

*Design and Control of ( $\mu$ )-Mechatronic Systems*

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## Research Interest

Mechatronic systems design and control, microsystems, robotics, compliant structures, trajectory planing, machine learning.

## Current position

PostDoctoral fellow in U2IS unit of ENSTA-Paris, supervised by David Filliat.  
*Decision making for autonomous vehicles using Deep reinforcement learning.*

## Education and diploma

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| 2013        | Ph.D. Diploma in <i>Automatic Control</i> from University of Franche-Comté, Besançon, FRANCE.<br>Defended on 8 <sup>th</sup> March, 2013.  |
| 2009        | Master diploma from University of Franche-Comté in <i>Mechatronics and Microsystems</i> .  |
| 2008        | Engineer diploma in <i>Mechatronics</i> from <b>ENSMM</b> (National Engineering Institute in Mechanics and Microtechnologies), Besançon, FRANCE.   |
| 2005 - 2008 | Student at ENSMM.  |
| 2002 - 2005 | Student at Lycée Victor Hugo, Caen, FRANCE. <i>Classe Préparatoire aux Grandes Écoles</i> : intensive preparation for the national competitive entrance examination to french engineering schools. |

## Professional Experience

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| February 2019 - today        | PostDoc at ENSTA Paris. <i>Analysys of deep reinforcement learning performances for autonomous vehicles decision making.</i>  |
| October 2018 - February 2019 | Self-employed legal status : Consultant in design and control of complex mechatronic systems.   |
| December 2017 - August 2018  | PostDoc at Ecole Nationale d'Ingénieurs de Saint-Étienne. <i>design of a new tool for early defect detection in leather process using image processing.</i>                 |
| May 2015 - August 2017       | PostDoc position in <b>SUTD</b> (Singapore University of Technology and Design). <i>Design optimization of variable stiffness actuator for lower limb prosthetics.</i>      |
| March 2014 - April 2015      | PostDoc position in AS2M dpt. of <b>FEMTO-ST</b> Institute. <i>Microfabricated multi-degree-of-freedom actuated and sensorized platform for nanoscale characterisation.</i> |
| March 2013 - February 2014   | PostDoc position in AS2M dpt. of FEMTO-ST Institute. <i>Modeling and control of a Scanning Thermal Microscopy (SThM) nanoprobe.</i>   |

October 2009 - March 2013

Ph.D Student position in microrobotics at FEMTO-ST Institute. *Design, Fabrication and Control of a planar, non-redundant MEMS digital microrobot.*  
Under the supervision of Philippe Lutz and Yassine Haddab.

November 2008 - May 2009

*7 month* - Master position at FEMTO-ST Institute. *Robotic Calibration of a Micromanipulation station using a microspectrometer.*

February 2008 - July 2008

*6 month* - Graduation project in Sato Laboratory of TDU (Tokyo Denki University), JAPAN. “*Vibration reduction of experimental model of pantograph support system using an impact damper*”.

September 2006 - February 2007

*5 month* - Training course at ABB in Paris. *I introduced the SolidWorks CAD software in the mechanical research consultancy.*

## Scientific Production

<i>International journal</i>	8 (TRO 2013, JMM 2015, PhysicaB 2015, JMR 2015)
<i>International conference</i>	3 (ICRA 2011, AIM 2014, ICRA 2017)
<i>Book chapters</i>	3 (Springer 2012, Hermes science 2013, Wiley & Son 2013)
<i>Patent</i>	1 (2011, international extension in 2012)

## Teaching Experience

Teaching assistant in first and second year at ENSMM (**190h**)

- Automatic control (practical work, Bac+3)
- Advanced Automatic Control (practical work, Bac+4)
- Introduction to microcontroller for automatic control (practical work, Bac+4)

Teaching assistant in 4th year at ENISE (**78h éq TD**)

- Introduction to automatic control process (Magistral course, Bac+4)
- Linear control (practical work, Bac+3, Bac+4)

Teaching assistant in 4th year at Telecom Paris (**13.5h**)

- Artificial Intelligence : Advanced machine learning (TP, Bac+5)

## Area of Expertise

### Technical Skills

Cleanroom microfabrication process

- silicon process (photolithography, metal sputtering, dry etching )
- PZT process (photolithography, metal sputtering, bonding, dry etching)

### Language

English    fluent  
Japanese    average skills  
Chinese    beginner  
French    native language

### Computer skills

Simulation     Octave/Matlab-Simulink, Scilab, Ansys, Mathematica, Maple  
 Programming   C/C++, Python, Java  
 CAD            SolidWorks, Catia, LayoutEditor  
 Other          L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X, GNU/Linux, UNIX shell scripts, Blender, Arduino, Raspberry Pi,  
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### Participation to scientific life

Conferences/Journals reviewing (ICRA,AIM,Micromachines,RCIM,BioRob)  
 Scientific event: *La nuit des chercheurs 2011*, scientific popularization on microrobotics.  
 radio interview / my thesis in 180s.  
 Design of web-site for MicroControl 2012 workshop .  
 Participating in organization of internatinal conference AIM2014 (Besançon).  
 Coordination of the automatic control part of Nanoheat project.

