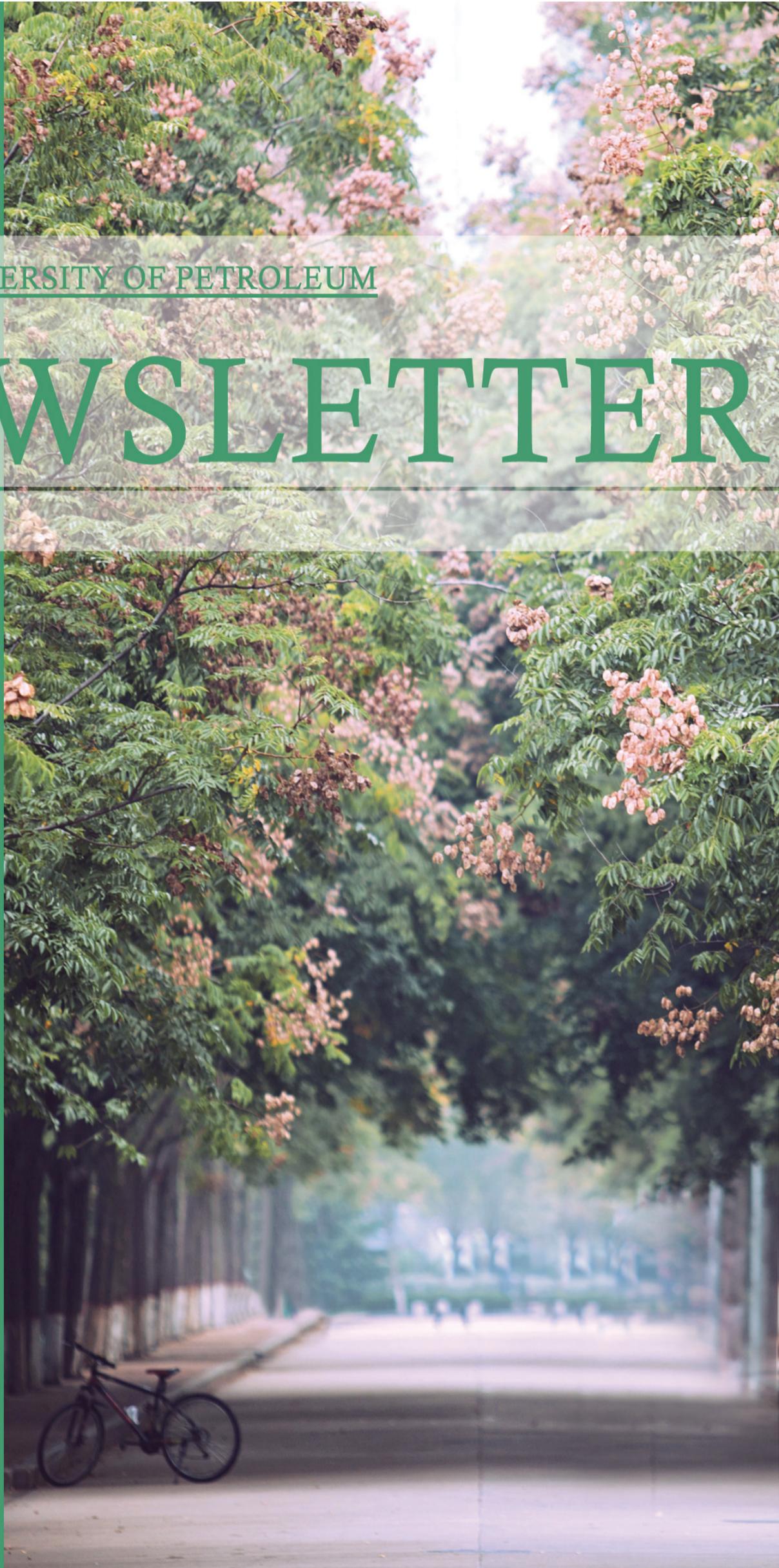




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2016 Graduation Ceremony Held: Welcome A Fresh Start

On 27, June, 2016 graduation ceremony was held in Qingdao campus. More than 6300 graduates attended the ceremony. They were experiencing the big moment of their life. The representatives of alumni, parents, teachers were also invited to participate in.



