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### **Conference Handbook**

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### **Welcome Message**

On behalf of the Organizing Committee, it is our great pleasure to extend a warm welcome to all participants attending the *IEEE 20th International Conference on Automation Science and Engineering (CASE 2024)*, taking place in charming Puglia, Italy, from August 28 – September 1, 2024. As one of the flagship conferences of the IEEE Robotics & Automation Society, CASE is a prestigious international platform for researchers and practitioners to present and discuss their cutting-edge work in the automation field. We are delighted to host this significant event in Puglia, an idyllic, sun-kissed region on the Adriatic Sea coast, known for its rich history, vibrant culture, and warm hospitality.

CASE 2024 brings together various activities, including plenary and keynote sessions, contributed paper sessions, workshops, engaging industry panel discussions, and several social events. The conference will focus on the theme "Automation 5.0: Automation Everywhere for Better and Smarter Living" and will cover a wide range of topics such as Systems, Automation, Control Theory, Autonomous Systems, Discrete Event Systems, Smart Cities, Robotics, Building Automation, Smart Mobility, Information and Communication Technologies, and Factory 4.0.

This year marks a milestone in CASE's history as we celebrate the 20th anniversary of this conference. Since its first edition in 2005 in Edmonton, Alberta, Canada, CASE has become a cornerstone event in the automation community, fostering innovation, collaboration, and knowledge exchange. We invite you to commemorate this special anniversary with celebratory activities.

CASE 2024 is already a resounding success, drawing more than 900 participants from around the globe and more than 20 industrial, scientific, and institutional sponsors, making this conference an outstanding event. We received an overwhelming number of submissions from more than 50 countries. The conference saw a 28% increase in regular paper submissions and a 67% increase in special session paper submissions compared to last year. The conference received 44 special session proposals, marking a 29% increase from the previous year. In total, 721 regular and special session papers were submitted, of which 544 were accepted. Additionally, we received 133 presentation-only papers, including 48 RAL/T-ASE/T-RO papers. Lastly, CASE 2024 received 17 workshop proposals of extremely high quality.

This year, we introduced a Call for Application Video for the first time, receiving more than 80 submissions. In line with our commitment to diversity and inclusion, CASE 2024 also featured a new Call for Diversity and Inclusion Activities, encouraging proposals that broaden participation in automation science and engineering and encompass various dimensions of diversity.

Besides the traditional awards such as the Best Conference Paper Award, Best Application Paper Award, Best Student Paper Award, and the Best Healthcare Automation Paper Award, we are proud to present for the second time the Peter Luh Memorial Best Paper Award for Young Researcher, which has now become an official IEEE award. This award was established in honor of Professor Peter Luh's dedicated service to raising the profile of automation and supporting young researchers early in their careers. This year, the conference also established the Best Short Paper Award and

the Best Application Video Award. This year the IEEE T-ASE Best Paper Award and IEEE T-ASE Best Application Paper Award will be presented at CASE.

Several opportunities were available this year to participants. RAS established the traditional Travel Support, Social Media Ambassador, and IDEA Travel Support. This year, we introduced several new opportunities. We sent out a call for Student Volunteers, providing 15 students from all around the globe with the opportunity to participate in the conference for free. Furthermore, we are thrilled to introduce the RAS Member Support Program (MSP) for CASE for the first time. This program aims to provide financial support to members who contribute to activities aligned with the RAS mission. The MSP offers a significant discount on registration fees. Additionally, we are pleased to offer onsite childcare support to facilitate parents' participation, with discounted options for IEEE RAS members.

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to the Authors, Reviewers, Conference Editorial Board, Steering Committee, Organizing Committee, and volunteers whose dedication and hard work have made CASE 2024 possible.

Thank you for joining us in Bari for CASE2024. We look forward to a vibrant and enriching conference experience and to seeing the innovative contributions that will shape the future of automation.

On behalf of the Organising Committee of IEEE CASE 2024



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### **About**

The 2024 IEEE 20th International Conference on Automation Science and Engineering (CASE 2024) is one of the three flagship conferences of the IEEE Robotics & Automation Society and provides a primary forum for cross-industry multidisciplinary research in automation.

CASE 2024 will be held on August 28 – September 1, 2024, in charming Puglia (or Apulia), Italy. Puglia is a little slice of idyllic, sun-kissed Italia on the Adriatic Sea coast. An important economic center in Southern Italy, it is also a bridge between West and East with a multicultural, open, and friendly community.

The conference will focus on Automation 5.0: automation everywhere for better and smarter living and will include tutorials and workshops, a technical program of presentations, keynote lectures, and social events. The conference will cover a wide range of topics on Systems, Automation, Control theory, Autonomous Systems, Discrete Event Systems, Smart Cities, Robotics, Building Automation, Smart Mobility, Information and Communication Technologies, and Factory 4.0.

# History of CASE: Celebrating 20 Years of Innovation and Progress in Automation

The Conference on Automation Science and Engineering (CASE) is an influential annual event organized by the IEEE Robotics and Automation Society. Since its establishment in Edmonton 2005, CASE has provided a dedicated platform for researchers, academics, and industry professionals to share and discuss advances in automation science and engineering. This initiative arose from the recognition of the increasing importance of automation in various industrial and research domains. In its early years, CASE focused on foundational topics such as control systems, robotics, discrete event systems, and manufacturing automation. The conference aimed to bridge the gap between theoretical advancements and practical applications, fostering interdisciplinary collaboration and innovation. This approach quickly garnered attention and the conference grew in prominence, attracting a global audience eager to explore the latest developments in automation.

Between 2011 and 2015, CASE broadened its thematic scope to include emerging areas such as biomedical and sustainable automation, service robotics, and smart systems. This period marked the conference's expansion in terms of both subject and geographic reach. By rotating its location globally between America, Asia, and Europe, CASE reflected its international significance and fostered greater diversity in participation. Additionally, the conference placed a stronger emphasis on workshops, special sessions, and industry panels, enhancing opportunities for networking and collaborative research. This focus on interaction and practical application helped solidify CASE's reputation as a premier event in the field.

From 2016 to the present, CASE has embraced and integrated advancements in artificial intelligence, machine learning, and the Internet of Things (IoT) into the realm of automation science and engineering. The conference has continued to promote interdisciplinary research, addressing

complex challenges in various sectors such as healthcare, transportation, and energy. This era also saw CASE adapting to global circumstances, particularly the COVID-19 pandemic, by adopting virtual and hybrid formats. These adaptations ensured that the conference could continue its mission of knowledge sharing and engagement despite the challenges posed by the pandemic. Recent conferences have also placed a spotlight on sustainability and ethical considerations in automation, reflecting broader societal concerns and the need for responsible innovation.

Throughout its history, CASE has significantly contributed to the body of knowledge in automation science and engineering. By publishing high-quality research and fostering a culture of innovation, CASE has built a strong community of professionals dedicated to advancing automation technologies and their applications. The conference has not only kept pace with technological advancements but has also anticipated and shaped future trends in the field. As it continues to evolve, CASE addresses new challenges and opportunities in automation, maintaining its relevance and leadership.

Overall, CASE has grown from a niche event to a key global forum that shapes the future of automation. Its comprehensive and inclusive approach has ensured that it remains at the forefront of the field, driving progress and fostering a collaborative international community. The conference's legacy of promoting interdisciplinary research, practical innovation, and ethical considerations continues to influence the direction of automation science and engineering worldwide.

