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Academic Appointments

Assistant Professor — Jul. 2017 - Present
Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering
University of California San Diego, La Jolla, CA

Postdoctoral Researcher — Sep. 2015 - Jun. 2017
Department of Mechanical Engineering and Applied Mechanics
University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA
Advisors: Vijay Kumar and George J. Pappas

Education

Ph.D., Electrical and Systems Engineering — Dec. 2015
University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA
Thesis: *Active Information Acquisition with Mobile Robots*
Advisors: George J. Pappas and Kostas Daniilidis
Joseph and Rosaline Wolf Best Dissertation Award

M.S., Electrical Engineering — Aug. 2012
University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA

B.S., Electrical Engineering — May 2008
Trinity College, Hartford, CT

Research Interests

- **Relevant fields**: robotics, machine learning, control theory, optimization, computer vision
- simultaneous localization and mapping (SLAM); visual-inertial odometry (VIO); Bayesian inference; object pose, shape, and motion estimation; distributed Bayesian inference
- active perception; active learning; optimal control; reinforcement learning; distributed motion planning; multi-agent reinforcement learning; inverse reinforcement learning; system identification; safe control; active information acquisition using autonomous ground and aerial mobile robots

Teaching Experience

- **Instructor**, ECE276B: Planning and Learning in Robotics, UC San Diego — Spring 2024
- **Instructor**, ECE276A: Sensing and Estimation in Robotics, UC San Diego — Winter 2024
- **Instructor**, ECE171A: Linear Control System Theory, UC San Diego — Fall 2023
- **Instructor**, ECE276B: Planning and Learning in Robotics, UC San Diego — Spring 2023
- **Instructor**, ECE276A: Sensing and Estimation in Robotics, UC San Diego — Winter 2023
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- **Instructor**, ECE276B: Planning and Learning in Robotics, UC San Diego — Spring 2022
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- **Instructor**, ECE171A: Linear Control System Theory, UC San Diego   Fall 2021
- **Instructor**, ECE276B: Planning and Learning in Robotics, UC San Diego   Spring 2021
- **Instructor**, ECE276A: Sensing and Estimation in Robotics, UC San Diego   Winter 2021
- **Instructor**, ECE276B: Planning and Learning in Robotics, UC San Diego   Spring 2020
- **Instructor**, ECE276A: Sensing and Estimation in Robotics, UC San Diego   Winter 2020
- **Instructor**, ECE276B: Planning and Learning in Robotics, UC San Diego   Spring 2019
- **Instructor**, ECE276A: Sensing and Estimation in Robotics, UC San Diego   Winter 2019
- **Instructor**, ECE276B: Planning and Learning in Robotics, UC San Diego   Winter 2018
- **Instructor**, ECE276A: Sensing and Estimation in Robotics, UC San Diego   Fall 2017
- **Instructor**, ESE650: Learning in Robotics, University of Pennsylvania   Spring 2017
- **Guest Lecturer**, ESE617: Nonlinear Systems and Control, University of Pennsylvania   Fall 2015
- **Guest Lecturer**, ESE500: Linear Systems Theory, University of Pennsylvania   Fall 2011
- **Teaching Assistant**, ESE500: Linear Systems Theory, University of Pennsylvania Fall 2010, Fall 2011
- **Teaching Assistant**, Calculus I, Trinity College, Hartford, CT   Fall 2006, Fall 2007
- **Teaching Assistant**, Calculus II, Trinity College, Hartford, CT   Spring 2006, Spring 2007
- **Teaching Assistant**, Intro to Computer Science, Trinity College, Hartford, CT   Fall 2005

Honors & Awards

- **IEEE RAS Early Academic Career Award in Robotics and Automation**   2023
  Awarded by the IEEE Robotics and Automation Society (RAS)
- **NSF Faculty Early Career Development (CAREER) Award**   2021
  Awarded by the National Science Foundation (NSF)
- **Best Poster Award**, UC San Diego, Research Expo   2019
- **Best Graduate Teacher Award**, University of California, San Diego   2018
  Awarded by the Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering
- **Best Conference Paper Award**   2017
  Awarded at the IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA)
  for the paper "Probabilistic Data Association for Semantic SLAM"
- **Joseph and Rosaline Wolf Best Ph.D. Dissertation Award**, University of Pennsylvania   2015
  Awarded by the School of Engineering and Applied Science
- **Phi Beta Kappa Society**   2008
- **President's Fellow**, Trinity College, Hartford, CT   2007 - 2008
  Awarded for outstanding work in the Engineering major
- **Thomas Holland Scholarship**, Trinity College, Hartford, CT   2006 - 2008
  Awarded for attaining the highest rank in the junior and senior classes
- **Phi Gamma Delta Teaching Fellowship**, Trinity College, Hartford, CT   2006, 2007
  Awarded for aiding the Department of Mathematics in its instructional endeavors

Journal Articles

J27. Q. Feng and N. Atanasov, "TerrainMesh: Metric-Semantic Terrain Reconstruction from Aerial Images Using Joint 2D-3D Learning," *IEEE Transactions on Robotics (T-RO)*, vol. 40, pp. 1457–1475, 2024

J26. P. Mestres, K. Long, N. Atanasov, and J. Cortés, "Feasibility Analysis and Regularity Characterization of Distributionally Robust Safe Stabilizing Controllers," *IEEE Control Systems Letters (L-CSS)*, vol. 8, pp. 91–96, 2024

J25. T. Wang, V. Dhiman, and N. Atanasov, "Inverse Reinforcement Learning for Autonomous Navigation via Differentiable Semantic Mapping and Planning," *Autonomous Robots*, vol. 47, pp. 809–830, 2023

J24. Z. Li and N. Atanasov, "Governor-parameterized barrier function for safe output tracking with locally sensed constraints," *Automatica*, vol. 152, p. 110996, 2023

J23. J. A. Placed, J. Strader, H. Carrillo, N. Atanasov, V. Indelman, L. Carlone, and J. A. Castellanos, "A survey on active simultaneous localization and mapping: State of the art and new frontiers," *IEEE*

Transactions on Robotics (T-RO), vol. 39, no. 3, pp. 1686–1705, 2023

J22. A. Asgharivaskasi and N. Atanasov, "Semantic octree mapping and shannon mutual information computation for robot exploration," *IEEE Transactions on Robotics (T-RO)*, vol. 39, no. 3, pp. 1910–1928, 2023

J21. X. Cai, B. Schlotfeldt, K. Khosoussi, N. Atanasov, G. J. Pappas, and J. P. How, "Energy-aware, collision-free information gathering for heterogeneous robot teams," *IEEE Transactions on Robotics (T-RO)*, vol. 39, no. 4, pp. 2585–2602, 2023