President Shan Honghong showed congratulations to the graduates and gave best wishes to their new future. She also encouraged them to make a more meaningful life. As she said, being responsible, creative and pragmatic will be the key points to be different and successful.



On behalf of all teachers, Li Gensheng, the academician of Chinese Academy of Engineering, shared his experience in the university and hoped that the graduates work hard and make contribution to the development of the university.



BIG EVENTS



2016 Sports Meeting Held

On May 20, 2016 Sports Meeting of the university kicked off. Nearly 1,500 faculties and students participated the games. They enjoyed the fun of doing sports. On the ceremony, the Tai Chi performance, yoga show, dance given by women teachers were grand and fantastic.



The Symphony Concert: Ode To Huang He

On June 5, the Symphony Concert "Ode To Huang He" was successfully held in the gymnasium of the university. More than 4,000 students and faculties watched the performance. The concert was given by Shenghua Symphony Orchestra of China University of Petroleum. About 180 students and teachers from College of Arts participated the performance.

The performance expressed love to our motherland and our country. The classical songs, such as Me and My Country, I Love You China, recalled our memory of the past and the history of the country.

The audience was deeply moved by the chorus "Huang He" which honored the brave and firm spirit of Chinese people. It was composed by Xian Xinghai, one of the most famous composer and pianist in China.

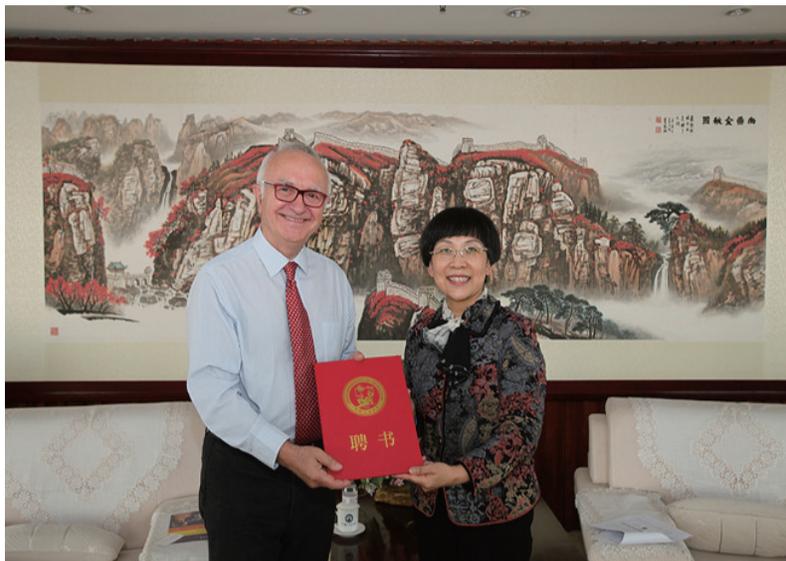
In recent years, Shenghua Symphony Orchestra of China University of Petroleum has become more well-known. It is an important part of the building of "an art campus". It has given many performances which has greatly inspired the interest of art among students and improved their ability of the artistic appreciation.



COOPERATION

Jacek M. Zurada Made Visit to UPC

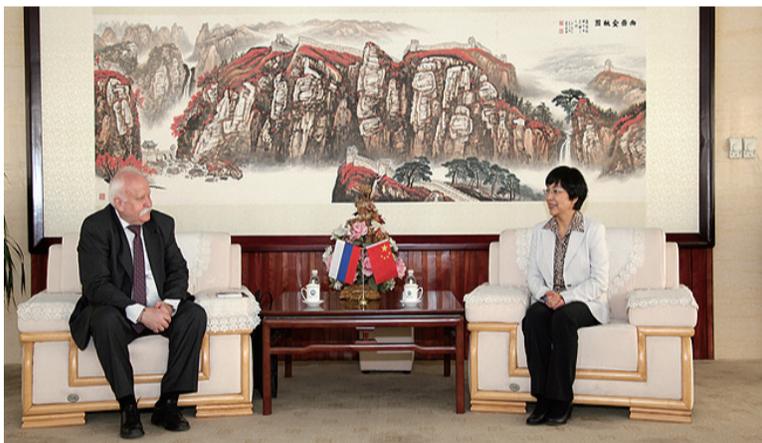
On May 16, Jacek M. Zurada, professor of University of Louisville, came to visit UPC. He is also the visiting professor of the university and will do a fulltime work in the following month.