Since CASE 2024 is the 20th CASE conference, this anniversary will be celebrated at the conference through different events, including videos and presentations. We will hear how CASE was initiated and get short memories from the former conferences in Edmonton 2005, Shanghai 2006, Scottsdale 2007, Arlington 2008, Bangalore 2009, Toronto 2010, Trieste 2011, Seoul 2012, Madison 2013, Taipei 2014, Gothenburg 2015, Fort Worth 2016, Xi'an 2017, Munich 2018, Vancouver 2019, Hong Kong 2020, Lyon 2021, Mexico City 2022, and Auckland 2023. Some statistics will also confirm the conference's growth, for instance, the increase by a factor of seven in the number of papers from the first CASE conference to this year's CASE in Bari.

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MICS (Made in Italy Circolare e Sostenibile) is a partnership between universities, research centers, and enterprises funded by the Italian Ministry of University and Research with support from the EU's NextGenerationEU (PNRR) program. It links businesses and research across public and private sectors, uniting their efforts. Currently, it involves three key Italian industrial sectors: Fashion, Furniture, and Factory Automation.



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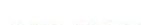
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della Provincia di Bari

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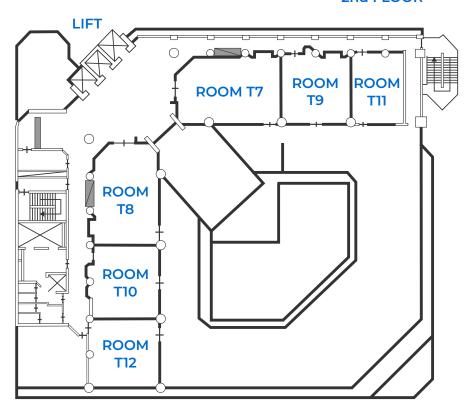
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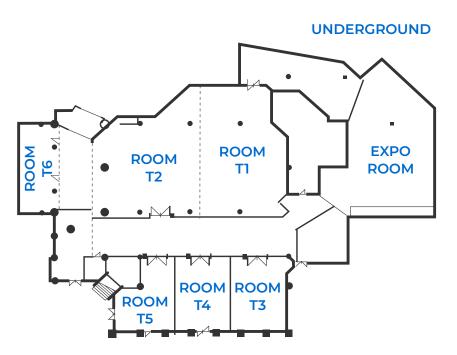
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### **Timetable**

Join us at the 20th International Conference on Automation Science and Engineering (CASE 2024) in Puglia (or Apulia), Italy, from August 28 to September 1, 2024. The conference will feature tutorials, workshops, technical presentations, keynote lectures, and social events, covering a wide range of topics such as Systems, Robotics, Smart Cities, and more.

The detailed CASE 2024 programme including papers, paper presentations and virtual access for remote registrants can be found through the InfoVaya Conference Platform and the InfoVaya Conference App.

### Legend



### Wednesday, 28 of August

9:30 11:00		Free visit at Polytechnic University of Bari	
11:00 13:00		Tree visit at rolytechnic oniversity of barr	
13:00 14:00		Lunch Break	CASE24 Summer
14:00 16:00	Registration Foyer	Technical tours at industrial companies	School
16:00 16:30		Coffee Break	
16:30 17:30		Technical tours at industrial companies	

### Thursday, 29 of August

		Room T1	Room T2	Room T3	Room T4	Room T5		
9:30 10:00			Opening Plenary Plenary Room					
10:00 11:00		Dr	iving the Biologic	cal Transformatio Plenary Room	n with Automatio	on		
11:00 11:30				Coffe Break				
11:30 13:00	Registration Foyer	Human-Robot Collaboration for Futuristic Human-Centric Smart Manufacturing I	Drivers and Tools for Efficiency Improvement in Industrial and Non-Industrial Processes	In-Field Digital Technologies, Robotics and Al for Sustainable Agriculture I	Advancements in Intelligent Transportation Systems: Modeling, Control, and Optimization I	Digital Twin for Smart Engineering System Development, Operation and Optimization I		
13:00 14:00		Lunch Break		Confere	nference Editorial Board Lunch			
14:00 15:30		Human-Robot Collaboration for Futuristic Human-Centric Smart Manufacturing	Optimization and Distributed Control in System of Systems Engineering	In-Field Digital Technologies, Robotics and Al for Sustainable Agriculture II	Advancements in Intelligent Transportation Systems: Modeling, Control, and Optimization II	Digital Twin for Smart Engineering System Development, Operation and Optimization II		
15:30 16:00				Coffe Break				
16:00 18:00		Industrial Panel & RAS IAB Standardization Session Plenary Room						
20:00 21:00			V	Velcome Receptio	n			

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		Room T6	Room T7	Room T8	Room T9	Room T10			
9:30 10:00			Opening Plenary Plenary Room						
10:00 11:00		Dr	Driving the Biological Transformation with Automation  Plenary Room						
11:00 11:30				Coffe Break					
11:30 13:00	Registration Foyer	Innovative Applications of Al and Automation in Industrial Scenarios	Optimized UAV Systems	Big-Data and Data Mining Applications	Optimization and Automation in Logistics	Energy and Environment- Aware Automation			
13:00 14:00	Regis	Lunch Break		Conference Editorial Board Lunch					
14:00 15:30		Safety in Autonomous Systems: From Fault Detection to Fault Prognosis	Advanced Sensing and Control Techniques	Advancements in Autonomous Systems	Predictive Process Engineering for the Construction Industry	Robust Point Cloud Estimation			
15:30 16:00				Coffe Break					
16:00 18:00			Emerging Technologies in Robotics and Data Integration	Formal Methods in Robotics and Automation	Solutions for Sustainable and Resilient Systems	Optimization and Optimal Control			
20:00 21:00			٧	Velcome Receptic	on				

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10:00 11:00		Driving the	utomation				
11:00 11:30			Coffe Break				
11:30 13:00	Registration Foyer	Leveraging Systems and Data for Context-Aware and Emergent Behavior	Planning, Scheduling and Coordination	Al and Data-Based Methods	Automation in Construction		
13:00 14:00	Registra	Lunch Break Conference Editorial Board Lunch			rd Lunch		
14:00 15:30		3D Reconstruction and Perception for Robotic Systems	Safe and Collaborative Manipulation of Autonomous Robots	AI-Based Methods	Autonomous Agents		
15:30 16:00			Coffe	Break			
16:00 18:00		Advanced Techniques in Al-Driven Optimization for Industrial and Manufacturing Processes	Al-Driven Control and Optimization				
20:00 21:00			Welcome	Reception			