J20. V. Dhiman, M. J. Khojasteh, M. Franceschetti, and N. Atanasov, "Control Barriers in Bayesian Learning of System Dynamics," *IEEE Transactions on Automatic Control (TAC)*, vol. 68, no. 1, pp. 214–229, 2023

J19. Y. Yi, S. Koga, B. Gavrea, and N. Atanasov, "Control synthesis for stability and safety by differential complementarity problem," *IEEE Control Systems Letters (L-CSS)*, vol. 7, pp. 895–900, 2023

J18. Z. Li, T. Duong, and N. Atanasov, "Robust and Safe Autonomous Navigation for Systems with Learned SE(3) Hamiltonian Dynamics," *IEEE Open Journal of Control Systems (OJCSYS)*, vol. 1, pp. 164–179, 2022

J17. M. Ostertag, N. Atanasov, and T. Rosing, "Trajectory Planning and Optimization for Minimizing Uncertainty in Persistent Monitoring Applications," *Springer Journal of Intelligent and Robotic Systems*, vol. 106, no. 2, 2022

J16. T. Duong, M. Yip, and N. Atanasov, "Autonomous Navigation in Unknown Environments with Sparse Bayesian Kernel-based Occupancy Mapping," *IEEE Transactions on Robotics (T-RO)*, vol. 38, no. 6, pp. 3694–3712, 2022

J15. K. Long, V. Dhiman, M. Leok, J. Cortés, and N. Atanasov, "Safe Control Synthesis With Uncertain Dynamics and Constraints," *IEEE Robotics and Automation Letters (RA-L)*, vol. 7, no. 3, pp. 7295–7302, 2022

J14. T. Duong and N. Atanasov, "Adaptive Control of SE(3) Hamiltonian Dynamics with Learned Disturbance Features," *IEEE Control Systems Letters (L-CSS)*, vol. 6, pp. 2773–2778, 2022

J13. E. Zobeidi, A. Koppel, and N. Atanasov, "Dense Incremental Metric-Semantic Mapping for Multi-Agent Systems via Sparse Gaussian Process Regression," *IEEE Transactions on Robotics (T-RO)*, vol. 38, no. 5, pp. 3133–3153, 2022

J12. P. Paritosh, N. Atanasov, and S. Martinez, "Distributed Bayesian Estimation of Continuous Variables over Time-varying Directed Networks," *IEEE Control Systems Letters (L-CSS)*, vol. 6, pp. 2545–2550, 2022

J11. S. W. Chen, T. Wang, N. Atanasov, V. Kumar, and M. Morari, "Large Scale Model Predictive Control with Neural Networks and Primal Active Sets," *Automatica*, vol. 135, p. 109947, 2022

J10. Y. Kantaros, B. Schlotfeldt, N. Atanasov, and G. J. Pappas, "Sampling-based Planning for Non-myopic Multi-robot Information Gathering," *Autonomous Robots*, vol. 45, pp. 1029–1046, 2021

J9. K. Long, C. Qian, J. Cortés, and N. Atanasov, "Learning Barrier Functions with Memory for Robust Safe Navigation," *IEEE Robotics and Automation Letters (RA-L)*, vol. 6, no. 3, pp. 4931–4938, 2021

J8. R. Ivanov, N. Atanasov, M. Pajic, J. Weimer, G. J. Pappas, and I. Lee, "Continuous Estimation Using Context-Dependent Discrete Measurements," *IEEE Transactions on Automatic Control (TAC)*, vol. 64, no. 1, pp. 235–250, 2019

J7. S. Liu, K. Mohta, N. Atanasov, and V. Kumar, "Search-based Motion Planning for Aggressive Flight in SE(3)," *IEEE Robotics and Automation Letters (RA-L)*, vol. 3, no. 3, pp. 2439–2446, 2018

J6. B. Schlotfeldt, D. Thakur, N. Atanasov, V. Kumar, and G. J. Pappas, "Anytime Planning for Decentralized Multi-Robot Active Information Gathering," *IEEE Robotics and Automation Letters (RA-L)*, vol. 3, no. 2, pp. 1025–1032, 2018

J5. K. Mohta, M. Watterson, Y. Mulgaonkar, S. Liu, C. Qu, A. Makineni, K. Saulnier, K. Sun, A. Zhu, J. Delmerico, K. Karydis, N. Atanasov, G. Loianno, D. Scaramuzza, K. Daniilidis, C. J. Taylor, and V. Kumar, "Fast, Autonomous Flight in GPS-Denied and Cluttered Environments," *Journal of Field Robotics (JFR)*, vol. 35, no. 1, pp. 101–120, 2018

J4. N. Atanasov, M. Zhu, K. Daniilidis, and G. J. Pappas, "Localization from Semantic Observations via

the Matrix Permanent," *The International Journal of Robotics Research (IJRR)*, vol. 35, pp. 73–99, 2015

J3. N. Atanasov, J. Le Ny, and G. J. Pappas, "Distributed Algorithms for Stochastic Source Seeking with Mobile Robot Networks," *ASME Journal of Dynamic Systems, Measurement, and Control (JDSMC)*, vol. 137, no. 3, pp. 031 011–031 011–9, 2015

J2. N. Atanasov, B. Sankaran, J. Le Ny, G. J. Pappas, and K. Daniilidis, "Nonmyopic View Planning for Active Object Classification and Pose Estimation," *IEEE Transactions on Robotics (T-RO)*, vol. 30, no. 5, pp. 1078–1090, 2014

J1. J. Ning and N. Atanasov, "Delineation of Systolic and Diastolic Heart Murmurs via Wavelet Transform and Autoregressive Modeling," *International Journal of Bioelectromagnetism*, vol. 12, no. 3, 2010

Conference Proceedings

C70. Z. Dai, A. Asgharivaskasi, T. Duong, S. Lin, M.-E. Tzes, G. J. Pappas, and N. Atanasov, "Optimal Scene Graph Planning with Large Language Model Guidance," in *IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA)*, 2024

C69. A. Altawaitan, J. Stanley, S. Ghosal, T. Duong, and N. Atanasov, "Hamiltonian Dynamics Learning from Point Cloud Observations for Nonholonomic Mobile Robot Control," in *IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA)*, 2024

C68. B. Huang, Y. Chen, T. Wang, Y. Qin, Y. Yang, N. Atanasov, and X. Wang, "Dynamic Handover: Throw and Catch with Bimanual Hands," in *Conference on Robot Learning (CoRL)*, 2023

C67. E. Sebastián, T. Duong, N. Atanasov, E. Montijano, and C. Sagués, "Learning to Identify Graphs from Node Trajectories in Multi-Robot Networks," in *IEEE International Symposium on Multi-Robot and Multi-Agent Systems (MRS)*, 2023