President Shan Honghong showed thanks to his efforts in the two sides' cooperation and assistance in the professional growth of young teachers. On the meeting, he was hired as the distinguished professor of UPC.

Partnerships with Russian and Canadian Universities Strengthened

On April 8, the delegations from Gubkin Russian State University of Oil and Gas and University Of Calgary made visits to UPC. President Shan Honghong and vice president Zha Ming welcomed the guests and held talks with them. Heads from School of Geoscience, College of Pipeline and Civil Engineering, College of Computer and Communication, College of Science attended the meetings.



President Shan Honghong talked with Максименко Александр Фёдорович, vice-president of Gubkin Russian State University of Oil and Gas



Vice-president Zha Ming talked with Lesley Rigg, dean of College of Science, University Of Calgary

University Of Calgary and UPC have built relationship since 2014. Training programs for students of science, geoscience and petroleum engineering have been conducted. Twenty CSC (China Scholarship Council)-funded undergraduates have been sent to the university and in the year of 2016, ten students will go there for study and exchange.

Prof. Jacek M. Zurada hoped the two universities would carry forward more exchange in faculty visiting and research cooperation.

Jacek M. Zurada is Professor of Electrical and Computer Engineering at the University of Louisville. He has been selected as the Academician of Polish Academy of Sciences and IEEE Life Fellow. In 2003, he was conferred the Title of Professor by the President of Poland. He is invited as the Distinguished Professor of UPC and also the doctoral supervisor of College of Pipeline and Civil Engineering. He has published over 400 journal and conference papers in the areas of neural networks, computational intelligence, data mining, image processing and VLSI circuits.

Prof. Roland N. Horne and Prof. Shiyi Zheng Visited UPC

Recently, Prof. Roland N. Horne from Stanford University and Prof. Shiyi Zheng from London South Bank University paid visits to the university. They held talks with president Shan Honghong. Besides, Roland N. Horne was invited to be an honorary professor and Prof. Zheng to be a visiting professor of the university.



Two professors visited the Center of Oil and Gas Flow Through Porous Media and were highly impressed by the center in terms of research work on simulation of multiscale flow of unconventional oil and gas, simulation of flow through carbonate rocks, well testing interpretation, and laboratory construction, and expressed the desire of further cooperation.

Prof. Roland N. Horne now works in Department of Energy Resources Engineering, School of Geoscience, Stanford University. He mainly concentrates on the research of geothermal, permeability, wettability and nanomaterials. Prof. Shiyi Zheng is the head of Department of Petroleum Engineering, London South Bank University. His main research interests are well test, including geological interpretation of well test analysis, uncertainty in well test and core permeability analysis, and reservoir productivity evaluation and forecast through well testing, etc.

The 4th CCPS China Conference on Process Safety Held

Recently, the 4th CCPS China Conference on Process Safety was held in Qingdao. It was themed with Chemical Process Safety in China and co-hosted by China University of Petroleum, China Chemical Safety Association, and AIChE-CCPS. This conference aimed to bring together professionals, government, and academics in China and internationally to share advancements in process safety and improve the process safety performance in China.



On the conference, professors on process safety from China, USA, South Korea, Norway, Singapore, and Pakistan, gave presentation on the development of process safety. 14 main speeches and 28 branch speeches were conducted, around the topics of Chemical PSM development in China and its outlook, International Perspectives on Process Safety, Implementation of Chemical PSM Elements both in China and Other Countries, Regulations, Codes and Standards on Process Safety, Process Safety Technology, Consequence/Risk Evaluation Method, Emergency Response and Planning, Incident Investigation and Les-

sons Sharing, Environmental Risk Assessments of Chemical Industry and LOPA&SIL.



Professor Zhao Dongfeng made the presentation of Thoughts Concerning the Sustainable Development of Urban Chemical Plants.