### Friday, 30 of August

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11:30 13:00	Registration Foyer	Advances in Intelligent Healthcare Management II	Identification and Control of Complex Systems	Advanced Optimization Techniques	Advancements in Aerial Robotics	Collaborative Robots in Manufactur- ing	RAS IAB Sta
13:00 14:00		Lunch	Break	Woman in Engineering Luncheon			
14:00 15:00		Advances in Intelligent Healthcare	Reinforcement Learning for Autonomous	Control and Path Planning Strategies for	Character- ization and Prediction	Predictive Control and	
15:00 15:30		Management III	Driving and Robot Control	Mobile Robot Systems	of Printed Products	Dynamic Modeling	
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10:00 11:00			Novel Planning and Control Approaches for Semiconductor Manufacturing I	Machine Learning for Optimization in Automation I	Autonomous Systems for Agriculture and Horticulture I	Al Enabled Discrete Event Dynamic Systems I	
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13:00 14:00	Re	Lunch Break	reak RAS SAC Lunch with Leaders		RAS TC Automation Cluster Lunch		
14:00 15:30		Intelligent Operation, Maintenance, and Scheduling in Complex Systems	Diagnosis and Fault Detection	Machine Learning for Optimization in Automation III	Autonomous Systems for Agriculture and Horticulture III	Automated Sample Processing	
15:30 16:00				Coffe Break			
16:00 17:30		Motion and Path Planning	Deep Learning Applications and Innovations in Robotics and Automation	Advanced Control and Modeling Techniques for Robotic Systems	Human-Robot Collaboration	Design and Control of Quadrotor UAVs	
19:30 20:00		CASE @20 / TASE @20					
20:00 21:00		Farewell Reception					
21:00		RAS SAC Social Hour					

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14:00 15:30		Cyber-Physical Manufacturing for Small Batch Customization III	Collaborative Robots and Motion Control	Advancements in Modeling, Scheduling, and Control for Autonomous Manufacturing III	Smart and Sustainable Manufacturing III	Navigation, Manipulation, and Task Planning
15:30 16:00				Coffe Break		
16:00 17:30		Machine Learning in Robotics and Automation	Robotic Control and Motion Planning	Automation at Micro-Nano Scales	Human-Robot Interaction in Workplace and Mobility	Control and Safety Mechanisms for Construction
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10:00 11:00		Digital Twin in Smart Construction I	Human Gait Reconstruction				
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11:30 13:00	Registration Foyer	Digital Twin in Smart Construction II	Dynamics, Control, and Security in Multi-Agent Systems	Planning, Scheduling and Coordination	Innovative Manufacturing and Automation		
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14:00 15:30		Digital Twin in Intelligent Manufacturing	Innovative Visual and Gesture-Based Control Techniques	Factory Automation	Automation for Industrial Applications		
15:30 16:00			Coffe	Break			
16:00 18:00		Logistics and Intelligent Transportation	Defect Detection and Anomaly Detection in Deformable and Online Adaptive Products	Robotics	Motion Control		
19:30 20:00		CASE @20 / TASE @20					
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9:30 10:00		Measuring and	d enhancing network	resilience: metrics, lea Plenary Room	arning, and defense strategies
10:00 11:00		AURA - Acceptance and trUst of Robots in Automation 5.0 I	3rd International Conference on Visual Pattern Extraction and Recognition for Cultural Heritage Understanding (VIPERC 2024) I	Control, Cooperation, and Resilience in Rural Energy Communities I	Human Movement Understanding, Whole-Body Control, and Human-Robot Interfaces in Manufacturing, Healthcare, and Underwater Exploration I
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10:00 11:00		Machine Learning for Automation I	Machine-learning (ML)-driven Digital Twin (DT) Construction for Advanced Manufacturing I	Industrial exoskeletons: market demands, open challenges and research opportunities I	Empowering Human-Robot Collaboration: shared autonomy, system transparency, and trustworthiness I
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9:30 10:00	Measuring and enhancing network resilience: metrics, learning, and defense strategies  Plenary Room				
10:00 11:00	Soft Robots and Wearables for flexible and interactive automation	Constrained control of vehicle formations in industry and intelligent transportation systems: from model-based to data-driven solutions I	Translating Manufacturing Control and Automation Research to Practice: Examples, Challenges, and Opportunities I	Enhancing Human-Centered Automation: Mastering resilient Multi-Robot Systems with Dynamic Collaboration and Heterogeneity I	
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### **Keynote Presentations**



### **Ansgar Kriwet**

After studying mechanical engineering at the University of Aachen, Dr. Kriwet spent several years as research associate at The Institute for Machine Tools and Production Technology of the TU Berlin, followed by the Institute for Management and Technology IMT in Berlin. In 1995 Dr. Kriwet joined Festo and contributed significantly to the development of the new founded Cybernetic division. His mission here was the transformation of the component business of Festo to a solution business, creating customer advantages through ease of integration. In 2009 Dr. Kriwet was appointed to the Management Board of the Festo AG for Region and Sales Europe, followed by the responsibility for Global Sales in 2013. Since September 2022 Dr. Kriwet has been the Chief Technology Officer of Festo SE & Co. KG and is responsible for Global Research and Development in this area. He is driving the integration of electronic controls, sensors, communication, and Software with traditional mechanical motion components, enhancing customer value through data by reducing energy consumption.

# Driving the biological transformation with automation

Thursday, August 29th, 2024

### Abstract:

Economists have been predicting the end of linear growth for some time. Further development towards a circular economy is the next big goal, as it offers new growth potential. And nature is an excellent role model in this regard because it knows no waste. For Festo, integrating biology as a basis for ongoing development in automation is particularly promising. It can be used to transform a biological cell into the smallest factory of the future.

To do this, we need to understand the biological processes and create optimal conditions to grow or manipulate different organisms. By using AI and quantum sensors to analyze the state of growth, we can then control and optimally monitor various parameters.

The aim of our work in this area is to create solutions that are real alternatives to today's established chemical processes, which often require a lot of heat and pressure and are mostly based on fossil raw materials.

Using the example of photobioreactors for the production of algae and the conversion of hydrogen into alternative energy sources, Festo shows how automation can contribute to a significant increase in efficiency in the future and thus to sustainable business.



### **Qing-Shan Jia**

Qing-Shan Jia received his B.S. in automation in 2002 and Ph.D. in control science and engineering in 2006 from Tsinghua University, Beijing. He is a Full Professor and chair of the Institute of Systems Engineering at the Center for Intelligent and Networked Systems (CFINS), Department of Automation, Tsinghua University. He was vice dean of Tsinghua GIX (2016-2019) and vice chair of the Department of Automation (2015-2018). He completed a postdoc at Harvard University in 2006 and held visiting scholar positions at HKUST (2010) and MIT (2013). His research focuses on data-driven, statistical, and computational approaches for design and decision-making in manufacturing, energy, autonomous systems, and smart cities. He is the executive editor-in-chief of Results in Control and Optimization and an associate editor of Science China Information Sciences. Previously, he was an associate editor for several IEEE journals and served on various IEEE and IFAC committees. He is the founding chair of the IEEE RAS Technical Committee on Machine Learning for Automation (since 2023) and a member of the Chinese Automation Association's committees on Control Theory and Information Security of Industrial Systems.

### Event-based reinforcement learning for cyber-physical energy systems, smart buildings, smart grids and smart cities

Friday, August 30th, 2024

### Abstract:

Cyber physical energy system (CPES) is where information and energy merges together to improve the overall system performance including economic, comfort, and safety aspects. Artificial intelligence which are enabled by internet of things (IoT), big data, and cloud computing, has a big role in the optimization of CPES.

In this talk, we focus on event-based reinforcement learning (eRL) which makes decisions according to events instead of states. This method provides a scalable solution for large-scale multi-stage decision making problem in which an accurate model may not be available. The performance of this method will be demonstrated by examples in smart buildings, smart micro-grid of buildings, and smart cities, and in particular on the problem of stochastic matching between the renewable power generation and the uncertain charging demand from the plug-in electric vehicles (PHEVs) in a city.