C66. V. Duruisseaux, T. Duong, M. Leok, and N. Atanasov, "Lie Group Forced Variational Integrator Networks for Learning and Control of Robot Systems," in *Learning for Dynamics and Control (L4DC)*, 2023, pp. 731–744

C65. K. Long, Y. Yi, J. Cortés, and N. Atanasov, "Distributionally Robust Lyapunov Function Search Under Uncertainty," in *Learning for Dynamics and Control (L4DC)*, 2023, pp. 864–877

C64. P. Yang, S. Koga, A. Asgharivaskasi, and N. Atanasov, "Policy Learning for Active Target Tracking over Continuous SE(3) Trajectories," in *Learning for Dynamics and Control (L4DC)*, 2023, pp. 64–75

C63. K. Long*, Y. Yi*, J. Cortés, and N. Atanasov, "Safe and Stable Control Synthesis for Uncertain System Models via Distributionally Robust Optimization," in *American Control Conference (ACC)*, 2023, pp. 4651–4658

C62. E. Sebastian, T. Duong, N. Atanasov, E. Montijano, and C. Sagués, "LEMURS: Learning Distributed Multi-Robot Interactions," in *IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA)*, 2023, pp. 7713–7719

C61. D. Larsson, A. Asgharivaskasi, J. Lim, N. Atanasov, and P. Tsiotras, "Information-theoretic Abstraction of Semantic Octree Models for Integrated Perception and Planning," in *IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA)*, 2023, pp. 6937–6943

C60. P. Yang, Y. Liu, S. Koga, A. Asgharivaskasi, and N. Atanasov, "Learning Continuous Control Policies for Information-Theoretic Active Perception," in *IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA)*, 2023, pp. 2098–2104

C59. A. Asgharivaskasi, S. Koga, and N. Atanasov, "Active Mapping via Gradient Ascent Optimization of Shannon Mutual Information over Continuous SE(3) Trajectories," in *IEEE/RSJ International Conference on Intelligent Robots and Systems (IROS)*, 2022

C58. B. Wang, J. Xie, and N. Atanasov, "DARL1N: Distributed multi-Agent Reinforcement Learning with One-hop Neighbors," in *IEEE/RSJ International Conference on Intelligent Robots and Systems (IROS)*, 2022

C57. T. Wang and N. Atanasov, "WFA-IRL: Inverse Reinforcement Learning of Autonomous Behaviors Encoded as Weighted Finite Automata," in *IEEE/RSJ International Conference on Intelligent Robots and Systems (IROS)*, 2022

C56. Z. Li, T. Duong, and N. Atanasov, "Safe Autonomous Navigation for Systems with Learned SE(3)

Hamiltonian Dynamics," in *Learning for Dynamics and Control (L4DC)*, 2022

C55. J. Di, E. Zobeidi, A. Koppel, and N. Atanasov, "Distributed Gaussian Process Mapping for Robot Teams with Time-Varying Communication," in *American Control Conference (ACC)*, 2022

C54. S. Koga, A. Asgharivaskasi, and N. Atanasov, "Active SLAM over Continuous Trajectory and Control: A Covariance-Feedback Approach," in *American Control Conference (ACC)*, 2022

C53. M. Shan, Q. Feng, Y. Jau, and N. Atanasov, "ELLIPSDF: Joint Object Pose and Shape Optimization with a Bi-level Ellipsoid and Signed Distance Function Description," in *IEEE/CVF International Conference on Computer Vision (ICCV)*, 2021

C52. T. Zhao, Q. Feng, S. Jadhav, and N. Atanasov, "CORSAIR: Convolutional Object Retrieval and Symmetry-AIded Registration," in *IEEE/RSJ International Conference on Intelligent Robots and Systems (IROS)*, 2021

C51. S. Koga, A. Asgharivaskasi, and N. Atanasov, "Active Exploration and Mapping via Iterative Covariance Regulation over Continuous SE(3) Trajectories," in *IEEE/RSJ International Conference on Intelligent Robots and Systems (IROS)*, 2021

C50. T. Duong and N. Atanasov, "Hamiltonian-based Neural ODE Networks on the SE(3) Manifold For Dynamics Learning and Control," in *Robotics: Science and Systems (RSS)*, 2021

C49. A. Asgharivaskasi and N. Atanasov, "Active Bayesian Multi-class Mapping from Range and Semantic Segmentation Observations," in *IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA)*, 2021

C48. Q. Feng and N. Atanasov, "Mesh Reconstruction from Aerial Images for Outdoor Terrain Mapping Using Joint 2D-3D Learning," in *IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA)*, 2021

C47. X. Cai, B. Schlotfeldt, K. Khosoussi, N. Atanasov, G. J. Pappas, and J. P. How, "Non-Monotone Energy-Aware Information Gathering for Heterogeneous Robot Teams," in *IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA)*, 2021

C46. B. Wang, J. Xie, and N. Atanasov, "Coding for Distributed Multi-Agent Reinforcement Learning," in *IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA)*, 2021

C45. P. Paritosh, N. Atanasov, and S. Martinez, "Marginal Density Averaging for Distributed Node Localization from Local Edge Measurements," in *IEEE Conference on Decision and Control (CDC)*, 2020

C44. E. Zobeidi, A. Koppel, and N. Atanasov, "Dense Incremental Metric-Semantic Mapping via Sparse Gaussian Process Regression," in *IEEE/RSJ International Conference on Intelligent Robots and Systems (IROS)*, 2020

C43. M. Shan, Q. Feng, and N. Atanasov, "OrcVIO: Object residual constrained Visual-Inertial Odometry," in *IEEE/RSJ International Conference on Intelligent Robots and Systems (IROS)*, 2020

C42. Q. Feng and N. Atanasov, "Fully Convolutional Geometric Features for Category-level Object Alignment," in *IEEE/RSJ International Conference on Intelligent Robots and Systems (IROS)*, 2020

C41. T. Wang, V. Dhiman, and N. Atanasov, "Learning Navigation Costs from Demonstrations with Semantic Observations," in *Learning for Dynamics and Control (L4DC)*, 2020

C40. M. J. Khojasteh, V. Dhiman, M. Franceschetti, and N. Atanasov, "Probabilistic Safety Constraints for Learned High Relative-Degree System Dynamics," in *Learning for Dynamics and Control (L4DC)*, 2020

C39. T. Duong, N. Das, M. Yip, and N. Atanasov, "Autonomous Navigation in Unknown Environments using Sparse Kernel-based Occupancy Mapping," in *IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA)*, 2020