### Award

2<sup>nd</sup> place (ex æquo) **GDR-robotique PhD Thesis award (2013)**.

## Publications

### Journal Paper

- [J1] - D.J. Braun, **V. Chalvet**, T.-H. Chong, S.S. Apte and N. Hogan, "Variable Stiffness Spring Actuators for Low Energy Cost Human Augmentation" - *IEEE Transactions on Robotics (TRO)*, Vol. 35, No. 6, pp. 1435-1449, 2019.
- [J2] - D.J. Braun, **V. Chalvet**, and A. Dahiya, "Positive-Negative Stiffness Actuators" - *IEEE Transactions on Robotics (TRO)*, Vol. 35, No. 1, pp. 162-173, 2018.
- [J3] - **V. Chalvet** and D.J. Braun, "Algorithmic design of low power variable-stiffness mechanisms" - *IEEE Transactions on Robotics (TRO)*, Vol. 33, No. 6, pp. 1508-1515, 2017.
- [J4] - **V. Chalvet** et D.J. Braun, "Criterion for the design of low power variable stiffness mechanisms" - *IEEE Transactions on Robotics (TRO)*, Vol. 33, No. 4, pp. 1002-1010, 2017.
- [J5] - **V. Chalvet**, Y. Haddab and P. Lutz, "Trajectory planning for micromanipulation with a non redundant digital microrobot: shortest path algorithm optimization with a hypercube graph representation" - *ASME Journal of Mechanisms and Robotics*, Vol. 8, No. 2, pp. 021013, 2016.
- [J6] - **V. Chalvet**, D. Habineza, M. Rakotondrabe and C. Clévy, "Presentation and characterization of novel thick-film {PZT} microactuators" - *Physica B: Condensed Matter*, 2015.
- [J7] - A. Bienaimé, **V. Chalvet**, C. Clévy, L. Gauthier-Manuel, T. Baron and M. Rakotondrabe, "Static / dynamic trade-off performance of PZT thick film micro-actuators" - *Journal of Micromechanics and Microengineering (JMM)*, Vol. 25, No. 7, pp. 075017, 2015.
- [J8] - **V. Chalvet**, Y. Haddab and P. Lutz, "A microfabricated planar digital microrobot for precise positioning based on bistable modules" - *IEEE Transactions on Robotics (T-RO)*, Vol. 29, No. 3, pp. 641-649, 2013.

### Conference Paper

- [C1] - T.-H. Chong, **V. Chalvet** and D.J. Braun, "Analytical conditions for the design of variable stiffness mechanisms.", in *IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA)*, Singapore, May 2017.
- [C2] - H. Hussein, **V. Chalvet**, Y. Haddab, P. Lutz, P. Le Moal and G. Bourbon, "Design optimization of bistable modules electrothermally actuated for digital microrobotics.", *IEEE/ASME International Conference on Advanced Intelligent Mechatronics (AIM)*, Besançon, FR, July 2014, pp. 1273-1278.
- [C3] - **V. Chalvet**, A. Zarzycki, Y. Haddab and P. Lutz, "Digital microrobotics based on bistable modules: design of a non-redundant digital micropositioning robot", in *IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA)*, Shanghai, ZH, May 2011, pp. 3628-3633.

### Book Chapters

- [BC1] - Y. Haddab, **V. Chalvet** and M. Rakotondrabe, "Approches de commande en boucle ouverte pour les micro-manipulateurs flexibles à base de matériaux actifs" in "Robotique Flexible" - Edited by Mathieu Grossard, Nicolas Chaillet and Stéphane Régnier, Hermes Science, ISBN 9782746245099, June 2013.
- [BC2] - Y. Haddab, **V. Chalvet** and M. Rakotondrabe "Open-Loop Control Approaches to Compliant Micromanipulators", "in Flexible Robotics" (eds M. Grossard, N. Chaillet and S. Régnier) - John Wiley & Sons, Inc., Hoboken, NJ USA. doi: 10.1002/9781118572016.ch4, August 2013.
- [BC3] - Y. Haddab, **V. Chalvet**, Q. Chen and P. Lutz, "Digital Microrobotics using MEMS technology" in "Advanced Mechatronics and MEMS Devices", Springer, ISBN 978-1-4419-9984-9, August 2012.

### Patent

- [P1] - **V. Chalvet**, Y. Haddab, A. Zarzycki and P. Lutz, "Microrobot, and associated control method, simulation method, and computer programs", WO/2012/104546 - Filing Date: January 2012.