Professor Zhao Dongfeng, the director of Center for Safety, Environmental & Energy Conservation, made the presentation of Thoughts Concerning the Sustainable Development of Urban Chemical Plants on the conference. He explained the hot topics of Chemical industry encircle city and City encircle chemical industry. As he pointed out, the disordered plannings are the root cause of the current dilemma. He also introduced the idea that decisions-making should be evaluated based on "Risk-Cost" and The comprehensive evaluation methods, risk assessment standard and recommended standard are about to develop.

2016 AIChE Spring Meeting&12th Global Congress on Process Safety

On April 10-14, 2016 AIChE Spring Meeting&12th Global Congress on Process Safety was held in Houston, USA. Over 2,000 experts and scholars in the area of process safety all over the world attended the conference. During the conference, the China part was co-hosted by Center of Safety, Environmental Protection and Energy Saving Technologies, UPC and China Chemical Safety Association.



Global Congress on Process Safety, organized by CCPS, is a yearly conference for practicing chemical engineers. Specialists of process safety come together to exchange and share new ideas and research achievements of the industry. This year, the topics were mainly around Big Data Analytics, Upstream Engineering and Flow Assurance, Gas Utilization, Emerging Technologies in Clean Energy.

The theme of China part was Process Safety Activities in China. In the meeting, professors from UPC, China Chemical Safety Association and National Yunlin University of Science and Technology in Taiwan, gave lectures on Process Safety Management, HSE System and Safety Planning, which has displayed the academic achievement on process safety in recent years in China to the whole world.

UPC Students Took Meritorious Winner Places in MCM

Recently, the result of 2016 Mathematical Contest in Modeling was released. Four teams from UPC got the Meritorious Winner places and 34 teams Honorable Mention places. This year, 2446 teams from a dozen countries were attracted to participated the contest.

Mathematical Contest in Modeling (MCM) is an international contest for high school students and college undergraduates in USA and sponsored by SIAM, the NSA, and INFORMS. It is held concurrently with Interdisciplinary Contesting in Modeling (ICM). It challenges the ability to solve a real world math problem, emphasizing the teamwork, creativity and communication.

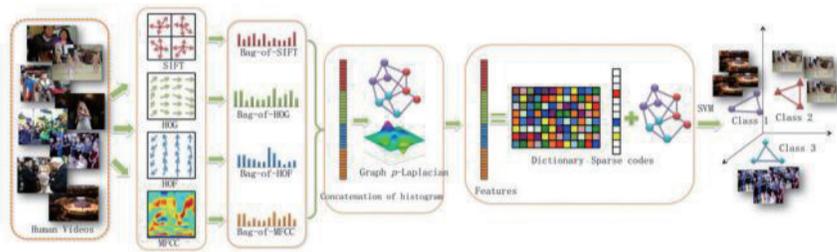
The following are Meritorious Winners:

Team Member	College	Topic	Advisor
Hong Liling, Jiang Cheng, Chen Zhao	College of Science	Solve Water scarcity? Use our model!	Chen Hua
Zhang Xiaowen, Xue Xiaoming, Li Peng	College of Petroleum Engineering	Water War	Wang Ziting
Liu Zijian, Wang Xiongzhi, Ma Yue	College of Science	A Hot Bath	Shi Rengang
Sheng Hailong, Deng Chenqian, Zhang Mengyao	College of Science	A Hot Bath	Yin Haiqing

p-Laplacian Regularized Sparse Coding for Human Activity Recognition

Recently, the group of mode recognition and intelligent information processing from College of Information and Control Engineering has new finding on the research of p-Laplacian Regularized sparse coding. The paper p-Laplacian Regularized Sparse Coding for Human Activity Recognition has been published on IEEE Transactions on Industrial Electronics. The research has been a co-work by the researchers from China University of Petroleum and University of Technology Sydney.

With the development of portable intelligent equipments and network technology, tera-scale pictures and Videos have been put online everyday. The artificial classification of those data is time-consuming and impossible. Under such context, the automatic analyzing, processing and classifying technology is eagerly needed. The group proposed a generalized version of Laplacian regularized sparse coding for human activity recognition called p-Laplacian regularized sparse coding (pLSC). The p-Laplacian is a nonlinear generalization of standard graph Laplacian and has tighter isoperimetric inequality. As a result, pLSC provided superior theoretical evidence than standard Laplacian regularized sparse coding with a proper p. It also provided a fast iterative shrinkage-thresholding algorithm for the optimization of pLSC. the sparse codes learned by the pLSC algorithm was input into support vector machines and conduct extensive experiments on the unstructured social activity attribute dataset and human motion database (HMDB51) for human activity recognition. the results showed that the proposed pLSC algorithm outperforms the manifold regularized sparse coding algorithms including the standard Laplacian regularized sparse coding algorithm with a proper p.