C38. Z. Li, Ö. Arslan, and N. Atanasov, "Fast and Safe Path-Following Control using a State-Dependent Directional Metric," in *IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA)*, 2020

C37. T. Wang, V. Dhiman, and N. Atanasov, "Learning Navigation Costs from Demonstration in Partially Observable Environments," in *IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA)*, 2020

C36. K. Saulnier, N. Atanasov, G. Pappas, and V. Kumar, "Information Theoretic Active Exploration in Signed Distance Fields," in *IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA)*, 2020

C35. S. Kulgod, W. Chen, J. Huang, Y. Zhao, and N. Atanasov, "Temporal Logic Guided Locomotion Planning and Control in Cluttered Environments," in *American Control Conference (ACC)*, 2020

C34. P. Paritosh, N. Atanasov, and S. Martinez, "Hypothesis Assignment and Partial Likelihood Averaging for Cooperative Estimation," in *IEEE Conference on Decision and Control (CDC)*, 2019

C33. Q. Feng, Y. Meng, M. Shan, and N. Atanasov, "Localization and Mapping using Instance-specific

Mesh Models," in *IEEE/RSJ International Conference on Intelligent Robots and Systems (IROS)*, 2019

C32. S. Guo and N. Atanasov, "Information Filter Occupancy Mapping using Decomposable Radial Kernels," in *IEEE/RSJ International Conference on Intelligent Robots and Systems (IROS)*, 2019

C31. B. Schlotfeldt, N. Atanasov, and G. J. Pappas, "Maximum Information Bounds for Planning Active Sensing Trajectories," in *IEEE/RSJ International Conference on Intelligent Robots and Systems (IROS)*, 2019

C30. Y. Kantaros, B. Schlotfeldt, N. Atanasov, and G. J. Pappas, "Asymptotically Optimal Planning for Non-Myopic Multi-Robot Information Gathering," in *Robotics: Science and Systems (RSS)*, 2019

C29. P. Tecchio, N. Atanasov, S. Shahrampour, and G. J. Pappas, "N-Dimensional Distributed Network Localization With Noisy Range Measurements and Arbitrary Anchor Placement," in *American Control Conference (ACC)*, 2019

C28. M. Ostertag, N. Atanasov, and T. Rosing, "Robust Velocity Control for Minimum Steady State Uncertainty in Persistent Monitoring Applications," in *American Control Conference (ACC)*, 2019

C27. N. Atanasov, S. Bowman, K. Daniilidis, and G. Pappas, "A Unifying View of Geometry, Semantics, and Data Association in SLAM," in *International Joint Conference on Artificial Intelligence (IJCAI)*, 2018

C26. A. Khan, C. Zhang, N. Atanasov, K. Karydis, V. Kumar, and D. D. Lee, "Memory Augmented Control Networks," in *International Conference on Learning Representations (ICLR)*, 2018

C25. S. Chen, K. Saulnier, N. Atanasov, D. D. Lee, V. Kumar, G. J. Pappas, and M. Morari, "Approximating Explicit Model Predictive Control using Constrained Neural Networks," in *American Control Conference (ACC)*, 2018

C24. K. Sun, K. Saulnier, N. Atanasov, G. Pappas, and V. Kumar, "Dense 3-D Mapping with Spatial Correlation via Gaussian Filtering," in *American Control Conference (ACC)*, 2018

C23. S. Liu, N. Atanasov, K. Mohta, and V. Kumar, "Search-based Motion Planning for Quadrotors using Linear Quadratic Minimum Time Control," in *IEEE/RSJ International Conference on Intelligent Robots and Systems (IROS)*, 2017

C22. M. Zhang, N. Atanasov, and K. Daniilidis, "Active End-Effector Pose Selection for Tactile Object Recognition through Monte Carlo Tree Search," in *IEEE/RSJ International Conference on Intelligent Robots and Systems (IROS)*, 2017

C21. A. Zhu, N. Atanasov, and K. Daniilidis, "Event-based Visual Inertial Odometry," in *IEEE Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR)*, 2017

C20. A. Zhu, N. Atanasov, and K. Daniilidis, "Event-based Feature Tracking with Probabilistic Data Association," in *IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA)*, 2017

C19. S. Bowman, N. Atanasov, K. Daniilidis, and G. Pappas, "Probabilistic Data Association for Semantic SLAM," in *IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA)*, 2017 (**Best Paper Award**)

C18. S. Chen, N. Atanasov, A. Khan, K. Karydis, D. D. Lee, and V. Kumar, "Neural Network Memory Architectures for Autonomous Robot Navigation," in *Multi-disciplinary Conference on Reinforcement Learning and Decision Making (RLDM)*, 2017

C17. V. Tzoumas, N. Atanasov, A. Jadbabaie, and G. Pappas, "Scheduling Nonlinear Sensors for Stochastic Process Estimation," in *American Control Conference (ACC)*, 2017

C16. C. Di Franco, A. Prorok, N. Atanasov, B. Kempke, P. Dutta, V. Kumar, and G. Pappas, "Calibration-Free Network Localization using Non-Line-of-Sight Ultra-Wideband Measurements," in *ACM/IEEE International Conference on Information Processing in Sensor Networks (IPSN)*, 2017

C15. J. Fu, N. Atanasov, U. Topcu, and G. Pappas, "Optimal Temporal Logic Planning in Probabilistic Semantic Maps," in *IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA)*, 2016

C14. R. Ivanov, N. Atanasov, J. Weimer, M. Pajic, A. Simpao, M. Rehman, G. Pappas, and I. Lee, "Estimation of Blood Oxygen Content Using Context-Aware Filtering," in *ACM/IEEE International Conference on Cyber-Physical Systems (ICCPS)*, 2016

C13. R. Ivanov, N. Atanasov, M. Pajic, G. Pappas, and I. Lee, "Robust Estimation Using Context-Aware Filtering," in *Allerton Conference on Communication, Control, and Computing*, 2015

C12. N. Atanasov, J. Le Ny, K. Daniilidis, and G. Pappas, "Decentralized Active Information Acquisition: Theory and Application to Multi-Robot SLAM," in *IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA)*, 2015, pp. 4775–4782

C11. N. Atanasov, R. Tron, V. Preciado, and G. Pappas, "Joint Estimation and Localization in Sensor Networks," in *IEEE Conference on Decision and Control (CDC)*, 2014, pp. 6875–6882

C10. M. Zhu, N. Atanasov, G. Pappas, and K. Daniilidis, "Active Deformable Part Models Inference," in *European Conference on Computer Vision (ECCV)*, vol. 8695, 2014, pp. 281–296

C9. N. Atanasov, M. Zhu, K. Daniilidis, and G. Pappas, "Semantic Localization via the Matrix Permanent," in *Robotics: Science and Systems (RSS)*, 2014

