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## EDUCATION

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**University of Connecticut** Storrs, CT, US  
*Ph.D. Candidate* *Aug. 2016 – Now (Graduate expected in May, 2023)*

**Beijing Jiaotong University** Beijing, China  
*Bachelor of Science* *Aug. 2012 – June 2016*

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE - ACADEMIC

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**Graduate Assistant (Research Assistant)** Aug. 2016 – Present  
*University of Connecticut* *Storrs, CT*

- Developing real-time heuristic and post-hoc machine learning/Deep Learning algorithms for atrial fibrillation (AF) detection using smartwatch (*Samsung Simband, Samsung Gear S3, Samsung Galaxy Watch, and Samsung Galaxy Watch 3*) photoplethysmography (PPG) data | *MATLAB, Python*
- Coordinating a clinical trial (ID: [NCT03761394](#)) funded by National Institute of Health (NIH) R01 grant (ID: [5R01HL137734-04](#)) using smartwatch for long-term AF monitoring with *University of Massachusetts Medical School (UMMC)*
- Improved automatic channel selection algorithm for multi-channel electrocardiogram (ECG) armband

**Graduate Assistant (Teaching Assistant)** Aug. 2016 – May. 2017  
*University of Connecticut* *Storrs, CT*

- BME4900: Biomedical Engineering Senior Design (Fall 2016)
- BME4500: Bioinstrumentation (Fall 2016)
- BME3900: Biomedical Engineering Junior Design (Spring 2017)

**Department Website Administrator** Aug. 2018 – Present  
*University of Connecticut* *Storrs, CT*

- Performed daily maintenance of department and lab website, collected news pictures, and edited video recordings of virtual open house | *WordPress, HTML/CSS*

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE - INDUSTRY

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**Algorithm Developer and Coordinator of Smartwatch Project** May 2019 – Present  
*University of Connecticut* *Storrs, CT, US*

- Involving in the storyboard design, user-interface design, and the design of smartwatch service program for modulated PPG sensor on Tizen watches (*Samsung Gear S3, Samsung Galaxy Watch, Samsung Galaxy Watch 3*) used in long-term (30-day) AF monitoring clinical trial (ID: [NCT03761394](#)) | *Tizen Studio, Android Studio*
- Communicating the user demand of UMMC team with our hardware engineer, software engineers, and user-interface designers
- Debugging the embedded algorithms on the watch for our AF monitoring algorithms with software engineer | *Git*
- Testing smartwatch and smartphone APPs for real-time watch-to-phone and phone-to-cloud data transmission and long-term wearing stability
- Organizing cloud storage of Linux server for transmitted smartphone data | *Unix*
- Organizing smartwatch and smartphones after experiments for UMMC

## PATENTS

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- Ki H. Chon, **Dong Han**, Syed Khairul Bashar, and Fahimeh Mohagheghian, Heart Condition Treatment and Analysis, *US Patent*, Patent Number: US20220022765A1, Application No.: US17364684, Filed Date: 06/30/2021, Issue Date: 01/27/2022.

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- [3] E. Y. Ding, D. Lessard, Z. Wang, E. Dickson, D. DiMezza, **D. Han**, F. Mohagheghian, K. H. Chon, D. D. McManus, “Accuracy, usability, and adherence of smartwatches for atrial fibrillation detection in older adults after stroke”, Under Preparation, Plan to Submit to Circulation (2022).
- [4] **D. Han**, S. K. Bashar, J. Lázaro, F. Mohagheghian, A. Peitzsch, N. Nishita, E. Ding, E. L. Dickson, D. DiMezza, J. Scott, C. Whitcomb, T. P. Fitzgibbons, D. D. McManus, K. H. Chon, “A Real-Time PPG Peak Detection Method for Accurate Determination of Heart Rate during Sinus Rhythm and Cardiac Arrhythmia”, *Biosensors* **12**, 82 (2022) 10.3390/bios12020082.
- [5] **D. Han**, C. Chaeho, J. Haewook, D. Eric, E. Dickson, D. DiMezza, F. Mohagheghian, A. Peitzsch, D. McManus, K. H. Chon, “Design and Implementation of Smartphone and Smartwatch Applications for Long-term Paroxysmal Atrial Fibrillation Monitoring after Stroke”, Under Preparation, Plan to Submit to JMIR mHealth and uHealth (2022).
- [6] F. Mohagheghian, **D. Han**, E. Y. Ding, E. Dickson, D. DiMezza, J. Scott, A. Peitzsch, J. Saczynski, M. Moonis, T. P. Fitzgibbons, B. Barton, K. H. Chon, D. D. McManus, “An Autoencoder Denoising Method on Smartwatch Photoplethysmograph Data for Accurate Atrial Fibrillation Detection”, Under Preparation (2022).
- [7] F. Mohagheghian, **D. Han**, E. Y. Ding, E. Dickson, D. DiMezza, J. Scott, A. Peitzsch, J. Saczynski, M. Moonis, T. P. Fitzgibbons, B. Barton, K. H. Chon, D. D. McManus, “Optimized Signal Quality Assessment for Photoplethysmogram Signals using Feature Selection”, Accepted by IEEE TBME (2022).
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- [13] **D. Han**, S. K. Bashar, F. Mohagheghian, E. Ding, C. Whitcomb, D. D. McManus, K. H. Chon, “Premature Atrial and Ventricular Contraction Detection using Photoplethysmographic Data from a Smartwatch”, *Sensors* **20**, 5683 (2020) 10.3390/s20195683.

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- [17] **D. Han**, F. Mohagheghian, A. Peitzsch, K. H. Chon, “Challenges of Atrial Fibrillation Detection Using Smartwatches”, *Conference IEEE BHI-BSN2021 IEEE-EMBS International Conference on Biomedical and Health Informatics (BHI’21) Jointly Organised with the 17th IEEE-EMBS International Conference on Wearable and Implantable Body Sensor Networks (BSN’21)* (July 2021).
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- [23] E. Ding, D. Liu, A. Soni, O. Adaramola, **D. Han**, S. K. Bashar, Y. Noh, K. H. Chon, D. D. McManus, “Impressions of Older Patients with Cardiovascular Diseases to Smart Devices for Heart Rhythm Monitoring”, *2017 IEEE/ACM International Conference on Connected Health: Applications, Systems and Engineering Technologies (CHASE)* (July 2017), pp. 270–271, 10.1109/CHASE.2017.97.

## PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP

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**Student Member:** Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers, IEEE (since 2016)

**Student Member:** IEEE Engineering in Medicine and Biology Society, EMBS (since 2016)

## PROGRAMMING SKILLS

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**Natively fluent:** MATLAB

**Con conversationally fluent:** Python, Git, L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X(with Overleaf)

**Tourist:** High Performance Computing (HPC), Java, Android Studio, Tizen Studio, C, C++, WordPress, HTML/CSS, Unix