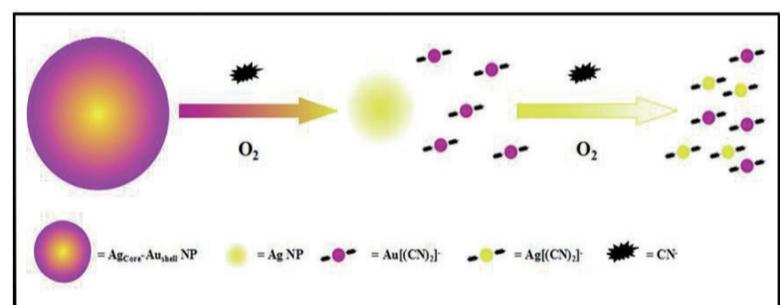
Framework of human activity recognition. First, extracting the representative features of human activity including SIFT, STIP, and MFCC. Then, concatenating the histograms formed by bags of each feature. Third, learning the sparse codes of each sample and the corresponding dictionary simultaneously by the pLSC algorithm. Finally, inputting the learned sparse codes into classifiers, i.e., SVMs to conduct human activity recognition.

In recent years, the group of mode recognition and intelligent information processing has made big progresses on the research of multimedia computing, mode recognition and intelligent information processing. The findings have been published on IEEE Trans. on Image Processing, IEEE Trans. on Industrial Electronics, IEEE Trans. on Multimedia, Pattern Recognition, Computer Vision and Image Understanding. Learn more about the paper: <http://ieeexplore.ieee.org/stamp/stamp.jsp?tp=&arnumber=7448894>

Method for Cyanide Detection : Using Ag@Au Core-shell Nanoparticles

Recently, the group of Intelligent Information Processing and Computing, College of Computer and Communication Engineering, has new findings on the research of spiking neural P systems. The paper On the Computational Power of Spiking Neural P Systems with Self-Organization was published on Scientific Reports. The research was based on the co-work of researchers of UPC and Swinburne University of Technology. Wang Xun, the doctoral candidate of UPC is the first author.

Neural-like computing models are versatile computing mechanisms in the field of artificial intelligence. Spiking neural P systems (SN P systems for short) are one of the recently developed spiking neural network models inspired by the way neurons communicate. The communications among neurons are essentially achieved by spikes, i. e. short electrical pulses. In terms of motivation, SN P systems fall into the third generation of neural network models. In the paper, a novel variant of SN P systems, namely SN P systems with self-organization, is introduced, and the computational power of the system



is investigated and evaluated. It is proved that SN P systems with self-organization are capable of computing and accept the family of sets of Turing computable natural numbers. Moreover, with 87 neurons the system can compute any Turing computable recursive function, thus achieves Turing universality. These results demonstrate promising initiatives to solve an open problem arisen by Gh P un.

The research has received high recognition from the peers. It has been listed among 2016 Best Theoretical Achievement by the International Membrane Computing Society.

SN P Systems with Self-organization: Computing and Accepting Any Set of Turing Computable Natural Numbers

Recently, the paper *A convenient colorimetric method for sensitive and specific detection of cyanide using Ag@Au core-shell nanoparticles* by Li Yiran, an undergraduate from College of Science was published by Sensors and Actuators B: Chemical. Ag@Au core-shell NPs are synthesized and used as probes for cyanide sensing. Ag@Au core-shell NPs before and after cyanide treatment are characterized with UV-vis spectroscopy, transmission electron microscopy and electrospray ionization time-of-flight mass spectrometry.