We will also discuss extensions of this method to distributed optimization. We hope this work sheds light to the optimization of CPES.



#### **Aude Billard**

Aude Billard is a full professor and head of the LASA laboratory at the School of Engineering, Swiss Institute of Technology Lausanne (EPFL). She is also the Associate Dean for Education at EPFL. Prof. Billard is President of the IEEE Robotics and Automation Society, director of the ELLIS Robot Learning Program, and co-director of the Robot Learning Foundation. She leads the Innovation Booster Robotics, funded by Innosuisse. She holds a BSc and MSc in Physics from EPFL and a PhD in Artificial Intelligence from the University of Edinburgh. Prof. Billard is an IEEE Fellow and has received numerous awards, including the Intel Corporation Teaching award, the Swiss National Science Foundation career award, and the IEEE RAS Distinguished Service Award. She has been a plenary speaker at major conferences and has served on organizing committees for numerous international robotics conferences. Her research focuses on machine learning and robotics, particularly on fast and reactive control and safe human-robot interaction. Her work has received several best conference paper awards, the King-Sun Fu Memorial Award for the best IEEE Transactions on Robotics paper, and has been featured in media outlets like BBC, IEEE Spectrum, and Wired.

# Machine learning methods for real-time robot control with theoretical guarantees

Saturday, August 31st, 2024

#### Abstract:

Deployment of robots in human-inhabited environments requires allowing robots to react rapidly, robustly and safely to changes in the environment. Recent advances in machine learning to analyze and model a variety of data offer powerful solutions for real-time control. For these techniques to be efficiently deployed and endorsed, they must be accompanied with explicit guarantees on the learned model.

This talk will give an overview of a variety of methods to endow robots with the necessary reactivity to adapt their path at time-critical situations. The learned control laws are accompanied by theoretical guarantees for stability and boundedness. Paucity of data is a reality in many robotics tasks.

I will present methods by which robots can learn control laws from only a handful of examples, while generalizing to the entire state space. I will present a variety of applications, from dynamic manipulation in interaction with humans to reactive navigation in crowded pedestrian environments.



#### Sonia Diaz Martinez

Sonia Martínez is a Full Professor and Jacobs Faculty Scholar at the Department of Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering, University of California, San Diego. She received her B.S. from Universidad de Zaragoza in 1997 and her Ph.D. in Engineering Mathematics from Universidad Carlos III de Madrid in 2002. She was a Visiting Assistant Professor at the Technical University of Catalonia and held postdoctoral positions at the University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, and the University of California, Santa Barbara. She joined UC San Diego in 2006, becoming an Associate Professor in 2010 and a Full Professor in 2014. Her research interests include networked control systems, multi-agent systems, and nonlinear control theory, with applications in robotics and cyber-physical systems. Prof. Martínez has received the Best Student Paper award at the 2002 IEEE Conference on Decision and Control, the NSF CAREER Award in 2007, and two Control Systems Magazine Outstanding Paper Awards (2008, 2021). She was named an IEEE Fellow in 2018 and is a Senior Editor of Automatica and Editor-in-Chief of the IEEE Open Journal of Control Systems.

#### Measuring and enhancing network resilience: metrics, learning, and defense strategies

Sunday, September 1st, 2024

#### Abstract:

Resilience, understood as the ability of a network to carry out ist goals under adversarial attacks and unexpected failures, is critical for autonomy. Despite important advances in the design of distributed coordination and decision-making algorithms, multiagent networks have proven fragile to targeted attacks. Novel theories and tools are therefore needed to guarantee resiliency of these systems, being the development of notions and techniques that characterize network critical resilience.

However, obtaining such characterizations is difficult as resilience and performance are a complex function of the network's and adversary's capabilities, knowledge, resources, and the network interconnection structure. At the same time, we also need novel design methodologies that can protect multiagent networks and adaptively manage their interconnection over time to achieve performance guarantees.

In this talk, we present our recent progress in these directions including algorithmic methods for metric computation, data-driven algorithms for multi-agent learning, and defense strategies.

#### **Special Sessions**

# Advancements in Intelligent Transportation Systems: Modeling, Control, and Optimization

#### **Organizers**

**Yin Tong** 

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Simona Sacone

University of Genova

In the rapidly evolving landscape of urbanization, the challenges associated with transportation become increasingly complex. Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) have emerged as a crucial solution to address these challenges, leveraging cutting-edge technologies to optimize various facets of urban mobility. The importance of ITS extends beyond mere convenience; it plays a pivotal role in mitigating traffic congestion, enhancing energy efficiency, and ensuring the safety of commuters. In particular, the development of artificial intelligence technology, sensing, and communication technologies has brought unprecedented innovation to the transportation system. Autonomous driving, the Internet of Vehicles, smart logistics, and more have occurred. Central to the evolution of ITS is the development of novel control and optimization techniques that enhance their functionality, effectiveness, and safety. This session serves to gather researchers and practitioners around the world to explore the advances in control and optimization methods of shaping the future of transportation in smart cities and to preview the next steps on the way.

#### Advancements in Modeling, Scheduling, and Control for Autonomous Manufacturing

#### **Organizers**

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Korea Advanced Institute of Science and Technology

#### Mengchu Zhou

New Jersey Institute of Technology

Navigating the escalating demand for customized products while upholding stringent quality standards presents formidable challenges in the effective management of manufacturing systems. These challenges can be effectively met through the realization of autonomous manufacturing, minimizing human intervention. Autonomous manufacturing represents a transformative shift towards intelligent, self-governing production systems that leverage cutting-edge technologies to enhance efficiency, flexibility, and responsiveness within manufacturing processes. This necessitates the imperative adoption of advanced technologies such as reinforcement learning, deep learning, meta-learning, digital twin, and optimization methods. The urgency for autonomous manufacturing is particularly pronounced in industries like semiconductors, displays, batteries, and biopharmaceuticals, where production requirements encompass a myriad of complexities, ranging from time window constraints and limited buffers to sequence-dependent setup times, transport robots, and stringent quality control measures. To address these intricacies, this special session aims to bring together researchers, engineers, scientists, and managers actively involved in the research, development, and operation of manufacturing systems. The objective is to foster a collaborative effort to

tackle the diverse challenges associated with modeling, scheduling, operation, and control for the advancement of autonomous manufacturing.

Advances in Intelligent Healthcare Management

#### **Organizers**

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The healthcare industry in many countries is facing significant challenges of rising costs, limited resources, increasing patient demand, and complex healthcare systems. Intelligent healthcare system integrating emerging technologies such as electronic health records, IoT devices, robotics and automation, AI, and telehealth and online healthcare might provide a promising solution. These technologies also raise challenges to healthcare management in terms of workflow adjustment, streamlining processes, data management, interoperability, ethics, privacy and security, medical quality, and cost and resource management that need to be addressed for effective implementation and utilization. In order for emerging technologies to better empower healthcare delivery systems, new methods and tools are being innovated to transform healthcare system by improving efficiency, decisionmaking, and patient care outcomes. This special session aims to explore the advancements in intelligent healthcare management by researchers, practitioners, and policymakers from different disciplines. In this session, we welcome all contributions that relate to using the modeling and algorithmic approaches and software tools in operations management, medical decision, AI, data analytics, and policy making with application to addressing intelligent healthcare management problems.