C8. N. Atanasov, J. Le Ny, K. Daniilidis, and G. Pappas, "Information Acquisition with Sensing Robots: Algorithms and Error Bounds," in *IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA)*, 2014, pp. 6447–6454

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C5. T. Ning, J. Ning, N. Atanasov, and K. Hsieh, "A Fast Heart Sounds Detection and Heart Murmur Classification Algorithm," in *IEEE International Conference on Signal Processing (ICSP)*, vol. 3, 2012

C4. J. Ning, N. Atanasov, and T. Ning, "Quantitative Analysis of Heart Sounds and Systolic Heart Murmurs Using Wavelet Transform and AR Modeling," in *IEEE International Conference on Engineering in Medicine and Biology (EMBC)*, 2009

C3. N. Atanasov and T. Ning, "Isolation of Systolic Heart Murmurs Using Wavelet Transform and Energy Index," in *IEEE Congress on Image and Signal Processing (CISP)*, 2008

C2. N. Atanasov and T. Ning, "Quantitative Delineation of Heart Murmurs Using Features Derived from Autoregressive Modeling," in *IEEE Northeast Bioengineering Conference (NEBC)*, 2007

C1. T. Ning, S. Bhandari, and N. Atanasov, "Restoration of Multi-channel Spectral Estimation Affected by Sampling Jitters," in *IEEE Northeast Bioengineering Conference (NEBC)*, 2007

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W11. A. Asgharivaskasi and N. Atanasov, "Distributed Optimization with Consensus Constraint for Multi-Robot Semantic Octree Mapping," in *Workshop on Collaborative Perception and Learning at ICRA*, 2023

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W9. T. Wang and N. Atanasov, "Learning Navigation Costs from Demonstration via Differentiable Planning," in *South California Robotics Symposium*, 2019

W8. Q. Feng, Y. Meng, M. Shan, and N. Atanasov, "Localization and Mapping using Instance-specific Mesh Models," in *South California Robotics Symposium*, 2019

W7. P. Paritosh, N. Atanasov, and S. Martinez, "Distributed Estimation Algorithms on Optimally Assigned Hypotheses," in *South California Robotics Symposium*, 2019

W6. Q. Feng, Y. Meng, and N. Atanasov, "Dense Spatial Segmentation from Sparse Semantic Information," in *Workshop on Learning and Inference in Robotics at RSS*, 2018

W5. B. Schlotfeldt, N. Atanasov, and G. J. Pappas, "Adversarial Information Acquisition," in *Workshop on Adversarial Robotics at RSS*, 2018

W4. M. Shan and N. Atanasov, "A Spatiotemporal Model with Visual Attention for Video Classification," in *Workshop on Articulated Model Tracking at RSS*, 2017

W3. R. Ivanov, N. Atanasov, M. Pajic, I. Lee, and G. Pappas, "Robust Localization Using Context-Aware Filtering," in *Workshop on Multiview Geometry in Robotics at RSS*, 2015

W2. M. Lauri, N. Atanasov, G. Pappas, and R. Ritala, "Active Object Recognition via Monte Carlo Tree Search," in *Workshop on Beyond Geometric Constraints at ICRA*, 2015

W1. M. Zhu, N. Atanasov, G. Pappas, and K. Daniilidis, "Active Deformable Part Models Inference," in *Workshop on Parts and Attributes at ECCV*, 2014

Patents

1. A. Zhu, N. Atanasov, K. Daniilidis, "Event-based Feature Tracking," US Patent # 11,138,742.
2. S. Bowman, N. Atanasov, K. Daniilidis, G. J. Pappas, "Probabilistic Data Association for Simultaneous Localization and Mapping," US Patent # 11,187,536.

Seminars and Talks

1. "Learning Distributed Multi-Robot Interactions," TILOS Annual Review and NSF Site Visit, San Diego, CA, USA, July 2023.
2. "Distributed Optimization with Consensus Constraints for Multi-Robot Mapping," Workshop on Collaborative Perception and Learning, IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA), London, UK, June 2023.
3. "Distributionally Robust Safety and Stability for Systems with Learned Models and Constraints," Workshop on Safe and Robust Learning for Reception-based Planning and Control, American Control Conference (ACC), San Diego, CA, USA, May 2023.
4. "Metric-Semantic Mapping and Dynamics Learning for Safe Autonomous Robot Navigation," Ming Hsieh Institute Cyber-Physical Systems Seminar Series, University of Southern California, Los Angeles, CA, Mar. 2023.
5. "Safe Stabilization and Tracking for Dynamical Systems under Model Uncertainty," Control Systems and Dynamics Seminar, UC San Diego, La Jolla, CA, Feb. 2023.
6. "Multi-Robot Metric-Semantic Mapping," ECE UCR Colloquium, UC Riverside, Nov. 2022.
7. "Multi-Robot Metric-Semantic Mapping," Illinois Robotics Seminar, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign, Sep. 2022.
8. "Signed Directional Distance Functions," Workshop on Robotic Perception and Mapping, IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA), May 2022.
9. "Autonomous Robot Mapping, Navigation, and Exploration," ECE 297 Seminar Series, UC Los Angeles, Los Angeles, CA, Apr. 2022.
10. "Challenges and Opportunities in Mobile Robot Autonomy," Faculty-to-Faculty (F2F) Seminar Series, UC San Diego, La Jolla, CA, Apr. 2022.
11. "Object Pose and Shape Optimization for Simultaneous Localization and Mapping," Pixel Cafe Seminar, UC San Diego, La Jolla, CA, Apr. 2021.
12. "Autonomous Control of Aerial Robots for Environmental Monitoring," IEEE RAS/CS/IAS Connecticut Chapter, Mar. 2021.
13. "Active Information Acquisition using Collaborative Autonomous Robots," Workshop on Collaborative Intelligent Autonomous Actions against an Intelligent Adversary, Army Research Lab, Dec. 2020.
14. "A unifying view of geometry, semantics, and data association in SLAM," Workshop on Emerging Learning and Algorithmic Methods for Data Association in Robotics, IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA), May 2020.
15. "OrcVIO: Object residual constrained Visual-Inertial Odometry," Information Theory and Applications (ITA) Workshop, San Diego, CA, Feb. 2020
16. "Autonomous Exploration and Mapping using Inertial, Geometric, and Semantic Information," Jet Propulsion Laboratory, Pasadena, CA, Dec. 2019
17. "Autonomous Exploration and Mapping using Inertial, Geometric, and Semantic Information," UCSD Robotics Graduate Student Association, , UC San Diego, La Jolla, CA, Nov. 2019
18. "Autonomous Exploration and Mapping using Visual, Inertial, and Semantic Information," DCL Seminar Series, Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, GA, Apr. 2019.