In fact, the assay is very convenient without relying on complicated organic synthesis and sophisticated equipment, but allows a high sensitivity with a LOD of 0.16 μM , which is much lower than the maximum allowable concentration of cyanide (1.9 μM) in drinking water regulated by WHO. More importantly, it exhibits excellent selectivity towards cyanide over other common anions and cations, which is due to the fact that Au is inert and stable. With the aid of PS 40 as a stabilizer, the PS 40-Au NPs were able to detect cyanide in sewage water samples with complex matrices. These striking properties make the proposed assay suitable for the rapid and reliable on-site monitoring of cyanide concentration in water samples, which is beneficial for immediate evaluation of unexpected risk and danger. Learn More about the assay <http://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S0925400516300223>

Prof. Tang Xiaoming Awarded for Distinguished Technical Achievement by SPWLA

Recently, SPWLA 57th Annual Symposium was held in Reykjavik, Iceland. Prof. Tang Xiaoming, from School of Geoscience participated the symposium and received the award of Distinguished Technical Achievement.

Prof. Tang has concentrated his research on well log analysis for over thirty years. He pioneered LWD shear measurement. In the advent of LWD development, the industry needed a proper technology to measure formation shear velocity in LWD and the dipole, as used in wireline logging, was taken for granted to do the measurement. Through theoretical analyses and field tests, Dr. Tang, together with his team, revealed that quadrupole, instead of dipole, is a better technology. This work laid the foundation for today's LWD quadrupole shear technology and won the 2002 SPWLA symposium best paper award.

Prof. Tang invented the dipole shear-wave imaging technology. He discovered that the di-

pole acoustic data, as commonly used for shear-wave logging, contain shear-wave reflections originating in tens of or even over 100 feet away from a wellbore. Through his ground-breaking theoretical analysis and processing method development, this new imaging technology can now delineate geological structures on the reservoir scale more than 100 feet away from borehole where neither traditional well logging techniques can reach nor seismic data can 'see' clearly.

SPWLA (The Society of Petrophysicists and Well Log Analysts) is a nonprofit corporation dedicated to the advancement of the science of petrophysics and formation evaluation, through well logging and other formation evaluation techniques and to the application of these techniques to the exploitation of gas, oil and other minerals. Founded in 1959, SPWLA provides information services to scientists in the petroleum and mineral industries, serves



serves as a voice of shared interests in the petrophysical education, and strives to increase the awareness of the role petrophysics has in the Oil and Gas Industry and the scientific community.

Prof. Liu Yunqi Listed among ShanghaiRanking's Global Ranking of Academic Subjects 2016

Recently, ShanghaiRanking Consultancy released ShanghaiRanking's Global Ranking of Academic Subjects 2016. It is based on Scopus database and contains 7 engineering subjects, Chemical Engineering, Civil Engineering, Electrical & Electronic Engineering, Energy Science & Engineering, Environmental Science & Engineering, Materials Science & Engineering, and Mechanical Engineering. In the ranking of materials science & engineering, prof. Liu Yunqi from College of Chemical Engineering was on the list.



Prof. Liu is the deputy director of the National key Laboratory of Heavy Oil. He has focused his research on the catalytic material oil and catalyst of oil refining chemical engineering and fine chemical engineering. He is also invited as reviewer of 20 international journals, such as Nano Energy, Journal of Catalysis, ACS Catalysis, Journal of Materials Chemistry A, ACS Applied Materials & Interfaces. In recent years, he has published more than 200 papers and 4 books.

ShanghaiRanking Consultancy is a fully independent organization on higher education information and not legally subordinated to any universities or government agencies. It began to publish Academic Ranking of World Universities (ARWU) by academic subjects since 2009. See more information about the ranking: <http://www.shanghairanking.com/ShanghaiRanking-Global-Ranking-of-Academic-Subjects-2016-Press-Release.html>

Three Professors selected as Elsevier Most Cited Chinese Researchers

On January 26, Elsevier released the list of 2015 Most Cited Chinese Researchers. The list covered 1744 Chinese scholars of high international influence. Three professors of UPC were on the list, Jiang Daqing (professor, Mathematics, School of Science), Sun Daofeng (professor, Physics and Astronomy, School of Science), Dang Hongyue (professor, Immunology and Microbiology, School of Chemical Engineering).

In recent years, China has been playing an increasingly important role in the international research work. More and more outstanding researchers are making their global effect. 2015 Elsevier Most Cited Chinese Researchers was based on its database Scopus, which is the largest abstract and citation database of peer-reviewed literature, covering scientific journals, books and conference proceedings. The database has a comprehensive overview of the world's research output in the fields of science, technology, medicine, social sciences, and arts and humanities.