#### Al Enabled Discrete Event Dynamic Systems

#### **Organizers**

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Discrete event dynamic systems (DEDS) aim at studying the man-made systems driven by events, such as the systems of manufacturing, transportation, computer, communication, energy, robots, etc. The foundation of DEDS is built on mathematical models, such as Markov models, Petri net, automata, queueing models, etc. The decision and control of DEDS is fundamental to improve the operation efficiency of those man-made systems, which involves the optimization theory such as Markov decision process (MDP), optimal control, supervisory control, etc. Recently, the remarkable successes of AI attract intensive attention on the study of data-driven learning and optimization. One of the main research streams of Al is to handle the dynamic decision-making problem with reinforcement learning, whose mathematical foundation is MDP. Therefore, with these facts, the research development of DEDS theory encounters a crossroad, combining the techniques of AI and enabling the study of DEDS in a manner of data-driven learning and optimization. This special session aims to bring together the international scholars and industry practitioners to discuss the recent progress of DEDS in the background of big development of AI techniques, while focusing on the field of automation science and engineering. The potential topics include but are not limited to the development of

DEDS theory such as Markov systems, Petri net, automata, the development of reinforcement learning & MDP decision theory, the AI enabled solution to dynamic games & multi-agent systems, and the application of above theories to solve engineering problems in the field of automation science and engineering.

# Assembly Lines in Circulation: A Focus on Human-Centric, Sustainable, and Resilient Manufacturing

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In the current era of intense global competition and rapid technological advances, manufactur-

and rapid technological advances, manufacturers must frequently introduce new product variants. Each change in the product family requires the adaptation of manufacturing systems, and the frequent reconfiguration of production lines leads to sustainability challenges. Production resources are prematurely taken out of service, leading to scrapping or, at best, being sold for spare parts. In response to these challenges, the concepts of Industry 4.0 and Industry 5.0 have been introduced. Industry 4.0 represents significant improvements in production efficiency and flexibility through digitization and Al-driven technologies. Industry 5.0 takes these technological advances further, and it focuses on three fundamental principles: sustainability, humancentricity, and resilience. By emphasizing these pillars, Industry 5.0 seeks to address the environmental impact of manufacturing processes, improve the well-being of workers, and fortify systems against unforeseen disruptions. Despite its promising potential, the exploration of Industry 5.0 is still in its early stages, with limited research and a lack of systematic understanding. In this context, this session welcomes original theoretical approaches and new applications that improve sustainability, resilience, and human centricity during the design, maintenance, operation, and decommissioning of assembly lines.

#### Autonomous Systems for Agriculture and Horticulture

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Technology advancements, along with multiple significant issues such as lack of labour and general labour intensity in agriculture tasks, have sparked a rapid growth in agriculture and horticulture automation and robotics over the past 15 years. There are successful demonstrations in different aspects of agriculture and horticulture tasks such as crop and fruit harvesting, flower pollination and thinning, crop and fruit detection in different cycle phases and smart overall monitoring and management of weeds, crops, and fruits. However, it remains challenging for smart systems to achieve the dexterity, complexity, and speed of human motion in completing agriculture and horticulture tasks with full autonomy capability. In addressing these

challenges, this special session aims to reflect on current advancements in automation and robotics technology in agriculture and horticulture that will eventually allow commercial adoption and application in farms, orchards, and greenhouses. The topics include advancements in perception, monitoring and grasping of agriculture and horticulture tasks, fundamental advancements, and applications in enabling full autonomy of ground or aerial vehicles (localization, navigation and mapping) in agriculture and horticulture conditions, systems of systems approach integration, human-robot collaborative work, safety and smart human-assisted tools for agriculture and horticulture tasks.

# Collaborative Robot-Enabled Advanced Manufacturing in the Context of Industry 5.0

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During the Industry 5.0 revolution, robotics has become increasingly significant in advancing manufacturing automation and intelligence. Different from traditional industrial robots, which are fenced off from human workers on production lines, collaborative robots make a tremendous shift to coexist and collaborate with human workers in open environments for manufacturing tasks. This makes robots capable of democratizing manufacturing industries with dynamic customer demands, high flexibility, and low cost. In the human-robot collaborative advanced manufacturing, humans have unmatched problem-solving skills and develop creative and unique solutions compared to robots, which can provide physical assistance, free human partners from dangerous tasks, and lower

the stress of human collaborators. Therefore, the cooperation and interaction between humans and robots for advanced manufacturing should create new potential opportunities and benefits to enhance safety, optimize production, boost efficiency, improve task quality, and increase worker productivity for industry sectors. In both academia and industries, new interdependent and cross-disciplinary research issues arise and need to be addressed to make humanrobot teams more productive and ergonomic. This special session aims to bring researchers, engineers, scientists, and managers engaged in frontier research and technologies of robotics, automation, manufacturing, and cyber-physical systems to investigate and solve different open questions in the field of human-robot collaborative advanced manufacturing. Prospective authors are invited to share their state-of-theart research findings to address the gaps in this area.

#### Decision and Control Techniques for Autonomous Systems

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One of the enabling technologies of the digital transition is Autonomous Systems, which are systems capable of automatically achieving a given goal without the intervention of a human operator. They are able to collect information about the environment in which they operate, process data from multiple sources, and determine and plan actions to be taken to

optimize performance, ensuring the safety of people and the proper functioning of devices. There is no doubt that they will assume a crucial role in society. The purpose of this Special Session is to propose new and innovative decision and control techniques for developing Autonomous Systems, thus enabling sustainable problem-solving in extremely diverse application fields, such as manufacturing processes, automotive, aerospace, defense, road and rail mobility, smart cities, home automation, energy networks, water networks, environmental monitoring, smart agriculture, logistics, telecommunications, biomedicine, green transition, etc. Original articles from both scholars and practitioners are welcome, reporting on concepts and approaches for Autonomous Systems and addressing system and control engineering topics that include but are not limited to i) design and develop autonomous engineering systems, with applications to smart manufacturing, autonomous vehicles, smart grids, robotics, and many more; ii) develop smart control algorithms (e.g., Al-enabled control, data-driven control, vision-based control) for smart environments such as smart cities, autonomous vehicles and mobile robots, smart grids, sustainable mobility systems, smart buildings, and smart homes, iii) develop testing platforms for emerging techniques to advance engineering autonomous system applications (e.g., cyber-physical systems, digital twin techniques).

# Digital Twin for Smart Engineering System Development, Operation and Optimization

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Digital twin, a concept integrating modeling and data analytics, has become increasingly more relevant to engineering system design, development and operation. Different from traditional model-based engineering, a Digital Twin includes a dynamic, virtual representation of a physical system or object managed through the lifecycle of the physical system to best support various engineering purposes. It continuously mirrors the real-world entity by incorporating real-time data and machine learning, employing multiple-level, multiple-fidelity models and simulations, and applying advanced reasoning and fusion for prediction and decision-making. Digital Twins can be applied in various engineering systems, including space vehicles, manufacturing, medical devices, and smart building and infrastructure. They are particularly useful for predicting performance, process control and optimization and maintaining assets like machines, energy networks or entire cities. This special session explores the frontier challenges and solutions associated with the design and application of digital twins for successfully engineering system development and operation.