19. "Autonomous Exploration and Mapping using Visual, Inertial, and Semantic Information," Lockheed Martin Robotics Seminar Series, University of Maryland, College Park, MD, Mar. 2019.
20. "Semantic Mapping and Autonomous Navigation in Unknown Environments," Workshop on Intelligent Systems with Real-Time Learning, Knowledge Bases, and Information Retrieval, University of Texas, Austin, TX, Jan. 2019.
21. "Active and Adversarial Information Acquisition," Workshop on "Adversarial Robotics," Robotics: Science and Systems (RSS) Conference, Pittsburgh, PA, June 2018.
22. "Artificial Intelligence: A Path Forward," panel at the West Conference sponsored by AFCEA International and the U.S. Naval Institute, San Diego, CA, Feb. 2018.
23. "Semantic Localization and Mapping," Panel on Advanced Robotic Imaging, The Indus Entrepreneurs, San Diego, CA, Oct. 2017.
24. "Semantic Mapping and Mission Planning in Robotics," Machine Learning and Formal Methods Seminar, Dagstuhl, Germany, Aug. 2017.
25. "Using Semantic Information in Robot Localization, Mapping, and Mission Planning," ATA Engineering, San Diego, CA, Aug. 2017.
26. "Metric-Semantic SLAM with Probabilistic Data Association," Artificial Intelligence Think Tank, Gordon Engineering Leadership Center, UC San Diego, La Jolla, CA, Jun. 2017.
27. "Acquiring Metric and Semantic Information Using Autonomous Robots" at UC San Diego, Georgia Tech, MIT, University of Minnesota, UT Austin, Duke, Princeton, NYU, Stanford, ETH Zurich, BU, CMU, UC Berkeley, Feb.-Apr. 2016.
28. "Active Information Acquisition with Mobile Robots" at UC Berkeley, UC Los Angeles, University of Southern California, and California Institute of Technology, Feb. 2015.
29. "Distributed Information Acquisition with Mobile Sensors," Workshop on Humans and Sensing in Cyber-Physical Systems, Robotics: Science and Systems (RSS) Conference, Berkeley, CA, July 2014.

Outreach Activities

1. Mentored undergraduate and K12 students through UCSD outreach programs:
   - International Summer Research Program (ISRP): 1 student in 2017; 1 student in 2018; 1 student in 2019; 2 students in 2023
   - ECE Spring/Summer Research Internship Program (SRIP): 2 students in 2018; 4 students in 2019; 5 students in 2020; 3 students in 2021; 6 students in 2022; 3 students in 2023
   - ENLACE Summer Research Program: 1 student in 2019; 4 students in 2021; 2 students in 2022; 1 student in 2023
   - Summer Training Academy for Research Success (STARS): 1 student in 2019; 1 student in 2022
   - Regents Scholars Research Initiative (RSRI): 1 student in 2019; 2 students in 2020; 2 students in 2023
   - Guided Engineering Apprenticeship in Research (GEAR): 1 student in 2020-2021; 2 students in 2021-2022; 2 students in 2022-2023

2. "ECE Department at UCSD and Mobile Robot Autonomy," Presentation at ECE Day Kickoff Event, UC San Diego, La Jolla, CA, April 2023.
3. Contextual Robotics Institute Lab Tour, ECE Day 2023, UC San Diego, La Jolla, CA, April 2023.
4. Contextual Robotics Institute Lab Tour, First Tech Challenge high-school students, UC San Diego, La Jolla, CA, March 2023.
5. Contextual Robotics Institute Lab Tour, Sweetwater Highschool students, UC San Diego, La Jolla, CA, February 2023.
6. Co-organized 4 robotics tutorials on mapping, planning, optimization, learning (https://github.com/ExistentialRobotics/robotics-workshop) at HKN and IEEE Chapters, UC San Diego and San Diego State University, Spring 2021

7. "Autonomous Control of Aerial Robots for Environmental Monitoring," IEEE Technical Seminar for undergraduate students, The College of New Jersey (TCNJ), March 2021.
8. "Terrain Mapping and Safe Control of Aerial Robots for Wildfire Detection," Guest Lecture at HKN and IEEE, UCSD and SDSU Chapters, October 2020.
9. "Introduction to Robot Localization and Mapping," lecture for the UCSD Splash High-School Program, UC San Diego, La Jolla, CA, April 2019.
10. "Introduction to Robot Localization and Mapping," lectures for the UCSD Splash High-School Program, UC San Diego, La Jolla, CA, May 2018.
11. "Introduction to Robotics," lecture for the California State Summer School for Mathematics and Science (COSMOS) Program, July 2017.

Research Group

Ph.D. Students:
- Tianyu Wang, ECE, UCSD
- Zhichao Li, ECE, UCSD
- Qiaojun Feng, ECE, UCSD
- Parth Paritosh, MAE, UCSD, co-advised with Prof. Sonia Martinez (MAE, UCSD)
- Ehsan Zobeidi, ECE, UCSD
- Thai Duong, ECE, UCSD
- Arash Asgharivaskasi, ECE, UCSD
- Kehan Long, MATH, UCSD, co-advised with Prof. Melvin Leok (MATH, UCSD)
- Abdullah Altawaitan, ECE, UCSD
- Zhirui Dai, ECE, UCSD
- Hanwen Cao, ECE, UCSD
- Yinzhuang Yi, ECE, UCSD, co-advised with Prof. Jorge Cortés (MAE, UCSD)

M.S. Students:
- Dwait Bhatt, ECE, UCSD (SRIP 2023)
- Mustafa Shaikh, ECE, UCSD (SRIP 2023)
- Minnan Zhou, ECE, UCSD
- Vatsalya Chaubey, ECE, UCSD
- Sumangala Patki, ECE, UCSD
- Saqib Azim, ECE, UCSD
- Awies Mohammad Mulla, ECE, UCSD
- Surya Thoguluva Kumaran Babu, ECE, UCSD
- Sharath Matada, MAE, UCSD

Undergraduate and K12 Students:
- Jason Stanley, ECE, UCSD (SRIP)
- Girish Krishnan, ECE, UCSD (GEAR)
- Ali Hussain, ECE, UCSD (GEAR)
- Muhammad Fadli Alim Arsani, ECE, UCSD
- Zeyu (Jeffrey) Chen, ECE, UCSD
- Shuyan Tan, ECE, UCSD

Postdoctoral Researcher Alumni:
- Shumon Koga, Staff Engineer, Honda R&D, Tokyo, Japan, 2023
- Vikas Dhiman, Assistant Professor, University of Maine, 2021

