin, Madison, 1961



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Interests: Integration of efficient simulation algorithms, control techniques, and metrology devised into the design and operation of MEMS for the development of high-performance accelerometers, microscanner displays, and phase-shifting interferometers.

- PhD, Computer Science, University of California, Berkeley, 2007
- BS, Computer Science with a minor in physics, Carnegie Mellon University, 2000
- BS, Mathematics, Carnegie Mellon University, 2000

Anders Host-Madsen

Professor

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Interests: Statistical signal processing, including detection and estimation theory and adaptive signal processing. Emphasis on wireless communications, in particular cross-layer design for wireless ad-hoc networks, information theory, including multi-user information theory and network information theory and detection and estimation of vital signs in wireless non-contact vital sign monitoring.

- PhD, Mathematics, Technical University of Denmark. 1993
- MSc, Electrical Engineering, Technical University of Denmark, 1990



ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING



Magdy F. Iskander

Professor

Director, Hawai'i Center for Advanced Communications

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Aleksandar Kavčić

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Interests: Digital communications including modulation/demodulation, error correction codes, timing recovery. Emphasis on statistical signal processing, including detection and estimation theory and adaptive signal processing, information theory: capacity and capacity approaching codes, network information theory, wireless communications: multiple access and relay channels, channel modeling, code design and decoding, data storage: signal processing and coding for data storage devices, inter-chip communications: fast, efficient modulation/demodulation and coding/decoding for low-delay on-chip and inter-chip communications.

- National Science Foundation CAREER Award, 2000
- PhD, Electrical and Computer Engineering, Carnegie Mellon University, 1998
- Dipl.-Ing., Electrical Engineering, Ruhr-University, Bochum, Germany, 1993



Anthony Kuh

Professor

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Interests: Machine learning and neural networks, adaptive signal processing, sensor networks, communication networks, renewable energy and smart grids.

- National Science Foundation PYI Award, 1988
- Fellow, Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers, 1998
- PhD, Electrical Engineering, Princeton University, 1987
- MS, Electrical Engineering, Stanford University, 1980
- BS, Electrical Engineering and Computer Science, University of California, Berkeley, 1979

ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING



Victor M. Lubecke

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Interests: Sensors, transducers, and integration, particularly involving high frequencies and MEMS. Emphasis on remote personnel sensing for national security and healthcare applications, heterogeneous integration of various IC/antenna/MEMS technologies for high frequency systems, and MEMS for harsh conditions and environments. Technology for monitoring endangered species.

- PhD, Electrical Engineering, California Institute of Technology, 1995
- MS, Electrical Engineering, California Institute of Technology, 1990
- BS, Electrical Engineering, California State Polytechnic University, Pomona, 1986



Vinod Malhotra

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Interests: Wet and dry processes for passivation of GaAs and InP surfaces and surface-sensitive devices, such as HBTs, MSM photodetectors and VCSELs. Emphasis on novel low-damage 'soft' plasma processes for SiNx deposition using electron cyclotron resonance plasma enhanced chemical vapor deposition technique.

- Regents' Medal for Excellence in Teaching, 1991
- PhD, Electrical Engineering, Colorado State University, 1987
- MS, Electrical Engineering, Colorado State University, 1983



Aaron T. Ohta

Assistant Professor

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Interests: Microelectromechanical systems (MEMS), nanoelectromechanical systems (NEMS), with an emphasis on microfluidics, optofluidics, and optoelectronic devices for biomedical applications such as improving laboratory and clinical diagnostics, aiding drug screening, and enabling fundamental microbiological research.

- PhD, Electrical Engineering, University of California, Berkeley, 2008
- MS, Electrical Engineering, University of California, Los Angeles, 2004
- BS, Electrical Engineering, University of Hawai'i at Mānoa, 2003



Todd R. Reed

Professor

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Interests: Signal, image and image sequence processing, multidimensional digital signal processing, and computer vision. Emphasis on the processing and coding of images and image sequences, the application of local frequency and local scale (wavelet) representations to phonocardiogram-based cardiac diagnosis, the application of local frequency representations in image processing and computer vision and segmentation and segmentation-based algorithms for image, image sequence and volumetric data processing and analysis.

- PhD, Electrical Engineering, University of Minnesota, 1988
- MS, Electrical Engineering, University of Minnesota, 1986
- BS, Electrical Engineering, University of Minnesota, 1977



Narayana Prasad Santhanam

Assistant Professor

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Interests: Statistical problems in biomedical applications, electrical engineering and computer science, information theory, statistical learning, signal processing and sparsity recovery, large alphabet problems, coding for communications, combinatorial and probabilistic problems. Emphasis on developing and systematizing theoretical and algorithmic underpinnings of certain higher dimensional problems common to these areas, applications to the analysis of gene regulatory networks, gene clustering, modeling and determination of populations of virus strains, channel estimation and modeling, economics of networks and classification tasks in text and biology.