#### Drivers and Tools for Efficiency Improvement in Industrial and Non-Industrial Processes

#### **Organizers**

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Continuous efficiency improvement in industrial and non-industrial processes represents a crucial challenge in the current energy and digital transition and geopolitical situation. Efficiency can be associated to different processes, e.g.,

plants, machineries, and devices; efficiency can be referred to different points of view, e.g., energy and production. Ad hoc powerful drivers and tools are becoming crucial in this context; furthermore, suitable Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) are needed as metrics for evaluation and certification of efficiency. In this field, the impact of automation science and engineering is growing significantly. The fields of application are increasing also thanks to cross-fertilization between different areas: well-established technologies in a defined area can be extended and customized for other areas. Automation science and engineering systems could be located at different levels of the automation hierarchy; tailored drivers and tools can be detected and developed, while profiting from KPIs in order to evaluate and certify performance and benefits through an objective and unbiased paradigm. The present Special Session aims to collect contributions related to drivers and tools for efficiency improvement in industrial and non-industrial processes with a focus on the impact of automation science and engineering in this field. The Special Session would embrace emerging technologies and best practices. The Special Session will take into consideration research works on simulations in virtual environments and field applications. In addition, contributions on methodologies aimed at bridging the gap between simulations and field application are welcome, together with works on the transition from research to large-scale deployment.

# Emerging Data Science in Manufacturing

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Manufacturing is characterized by capital/laborintensive, the short product life cycle, rapid technology migration, long production lead-time, and complex production networks. These characteristics bring more challenges and difficulties to the manufacturing management. This session focuses on how the data science or machine learning techniques support problemsolving and enhance the core competence in manufacturing industry. The special session focuses on data science and engineering in the broad area of manufacturing. Theoretical research or empirical study are all welcome. The topics in this session include defect classification, maintenance scheduling, predictive maintenance, and process parameter optimization, etc. This session would like to provide a platform that offers opportunities to discuss, debate, and exchange ideas, in particular, in a world-side view of manufacturing system. We invite all the researchers, scholars, and graduates when they would like to develop the mathematical/empirical models and benefit the automation and data science field.

#### Human-Robot Collaboration for Futuristic Human-Centric Smart Manufacturing

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In line with the human-centric concerns of Industry 5.0, modern factories are striving for an ever-higher degree of flexible and resilient production, as conventional automation approach has reached its bottleneck considering mass personalization with increasing complicatedness and complexity. To achieve it, human-robot collaboration (HRC) becomes a prevailing strategy, which combines high accuracy, strength, and repeatability of industrial robots with high flexibility and adaptability of human operators to realise optimal overall productivity. Cuttingedge technologies, including robot learning and control, cognitive computing, mixed reality/metaverse, industrial IoT, and advanced data analytics create the potentials to bridge the gap of knowledge distilling and information sharing between onsite operators, robots and the manufacturing system with mutual cognitions. Therefore, this special session aims to bring together specialists in different fields of manufacturing systems, robotics, artificial intelligence, and other engineering domains to address the foreseeable HRC-empowered humancentric smart manufacturing paradigm characterized with high-level teamwork skills.

# Industrial Foundation Models and Applications in Smart Manufacturing

#### **Organizers**

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Foundation models, characterized by extensive parameters and large-scale training data, stand as strong tools equipped with broad knowledge gleaned from training data. These foundation models showcase prowess in reasoning, abstraction, and interaction in common fields. Despite their versatile capabilities, existing foundation models face challenges in specific domains such as smart manufacturing, primarily due to the absence of domain-specific knowledge. In the domain of smart manufacturing, contemporary factories aspire to elevate flexibility, quality, and intelligence in their production processes. Conventional automation methods, constrained in interaction, flexibility, and decision-making, necessitate transformative solutions. Here, foundation models emerge as valuable solutions with their substantial advancements. This special session is dedicated to Industrial Foundation Models (IFMs), with the aim of enriching foundation models with more domain-specific knowledge tailored for industrial scenarios. The primary objective is to navigate the intricacies of IFM development, addressing challenges related to processing extensive industrial data and formulating innovative training schemes tailored to the unique demands of industrial

scenarios. These training schemes may include training IFMs from scratch, fine-tuning existing foundation models for specific industrial domains, new use of foundation models in the industry, and more. With a focus on smart manufacturing, this session explores the potential of IFMs in automating processes, enhancing capabilities for both humans and machines, with particular applications to product quality monitoring, prognostics and health management, and operations management.

# Innovations in Robotics and Automation for Enhanced Healthcare

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Floating Robotics

Objectives: This special session aims to explore recent advancements and challenges in integrating robotics and automation into healthcare practices. This session seeks to address the latest developments in diagnostic and therapeutic applications, minimally invasive surgery, rehabilitation, daily-life assistance, and efficient management of healthcare procedures. It provides a platform for interdisciplinary discussions among researchers. Justifications: The session is justified by the need to foster collaboration and share insights in the rapidly evolving field of robotics and automation applied to healthcare. Robotics and automation can significantly enhance patient care by providing precise and efficient medical procedures, reducing human error and complications, and enabling faster patient recovery times. In cases where

the availability of healthcare professionals is short, robotics and automation technologies can optimize workforce utilization, through e.g., telemedicine, faster surgical procedures, and shorter hospital stays. This session intends to provide a platform to discuss advancements, share the latest findings, and address the ethical and practical considerations associated with automation and robotics in healthcare. Outcomes: Participants will gain insights into research on robots operating in the human body, surgical robotics, rehabilitation robotics, daily-life and personal assistance devices, wearable technologies, and cognitive robotics. The session aims to inspire collaborative research initiatives and to accelerate the advancements of healthcare robotics.

# Intelligent Operation, Maintenance, and Scheduling in Complex Systems

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Operational optimization of complex systems is a multifaceted challenge that necessitates the infusion of intelligent approaches, like machine learning, reinforcement learning, evolutionary computation, and heuristic algorithms. Combining artificial intelligence technology with the characteristics of a specific complex system to solve its intelligent operation, maintenance, and scheduling problems is a hot research field of academia and an important demand of practical application. Related research can improve operation efficiency, ensure safety and stability, reduce energy consumption, and save production costs. While existing research has made notable strides in tackling these complex issues, numerous related problems persistently remain open, necessitating further investigation and exploration. The research gaps of these challenges present exciting opportunities for researchers and practitioners to delve deeper into uncharted territories and contributing to the ongoing discourse on intelligent system optimization. This special session aims to delve into the intricate realm of intelligent operation, maintenance, and scheduling within complex systems and provide a platform to exchange research results, technical trends, and practical experience related to fault diagnosis, process control, operation research, applied mathematics, and management science. Besides, this session is expected to broaden the intelligent optimization community and promote the application of artificial intelligence in practical complex systems.