Ph.D. Student Alumni:
- Baoqian Wang, ECE, UCSD and SDSU, co-advised with Dr. Junfei Xie, 2023

M.S. Thesis Student Alumni:
- Alexander Paskal, ECE, UCSD, 2023
- Hojoon Shin, MAE, UCSD, 2023
- Sriram Shreedharan, ECE, UCSD, 2023
- Sutej Kulgod, ECE, UCSD, 2020 (SRIP)
- Alexander Khoury, ECE, UCSD, 2019
- Ibrahim Akbar, ECE, UCSD, 2019 (SRIP)
- Yue Meng, ECE, UCSD, 2019

M.S. Student Alumni:
- Shubham Kumar, ECE, UCSD, 2023
- Sambaran Ghosal, ECE, UCSD, 2023
- Venkata Naga Kishore Nukala, ECE, UCSD, 2023
- Shrey Kansal, MAE, UCSD, 2023
- Rishabh Bhattacharya, ECE, UCSD, 2023
- Peiran Liu, ECE, UCSD, 2023
- Sumanth Cherupally, ECE, UCSD, 2023
- Shusen Lin, ECE, UCSD, 2023
- Rachit Chhabra, MAE, UCSD, 2023
- Abhinav Gupta, CSE, UCSD, 2023
- Aiwei Yin, ECE, UCSD, 2023
- Kunaal Malodhakar, ECE, UCSD, 2023 (SRIP)
- Zhexu Li, CSE, UCSD, 2022 (SRIP)
- Siddhant Saoji, ECE, UCSD, 2022 (SRIP)
- Yaobang Deng, CSE, UCSD, 2022
- Yen-Ting Huang, ECE, UCSD, 2022
- Nikhil Karnwal, ECE, UCSD, 2022
- Allen Zeng, ECE, UCSD, 2022
- Yifan Wu, ECE, UCSD, 2022
- Mo Shan, ECE, UCSD, 2021
- Yuhan Liu, CSE, 2021
- Shiladitya Biswas, ECE, UCSD, 2021
- Tianyu Zhao, ECE, UCSD, 2021
- Mohammed Alyaseen, ECE, UCSD, 2021
- Jinzhao Li, ECE, UCSD, 2020 (SRIP)
- Zihan Wang, UCSD, Summer 2020 (SRIP)
- Sai Jadhav, ECE, UCSD, 2020
- Kun Chen, ECE, UCSD, 2020 (SRIP)
- Harshini Rajachander, ECE, UCSD, 2019
- Siwei Guo, ECE, UCSD, 2018
- Jialiang Liu, ECE, UCSD, Summer 2018 (SRIP)
- Youxing Wang, ECE, UCSD, 2018

Undergraduate and K12 Student Alumni:
- Naythan Chan, MiraCosta College, Summer 2023
- Leo Sun, Del Norte High School, Summer 2023
- Kuang Ting (Tim) Tu, National Tsing Hua University, Summer 2023 (ISRP)
- Xuezhou Xu, National University of Singapore, Summer 2023 (ISRP)

- Aditi Krishnakumar, CogSci, UCSD, 2023
- Anthony Hirales Ahuatzin, CETYS-Tijuana, Mexico, Summer 2021, Summer 2023 (ENLACE)
- Rohan Bosworth, Poway High School, 2021-2023
- Yuchen Zhang, ECE, UCSD, 2023
- Behrad Rabiei, ECE, UCSD, 2021-2023
- Jim Solomon, UC Los Angeles, Summer 2022 (STARS)
- Kevin Alejandro Buzani González, Instituto Tecnológico de Hermosillo, Summer 2022 (ENLACE)
- Sergio Reojas Cabrera, Summer 2022 (ENLACE)
- Anthony Tseng, ECE, UCSD, 2022 (SRIP)
- Gao Zhu, CSE, UCSD, 2022
- Arsalan Sepahpour, ECE, UCSD, 2022
- Jiawen Yu, ECE, UCSD, 2022 (SRIP)
- Adin Ackerman, ECE, UCSD, Summer 2022 (SRIP)
- Minh Pham, ECE, UCSD, 2020-2022
- Peter Stratton, CSE, UCSD, 2019-2022
- Noe Jimenez, ECE, UCSD, 2021-2022 (GEAR)
- Philemon Putra, ECE, UCSD, 2021-2022 (GEAR)
- Shreyas Arora, ECE, UCSD, 2021-2022
- Farnia Nafarifard, ECE, UCSD, 2020-2021 (GEAR)
- Ryan Goh, ECE, UCSD, 2020-2021 (RSRI)
- Aaron Yu, CSE, UCSD, 2020-2021 (RSRI)
- Hannah Hui, ECE, UCSD, 2019-2021 (RSRI, SRIP)
- Ke Ou, ECE, UCSD, Summer 2021
- Juan Pablo Romero, Universidad Nacional Autonoma de Mexico, Summer 2021 (ENLACE)
- Patricia Martinez, Instituto Tecnologico de Reynosa, Summer 2021 (ENLACE)
- Angel Rafael Patino Guerrero, Cobach Plantel Miguel Hidalgo y Costilla, Summer 2021 (ENLACE)
- Kayoon Koh, Canyon Crest Academy, Summer 2021 (ENLACE)
- Xinyang Yu, ECE, UCSD, 2019-2021 (SRIP)
- Weifan Ou, ECE, UCSD, Summer 2020 (SRIP)
- Trung Tran, ECE, UCSD, Summer 2020
- Alex Levine, ECE, UCSD, 2018-2020
- Chang Han, ECE, UCSD, Summer 2019, 2020 (SRIP)
- Mohanad Ahmed, UCSD, Spring 2020
- Gyuseung Hwang, CSE, UCSD, Winter 2020
- Matthew Taber, Cal Poly, Summer 2019 (STARS)
- Bryan Sandoval, CETYS University, Summer 2019 (ENLACE)
- Pou-Chun Kung, National Sun Yat-sen University, Summer 2019 (ISRP)
- Bjorn Johnson, UCSD, Fall 2018 (RSRI)
- Darshan Bulsara, UC Merced, Summer 2018 (STARS)
- Mariana Hernández, Instituto Tecnológico Autónomo de México, Summer 2018 (ENLACE)
- Athena Tsai, National Sun Yat-sen University, Summer 2018 (ISRP)
- Richard Du, UCSD, Spring 2018
- Pengfei Li, Zhejiang University, Summer 2017 (ISRP)

Professional Activities

Journal and Conference Organization:

1. Associate Editor, IEEE Robotics and Automation Letters (RA-L), 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023.
2. Associate Editor, IEEE/RSJ International Conference on Intelligent Robots and Systems (IROS), 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023.
3. Session Chair, IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA), 2023.