- PhD, University of California, San Diego, 2006
- MS, University of California, San Diego, 2003
- BTech, Indian Institute of Technology, Madras, 2000



Galen H. Sasaki

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Interests: Communication networks with an emphasis on optical and high speed networks optimization algorithms, and performance evaluation. Emphasis on switching architectures and algorithms, protection and restoration, network topologies and costs, and traffic analysis and control.

- National Science Foundation PYI Award, 1989
- PhD, Electrical and Computer Engineering, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, 1987
- MS, Electrical and Computer Engineering, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, 1984
- BS, Electrical Engineering, University of Hawai'i at Mānoa, 1981



Wayne A. Shiroma

Professor

Co-Director, Hawai'i Space Flight Laboratory

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Interests: Novel architectures for next-generation communication and sensor systems that integrate high-speed devices, circuits, and antennas. Emphasis on nanosatellites and related enabling technologies such as self-phasing antenna arrays, for applications in responsive, distributed sensor networks for crisis management, disaster mitigation, and mobile communications.

- Regents' Medal for Excellence in Teaching, 2003
- PhD, Electrical Engineering, University of Colorado at Boulder, 1996
- MEng, Electrical Engineering, Cornell University, 1987
- BS, Electrical Engineering, University of Hawai'i at Mānoa, 1986

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ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING



Vassilis L. Syrmos

Professor

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Interests: Geometric and algebraic approaches in linear system theory, computational algorithms methods for signal and image processing, robust/optimal filter design in systems, medical imaging, and prognostics and diagnostics methods related to condition based maintenance systems.

- PhD, Electrical Engineering, Georgia Institute of Technology, 1991
- Diploma in Electrical Engineering, Democritus University of Thrace, Greece, 1987

James R. Yee

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Interests: Computer communications networks, network optimization, stochastic models.

- PhD, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, 1986
- SM, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, 1974
- BS, Electrical Engineering, City College of New York, 1972



Xiangrong Zhou

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Interests: Computer architecture, embedded systems, hardware/software co-design, and reconfigurable computing. Emphasis on embedded platform design including low-power and high-performance hardware architecture and system software that could efficiently manage the multiprocessor hardware, and embedded systems integration including cyber-physical systems and wireless sensor networks.

- PhD, Electrical and Computer Engineering, University of Maryland, College Park, 2008
- BS, Automation, Tsinghua University, China, 1999

MECHANICAL ENGINEERING



John S. Allen

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Interests: Applications of acoustics to biomedical and underwater arenas. Emphasis on echolocation methods of dolphins and on swimmer and diver detection in harbors, molecular imaging including imaging soft plaque and biofilm infections causing deleterious effects within the cardiovascular system.

- PhD, Mechanical Engineering, University of Washington, 1997
- MS, Physics, Florida State University, 1992
- AB, Physics, Princeton University, 1988



Dilmurat Azimov

Assistant Professor

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Interests: Guidance, navigation and control design for autonomous space systems, trajectory design and optimization. Emphasis on development of on-board software tools, nonlinear dynamical models of control systems, analytical and numerical synthesis of optimal and extremal space trajectories, high-order optimality conditions in trajectory design, analytical integration methods in space dynamics and optimal control.

- DSc, Aerospace Engineering, Moscow Aviation Institute, 2008.
- MS, Mechanics, Tashkent State University, 1986.
- PhD, Mechanics, Russian University of Peoples' Friendship, 1992



Peter J. Berkelman

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Interests: Human-robot physical interaction. Emphasis on tele-operated robotic minimally-invasive surgery, magnetic levitation systems for haptic interaction and robotic rehabilitation and surgical simulation, including physical modeling and simulation, novel kinematics, actuation, and sensing, and fast real-time control

methods, human haptic (kinesthetic and tactile) perception and biomechanics.

- National Science Foundation CAREER Award, 2009
- PhD, Carnegie Mellon University, 1999
- MS, Mechanical Engineering, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, 1992
- BS, Mechanical Engineering, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, 1992

MECHANICAL ENGINEERING



Brian Bingham

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Interests: Development of innovative tools to expand ocean science's ability to explore, understand and protect the marine environment. Emphasis on precise underwater navigation, applications of autonomous vehicles and the integration of diverse sensors for environmental assessment.