# Novel Planning and Control Approaches for Semiconductor Manufacturing

#### **Organizers**

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Ecole Des Mines De Saint-Etienne

Semiconductor manufacturing is one of the most complex manufacturing processes. Due to the increased use of new technologies, the global economy is significantly impacted by the semiconductor industry. Competition in the semiconductor sector is fierce. As a result, the semiconductor industry needs to continually reinvent itself and be resourceful at all decision

levels. Efficient design, analysis, and operation of semiconductor wafer manufacturing facilities and corresponding supply chains are essential. - Various factors can disrupt certain chains of the production networks. For example, the global supply chain has been disrupted by the Covid-19 pandemic which spreads around the world, resulting, for instance, in chip shortage. All this has an impact on the production (product quality, supply, etc.). Subsequently, effective decisions must be taken to conduct production operations at different levels of the supply chain links while addressing disruptions. -To ensure reliable results and reduced operational costs, highly automated manufacturing systems are used to carry out operations and make millions of decisions per day. This requires planning and scheduling methods in manufacturing execution systems (MES) and in logistics/supply chain management tools to support their automated operation. As new trends such as sustainable production, cloud computing, and Industry 4.0 emerge, they also need to be addressed. -The development and application of planning and scheduling methods for these high-cost systems and supply-chains are critical elements in improving their operations. The purpose of the proposed session is to highlight cuttingedge research on semiconductor manufacturing planning, scheduling, and supply-chain management.

# Safe and Secure Human-Machine Interaction: A SMCS Contribution

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Systems Man and Cybernetics and Robotics and Automation Societies both encourage interdisciplinary approaches in engineering that spread among various fields, such as computer science, control systems, electrical engineering, mathematics, mechanical engineering, system engineering, human systems, human organizational interactions, cybernetics, communication and control across humans and machines. This Special Session particularly focuses on human-machine interaction, for which is it is of paramount importance to ensure safety of human beings and security of machines. In fact, improper control of machines might cause accidental harms to operators; and also safety breach can lead the machine to unsafe states and cause damage to the surrounding environment, including operators. The main aim of this session is to collect contributions on the most recent cross-disciplinary techniques to develop Safe and Secure Human-Machine Interaction. Thus, enabling the advancement of modelling, control, and information processing in various related application fields, such as manufacturing, logistics, smart mobility, aerospace, smart cities, networks, etc. In addition, this session is devoted also to the celebration of the Italian SMC Day 2024 by collecting some of the most significant and advanced research and contributions of SMCS and/or RAS Members on the topic. Original articles are welcome, reporting on theories and methods for Safe and Secure Human-Machine Interaction and addressing system and control engineering topics.

#### Smart and Sustainable Manufacturing

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Smart manufacturing, in the era of Industry 4.0, leverages advanced technologies such as the Internet of Things (IoT), artificial intelligence (AI), data analytics, robotics, and cyber-physical systems. The objective is to create intelligent, interconnected, and automated manufacturing systems, thus leading to enhanced productivity, improved quality control, reduced downtime, and increased flexibility. Simultaneously, sustainable manufacturing has gained considerable attention as a means to address the environmental, social, and economic challenges associated with conventional manufacturing. Sustainable manufacturing focuses on minimizing resource consumption, reducing waste generation, optimizing energy usage, and adopting ecofriendly production processes. There is a growing inclination among customers and markets towards digital, customized, and flexible solutions with a reduced environmental impact. This inclination aligns with the central concept of Industry 5.0, which complements the Industry 4.0 approach by placing research at the forefront of the transition to a sustainable, human-centric, and resilient industry. The integration of smart and sustainable manufacturing is pivotal, holding the potential to revolutionize the environmental and economic impact of the manufacturing industry. This session will be an excellent opportunity for networking, collaboration, and knowledge exchange among industry experts, academics, and professionals who are passionate about advancing the field of manufacturing towards a more intelligent and sustainable future.

#### Workshops

# AURA: Acceptance and trUst of Robots in Automation 5.0

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Automation 5.0 represents the cutting-edge evolution of automation technologies within the framework of Industry 5.0, a revolution that further integrates humans into the automation chain. Central to the success of Automation 5.0 is the acceptance and trust of robots by humans. The social acceptance concept, defined as "an individual's psychological state with regard to his or her voluntary or intended use of a particular technology" is crucial in Automation 5.0 for seamless robots' integration into various domains, including manufacturing, healthcare, and transportation. Trust is another fundamental aspect of the HRC in Automation 5.0, enabling humans to rely on robots to perform tasks safely, accurately, and efficiently. Humans should feel confident that robots will operate within defined parameters and respond appropriately to unexpected situations. The aim of this workshop is to bridge roboticists from academia and industry to exchange insights and perspectives on fostering acceptance and trust of robots in Automation 5.0. In the discussion, particular attention will be devoted to the measurement of the key factors influencing human acceptance of robots in industrial settings, i.e., perceived occupational safety, physical ergonomics, cognitive ergonomics, efficiency, design, and privacy. In fact, certain metrics for these factors have already been established in existing literature, while others necessitate additional efforts for quantification and integration into robot design and control. Therefore, the perspectives of experts in this field will be presented aiming at delineating the path for the definition of appropriate functional and non-functional requirements for robots' acceptance to be integrated into their architecture and design.

#### Constrained Control of Vehicle Formations in Industry and Intelligent Transportation Systems: from Model-based to Data-driven Solutions

#### **Organizers**

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**Giuseppe Franzè** University of Calabria This workshop delves into the contemporary challenges of autonomous multi-vehicle systems, particularly focusing on formation control and collision avoidance for multi-agent configurations in the context of Smart Cities and Industry 5.0. The increasing attention to these issues arises from the successful deployment of Unmanned Vehicles (UVs) in Industry 5.0 and Intelligent Transportation Systems. Designing fully autonomous vehicle systems requires addressing key requirements such as precise signal tracking, goal attainment for each vehicle, coordination through formation control tools, and ensuring collision avoidance. However, existing approaches often lack efficiency when overlooking physical limitations in vehicle modelling, compromising their effectiveness in scenarios where geometrical constraints and saturation effects are crucial. The workshop aims to analyze recent advancements in constrained control for multi-vehicle systems, exploring how traditional constrained control techniques and data-driven approaches can be employed independently or in tandem to devise innovative and efficient hybrid control architectures for autonomous multi-vehicle systems moving in shared environments.

The greatest difficulty in implementing RECs is related to connecting the multidisciplinary nature of all the social elements with technological perspectives. These characteristics put in evidence the opportunity, presented by RECs, aimed at defining economic, social, and technical policies to determine changes in a macro sector by acting at a local level. The technical impact of a single REC makes the overall system globally smart while however each local community retain its independence. The starting point of any technical approaches for the construction of RECs must necessarily be linked to the characterization of the reference area, studying the possibility of creating independent or autonomous realities exploiting the territorial resources. The technological development must exploit all possible elements of a REC and all possible optimization and control architectures. The plant technology and energy conversion system must be characterized, on the basis of the available resource. Therefore, the impact of new technologies of RECs in the energy sector is indispensable since it is possible to reduce emissions and reach technological development and to solve energy congestion through incentives and the promotion of energy policies. RECs are also implementable in low energy efficiency contexts. Promoting innovative and replicable models of local and rural community management through hi-tech tools, new collaborations with local authorities and institutions is, therefore, necessary to step forward to a carbon-free society.