Learn more about 2015 Most Cited Chinese Researchers: <http://china.elsevier.com/elsevierdnn/ch>



The World Book Day falls on April 23 every year. It's a yearly event to promote reading, publishing and copyright. In China, the national reading project has been carried forward in recent years. It is aimed to promote reading on a national scale, especially in families, communities and schools.

Xiong Lijie: A Journey To The World With Chinese

Xiong Lijie, a postgraduate student from College of Arts of UPC, is one of the volunteer Chinese teachers of Confucius Institute of Auckland. She has taken the job since this January in ACG Strathallan College. Last month, Confucius Class was opened here and Chinese teaching, cultural exchange will be carried out. The experience has given her much more than she could imagine.



In her class, she has to learn to deal with different institutions. Her students are from 5 to 18 years old and from different backgrounds. It's easy for those with Chinese background. But foreign students find it hard to learn Chinese. Xiong Lijie finds a good way to help them. She divides them into partners so that foreign students

have more chances to speak Chinese. She also tries her best to make her class interesting through plays and activities. Through teaching, she also learns a lot about different teaching methods and ideas. She now loves the job of teaching.

The life in a distant country must be difficult. She has to live on herself. After class, she would talk with teachers there. Not only her

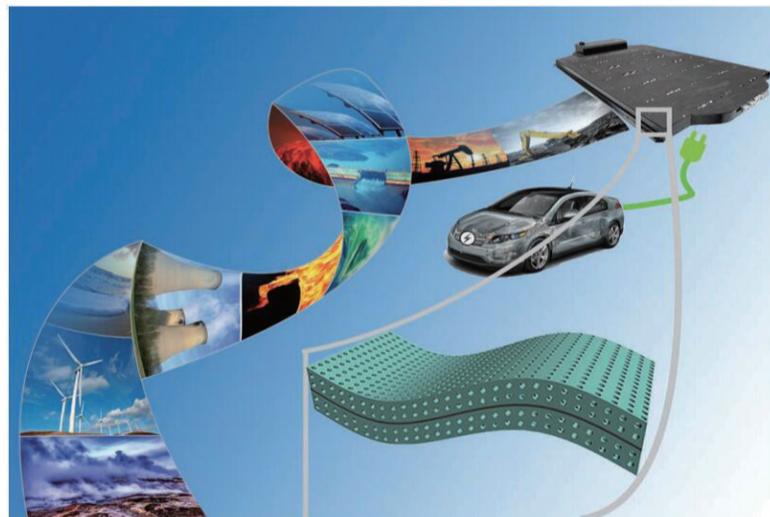


English is improved, she also knows more about their culture and custom. Besides, she falls in love with hiking.

As she said, she wants more people there to know Chinese and China. She will keep on her work and make a more meaningful and unforgettable journey.

Postgraduate Zhang Yu has Cover Paper on Nanoscale

Recently, the research finding by Zhan Yu, a postgraduate student from College of Science was published by Nanoscale as the cover paper Sandwich-like nitrogen-doped porous carbon/graphene nanoflakes with high-rate capacitive performance.



Sandwich-like nitrogen-doped porous carbon/graphene nanoflakes were rationally designed and synthesized by using in situ polymerization of pyrrole on the surface of GO followed by KOH activation. The high specific surface area, short ion diffusion path and high conductivity make NPCFs-2 exhibit enhanced supercapacitive performance, such as high specific capacitance, outstanding rate capability, and excellent cycling stability. Besides, this kind of NPCF can also be a promising electrode material in Li-ion or Na-ion batteries, a catalyst for the hydrogen evolution reaction, and a component for other clean energy storage devices.

Nanoscale is a peer-reviewed scientific journal and mainly focuses on experimental and theoretical research in the field of nanotechnology and nanoscience. It is published by the Royal Society of Chemistry. According to the Journal Citation Reports, the journal has a 2014 impact factor of 7.394

Learn more about his paper <http://pubs.rsc.org/en/content/article-landing/2016/nr/c5nr05151g#!divAbstract>

Wang Yue: Building The First Bird's Nest Library in Qingdao

Recently, Wang Yue, an undergraduate student from College of Mechanical and Electronic Engineering, is becoming famous in and outside the campus. He has been award as The Good Citizen by the local district for his participation in and contribution to the community cultural building of the local district.