4. Session Chair, Learning for Dynamics and Control (L4DC) Conference, 2023.
5. Workshops and Tutorials Co-Chair, IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA), 2022.
6. Invited Session Co-organizer, Safe and Risk-aware Planning and Control for Learning-enabled Systems, American Control Conference (ACC), 2021.
7. Area Chair, Conference on Robot Learning (CoRL), 2020.
8. Session Chair, IEEE/RSJ International Conference on Intelligent Robots and Systems (IROS), 2020.
9. Associate Editor, IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA), 2017, 2018, 2019.
10. Session Chair, American Control Conference (ACC), 2019.
11. Associate Editor, The International Journal of Robotics Research, Special Issue on RSS 2018.
12. Session Chair, Robotics: Science and Systems (RSS), 2018.
13. Publications Chair, Robotics: Science and Systems (RSS), 2018.

Workshop Organization:

1. Co-organizer, Workshop on "Robotic Perception and Mapping: Frontier Vision and Learning Techniques," IEEE/RSJ International Conference on Intelligent Robots and Systems (IROS), Detroit, MI, USA, October 2023.
2. Co-organizer, Workshop on "Integrated Perception, Planning, and Control for Physically and Contextually-Aware Robot Autonomy," IEEE/RSJ International Conference on Intelligent Robots and Systems (IROS), Detroit, MI, USA, October 2023.
3. Co-organizer, Workshop on "Safe Robot Control with Learned Motion and Environment Models," IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA), Xi'an, China, June 2021.
4. Program committee member, Workshop on "Algorithms and Architectures for Learning in-the-Loop Systems in Autonomous Flight," IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA), Montreal, Canada, May 2019.
5. Program committee member, "Work-in-Progress Abstracts, Demos, and Posters," International Conference on Cyber-Physical Systems (ICCPS), Montreal, Canada, April, 2019.
6. Co-organizer, Workshop on "Perception, Inference, and Learning for Joint Semantic, Geometric, and Physical Understanding," IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA), Brisbane, Australia, May 2018.
7. Program committee member, Workshop on "Informative Path Planning and Adaptive Sampling," IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA), Brisbane, Australia, May 2018.
8. Co-organizer, Workshop on "Learning Perception and Control for Autonomous Flight: Safety, Memory, and Efficiency," Robotics: Science and Systems (RSS), Cambridge, MA, USA, July 2017.
9. Co-organizer, Workshop on "Robot-Environment Interaction for Perception and Manipulation," Robotics: Science and Systems (RSS) Conference, Ann Arbor, MI, USA, June 2016.

Government Activities:

1. NSF CISE Panelist: 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2021, 2022, 2023.
2. NSF CNS Panelist: 2023.
3. NSF ENG Panelist: 2021.
4. Workshop on Foundations of Intelligent Sensing, Action and Learning sponsored by the Basic Research Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Research and Engineering, Philadelphia, PA, October 2015.
5. NSF Workshop on Learning, Perception and Control, Arlington, VA, August 2015.

Reviewer:

- **Journals**: IEEE Transactions on Robotics (2019-present); IEEE Robotics and Automation Letters (2015-present); The International Journal of Robotics Research (2015, 2020-present); Elsevier Robotics and Autonomous Systems (2015, 2017); Springer Autonomous Robots (2016, 2019, 2022); IEEE Sensors

Journal (2013); IEEE Robotics and Automation Magazine (2014, 2015); IEEE Transactions on Automatic Control (2020-present); IFAC Automatica (2020-present); IEEE Control Systems Letters (2020-present); IEEE Transactions on Control of Network Systems (2015, 2016); ASME Journal of Dynamic Systems, Measurement, and Control (2014, 2015); Elsevier Computer Vision and Image Understanding (2015, 2016); IEEE Transactions on Information Theory (2016, 2017); Springer Journal of Intelligent and Robotic Systems (2017); IEEE Transactions on Signal Processing (2017); IEEE Transactions on Aerospace and Electronic Systems (2018); IEEE Transactions on Signal and Information Processing over Networks (2018); Elsevier Artificial Intelligence (2021, 2022)

- **Conferences**: Robotics: Science and Systems (RSS) (2016-present), IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA) (2014-present), IEEE/RSJ International Conference on Intelligent Robots and Systems (IROS) (2012-present), Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS) (2019), IEEE Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR) (2016, 2019), European Conference on Computer Vision (ECCV) (2016), Conference on Robot Learning (CoRL) (2017), IEEE Conference on Decision and Control (CDC) (2015-present), American Control Conference (ACC) (2016-present), European Control Conference (ECC) (2019, 2020), Conference on Learning for Dynamics and Control (L4DC) (2020-present), IFAC World Congress (2017), International Conference on Advanced Robotics (ICAR) (2015), IFAC Conference on Analysis and Design of Hybrid Systems (2017), IEEE International Conference on Automation Science and Engineering (CASE) (2015), IEEE Multi-conference on Systems and Control (2014), IEEE/SICE International Symposium on System Integration (2015)

Society Membership:

IEEE, Senior Member	2023 - Present
IEEE, Robotics and Automation Society	2014 - Present
IEEE, Control Systems Society	2023 - Present
Phi Beta Kappa Society	2008 - Present
IEEE, Member	2016 - 2023
IEEE, Student Member	2007 - 2016
IEEE, Communication Society	2012 - 2013
IEEE, Engineering in Medicine and Biology Society	2007 - 2008
American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME)	2007 - 2008

University Service:

1. UCSD ECE Graduate Recruiting and Admissions Committee, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024.
2. UCSD ECE MS Comprehensive Exam Committee, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021.

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48. John Ho, ECE PhD Preliminary Exam (May 2019), UCSD
49. Zhichao Li, ECE PhD Preliminary Exam (Apr. 2019) and Qualifying Exam (Nov. 2021), UCSD
50. Mo Shan, ECE PhD Preliminary Exam (Apr. 2019) and Qualifying Exam (Dec. 2021), UCSD
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60. Sikang Liu, MEAM PhD Proposal (May 2018) and Thesis Defense (Oct. 2018), UPenn

61. Michael Ostertag, ECE Preliminary Exam (Oct. 2018) and PhD Qualifying Exam (Mar. 2020), UCSD
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66. Tianyu Wang, ECE PhD Preliminary Exam (May 2018) and Qualifying Exam (Jun. 2021), UCSD
67. Nikhil Das, ECE PhD Qualifying Exam (Nov. 2017) and Thesis Defense (May 2020), UCSD
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69. Daniel Yang, MAE PhD Senate Exam (Dec. 2016), UCSD

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