- PhD, Mechanical Engineering, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, 2003
- MS, Mechanical Engineering, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, 1998
- BS, Mechanical Engineering, University of Missouri - Rolla, 1996



Beei-Huan Chao

Professor

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Interests: Energy conversion and chemically reactive flows and combustion phenomena. Emphasis on theoretical investigations of various flame behavior such as spontaneous ignition, extinction, fuel consumption rate, flame stability and pollutant formation, including development of technologies that can reduce/eliminate soot formation, and enhancement of fuel economy and safety issues related to the use of hydrogen as a clean fuel.

- Regents' Medal for Excellence in Teaching, 2002
- PhD, Mechanical Engineering, Northwestern University, 1987
- MS, Mechanical Engineering, Northwestern University, 1983
- BS, Mechanical Engineering, National Taiwan University, 1978



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Interests: Advanced materials and structures such as Composite Materials, Smart Structures, and Nanotechnology employing analytical, computational, and experimental techniques. Emphasis on design, analysis, manufacturing, and testing of nanodevices, nanomaterials, nanoresins, nanocomposites, hierarchical nanocomposites, nanosensors, nanoactuators, nanopositioning, piezoelectric materials as sensors and actuators, smart composite materials and structures with simultaneous precision positioning and vibration suppression, smart composite laser telescopes with nanopositioning and vibration isolation for precision imaging and data transfer, static and dynamic analytical and numerical modeling and simulation of smart structures, thermomechanical issues in advanced materials processing and manufacturing, and mechanical testing.

- PhD, Mechanical Engineering University of Delaware, 1992
- MS, Mechanical Engineering, University of Delaware, 1987
- BS, Mechanical Engineering, Sharif University of Technology, Iran, 1980

MECHANICAL ENGINEERING



Reza Ghorbani

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Interests: Design, dynamic modeling and analysis of electro-mechanical devices. Emphasis on novel actuators and sensors with applications in renewable energy generation and robotics, developing devices to convert the conventional, internal combustion engine vehicles to hybrid or plug-in hybrid, and developing cost effective energy extraction devices including in-stream river current, tidal and ocean energy generation.

- PhD, Mechanical Engineering, University of Manitoba, 2008
- MSc, Aerospace Engineering, Sharif University of Technology, Iran, 2002
- BSc, Aerospace Engineering, Sharif University of Technology, Iran, 2000



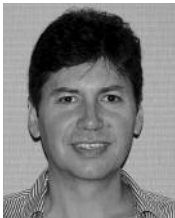
Lloyd H. Hihara

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Interests: Corrosion and materials degradation. Emphasis on corrosion testing in diverse natural environments through test sites in numerous regions throughout Hawai'i (having one of the most spatially diverse climates on Earth), atmospheric and underground corrosion of advanced materials, and development of corrosion technology such as corrosion sensors and novel ceramic-polymer coatings.

- National Science Foundation PYI Award, 1999
- Regents' Medal for Excellence in Teaching, 1995
- PhD, Metallurgy, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, 1989
- SM, Mechanical Engineering, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, 1985
- BS, Mechanical Engineering, University of Hawai'i at Mānoa, 1983



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- PhD, Mathematics, Technical University of Lisbon/IST, Portugal, 2003
- PhD, Mechanical Engineering, Technical University of Lisbon/IST, Portugal, 1994
- MS, Mechanical Engineering, Technical University of Lisbon/IST, Portugal, 1991
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- PhD, Mechanical Engineering, University of Michigan, 2011
- MA, Statistics, University of Michigan, 2010
- MS, Materials Science and Engineering, Tsinghua University, 2005
- BS, Materials Science and Engineering, Beihang University, 2002



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- PhD, Mechanical Engineering, University of Michigan, 2006
- MS, Mechanical Engineering, North Carolina State University, 2003
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- PhD, Mechanical Engineering, Purdue University, 2004
- MS, Engineering Thermophysics, Tsinghua University, China, 1997
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- PhD, Mechanical Engineering, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, 2011
- MS, Mechanical Engineering, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, 2007
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- PhD, Mechanical and Industrial Engineering, University of Toronto, Canada, 2006
- MS, Mechanical Engineering, University of Science and Technology, Beijing, China, 2001
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- Regents' Medal for Excellence in Teaching, 2010
- Fellow, Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers, 1998
- PhD, University of Manitoba, Canada, 1975
- MS, University of Manitoba, Canada, 1972
- BS, Electrical Engineering, University of Alexandria, Egypt, 1969

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- PhD, Electrical Engineering, Chongqing University, China, 1994



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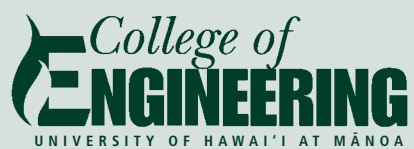


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- Fellow, American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics, 2011
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