In 2014, he voluntarily started the bird's nest library project, which has launched the first bird's nest library in Qingdao. Through the little box, students can borrow away and put in the books he likes at any time. It's free and open. Not only in campus, the library was also introduced to the surrounding communities. People can read and exchange more books. The project has been well received and is attracting more and more students and local people.

Since he entered the university, Wang Yue has taken an active part in voluntary activities, such as supporting education, charity selling and competition services. He likes to work with people and



More and more bird's nest libraries are built in the campus which has given students more access to books.

help people who are in need. He is always believing that the volunteering spirit will change the life and make the society better. In the future, he will keep on the road and do more volunteering work.

ACTIVITY

SICA: To Express and Share Your Ideas

On May 29, 2016, 2016 SICA (Students Ideas Creative Attempt)-Annual StudentX Talks was held successfully in Yifu Building. The event was organized by UPC International Office, receiving students' positive participation and great efforts of SICA members.

After two rounds of selections, 17 students, including undergraduates, postgraduates and foreign students were chosen from 82 applicators to stand out on the stage, shared their unique ideas, special experiences and innovative thinking involving Science & Technology, Society & Inspiration, Life & Experience, Culture & Education. After each group's speech, the invited foreign and Chinese professors and guests gave their comments and asked their interested questions to the speakers.

17 students' ideas sharing aroused the strong resonance and positive feedback of the audiences present at the event and intrigued the talks and thinking about some unique ideas. Professors and students were surprised by the speakers' ideas and thoughts. Many of the students were eager to be the next participant to share their own creative ideas. Some foreign experts gave their pertinent suggestion to improve and perfect each aspects of the talks.

In order to improve our students' communication skills and creative thinking to meet the requirements of international exchange, in 2013, the International Office of UPC proposed and set up SICA, a platform for UPC Students to express their unique ideas in English. Over the past years, the stage has witnessed nearly 100 speakers, including undergraduates, postgraduates, foreign students and university staffs. SICA has already held about 50 times showcasings on every Sunday evening. SICA is not only a platform for students to practice their English, but also to share their special ideas and experiences usually in the form of short, powerful English talks.



The Campus Culture and Arts Festival Kicked Off



On April, 23th, the Lu Theatre of Shandong Province was invited to give a Luju show in the campus, which started the arts festival of the university this year. Luju(Lu opera) is a traditional opera in China and has been listed among the national intangible cultural heritage. It originated from Shandong Province and is popular among people there. It is featured with rich language and beautiful rythem.

Every year, the university would hold the culture and arts festival for students. Various forms of traditional arts will be performed in the campus. It usually lasts one month. During the festival this year, faculties and students will appreciate the authentic cultural arts like Beijing Opera, drama, Painting and Calligraphy Exhibitions.



ACTIVITY

The Day for Girls: To Be A Beautiful and Confident 'She'

Girls' Day, referred as the day of smile, is a traditional festival for girls in UPC and kicks off around March,8 every year which is celebrated as Women's Day. In recent days, the girls will be doted, receiving presents and love from the boys. The female teachers are also showed respect from their male colleagues.

The festival, originated from the year of 2000, has become a typical activity which helps the growth of female students. During the festival, there are lots of activities for girls. Girls who are popular among students are regarded as Stars of Smile.



To Keep Fit: Go out for Sports!

In recent years, to meet the challenge of the popularity of internet and electronic products, the government has been promoting outdoor activities in schools and universities, to encourage students to go out of classes or dormitories and do sports to keep healthy mentally and physically. In UPC, there is a dormitory, dom 2-125 which has followed the proposal and is well-known as 'the dormitory of sports'.

There are four girls in the dom. As pe students, they take intensive drills every day. They are also the main forces of Beach Volleyball Team of the university and have won a number of honors in the national games. In addition, they have gained high achievements in study. For their outstanding performance, the dom has been honored as the Star of Sports of Chinese College Students.



The university has been attaching great importance to the outside activities of students. It offers rich sports apparatus and fields to attract more students to take part in physical activities. With a sound body, students will have more energy to put in study and life.