# Control, Cooperation, and Resilience in Rural Energy Communities

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# Empowering Human-Robot Collaboration: Shared Autonomy, System Transparency, and Trustworthiness

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The ultimate aspiration of collaborative robotics is to bring robots to a level where they can interact with people in a manner that mirrors human-human interaction. This involves establishing a paradigm of shared autonomy, where robots neither function independently nor act subserviently to humans. Instead, they actively collaborate with human operators and coexist seamlessly, complementing each other's strengths and capabilities to achieve common goals. In this shared autonomy framework, when humans can actively participate in robots' decisional processes and understand the causal relationships of actions, they are more likely to trust robots' autonomous behaviors and collaborate effectively. In turn, when robots leverage shared abstraction models of human reasoning and the context they are operating in, they can better adapt and act proactively to achieve complex objectives. As humans understand robots' actions, they can also provide feedback to refine the shared abstraction models, promoting continuous adaptation and improvement of the collaboration process. Establishing this interconnection is key to building a trustworthy collaboration and unlocking the full potential of human-robot synergy. This workshop aims to bring together different expertise and perspectives in designing, deploying, and evaluating shared autonomy and transparent collaboration to create a common ground for efficient and safe human-robot collaboration.

Regularly lifting heavy loads is considered one of the main factors contributing to work-related musculoskeletal disorders. Industrial exoskeletons have recently seen great developments, with dozens of devices literally invading the market. Robotic exoskeletons have the potential to protect the musculoskeletal system from injury and to reduce the occurrence of chronic musculoskeletal disorders. At the same time, we can observe that the adoption rate is still rather low, suggesting that despite the potential of occupational exoskeletons, there is still room for improvement. This workshop can be seen as a crossing point between the views of industry and academia in the development of exoskeleton technologies. The main objective of this workshop is to make academia aware of market demands and requirements and to make the industry aware of existing solutions and research opportunities. The workshop also includes live demonstrations from both industrial and academic sides, with the main objective of soliciting discussions.

#### Industrial Exoskeletons: Market Demands, Open Challenges and Research Opportunities

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- User-Centric Design: Develop empathy to users, understanding their needs and challenges.
- Creative Problem-Solving: Learn to brainstorm and explore solutions for real-world challenges.
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- Collaborative Innovation: Master teamwork skills essential for successful development in multidisciplinary teams.

#### 2. 21st Century Skills:

- Critical Thinking & Problem-Solving: Sharpen your ability to analyze complex challenges and develop innovative solutions.
- Data-Driven Decisions: Learn to leverage data to make informed choices for your designs.
- Effective Communication: Master communication and collaboration within diverse teams with varying technical backgrounds.

#### 3. Human-Centered Development:

- Designing with Purpose: Explore the power of technology to address critical humanitarian challenges and improve lives.
- Ethical Considerations: Integrate ethical principles and social responsibility into your designs.
- Building Sustainable Solutions: Consider the environmental and social impact of your designs. Become a leader in the future of work. Design solutions that address real-world needs, aligning with United Nations Sustainable Development Goals and promoting positive humanitarian impact.

#### Empowering the Future Workforce: Design Thinking Workshop

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Enhancing
HumanCentered
Automation:
Mastering
Resilient
Multi-Robot
Systems with
Dynamic
Collaboration
and
Heterogeneity

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The current utilization of multi-robot system (MRS) in industry and logistics has delineated a clear demarcation between tasks performed by humans and those by robots, often lacking efficient collaboration and adaptability. Despite their ability to perform numerous tasks, MRS are not sufficiently flexible, particularly in resilient and adaptive operations, which are crucial for dynamic industrial environments. As technology advances, the potential of MRS expands, yet the complexity and challenges within these systems also escalate. This underscores the need for a transformative approach in how these systems are integrated and managed to enhance not only their functionality but also their interaction within human-centric environments. One of the foremost challenges lies in developing systems that are not only resilient, adaptive, dynamic, and scalable but are also designed to transition from human support to automation in a modular fashion as technology and algorithms advance. This modular transition is designed to facilitate a seamless switch between robot and human operation. This includes using teleoperation as a method to bridge the gap when a situation demands human intervention or insight. The system should be equipped with decision-making capabilities to autonomously determine when it requires human assistance, depending on the complexity or unpredictability of the task at hand. Additionally, the system can learn from these human-led interventions, gradually incorporating human strategies and solutions into its algorithms to enhance future autonomous operations, thereby improving adaptability and resilience in dynamic environments. During the workshop, we will explore the potential to construct such systems through a smart orchestrating architecture. This architecture leverages various services in a modular manner, enhancing the flexibility of MRS and fostering a symbiotic relationship with human operators.

Recent development and practice of Robotics 4.0 technologies are getting huge momentum to improve citizens quality of life and well-being and enhance society conditions. Latest advancements delve into the progression from traditional automation to collaborative and cognitive automation, emphasizing the importance of human-robot interaction and cooperation. In this context, the proposed workshop aims at exploring the evolution of robotics and automation across different human-centric technological domains, such as manufacturing, healthcare, transportation, and household tasks, while investing the effectiveness of new solutions for helping people, improving working conditions, transferring applications and economic enhancement of research.

#### French-Italian Workshop on Robotics 4.0

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Human
Movement
Understanding,
Whole-Body
Control, and
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Interfaces in
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Healthcare, and
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Exploration

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Robotics research has drawn much inspiration from humans as a system: in the design of the anthropomorphic aspects of manipulators, sensors, and actuators, approaches for coordinating full body motions, and the higher-level strategies for realizing complex tasks and interacting with the external environment and other humans. Today, robotics as a field has matured to the point where methodologies developed and used in robotics may be leveraged to address research questions in many other fields, ranging from neuroscience to computer animation. Together with the tools from biomechanics, robotics enables our efforts to explore natural human motion, leading to improvements in treatments for patients with neuro-musculoskeletal disorders, and facilitating development of human inspired robots. In recent years, expectations for remotely controlled robots have increased. Progress is being made in the development of technology that allows humans to perform tasks that were previously difficult to be done manually using remote-controlled robots. There are also high expectations for the use of remote-control technology for robots operating in various environments such as underwater and space. Interface technology for remote control using 5th generation mobile communication systems is attracting attention. The main objectives of the proposed TC are: 1)Achieving natural human behavior in remote operations and enabling more sophisticated strategies in complex tasks and interaction with the external environment; 2)Estimating and predicting human movement status and promoting applications in rehabilitation, prosthetic limbs, and exoskeleton design; and 3) Development of strategies to reconstruct human behavior on artificial anthropomorphic systems.

This workshop will explore the convergence of machine learning (ML) with digital twin (DT) technology as a cornerstone for innovation in advanced manufacturing. As manufacturing moves towards and beyond Industry 4.0, the DT concept has emerged as a transformative tool for optimizing manufacturing processes and product lifecycle management. The integration of ML enables predictive maintenance, real-time monitoring, and dynamic optimization. This workshop will focus on the significance of merging ML with DT in the manufacturing sector, driving towards smarter, more efficient, and autonomous systems.

# Machine-learning-driven Digital Twin Construction for Advanced Manufacturing

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This workshop on Machine Learning for Automation (MLA) provides a unique opportunity to explore the cutting edge research and practice on how machine learning is transforming automation, and vice versa. How is ML transforming semiconductor manufacturing? Accelerating the design of next-generation batteries? Making buildings smarter? Achieving safe, green, and inclusive mobility in cities? Evolving automatic virtual metrology? And how to advance fundamental theories and algorithms in MLA practice, such as solving mixed-binary linear programming problems, combining constrained programming and satisfiability solvers, improving data efficiency and robustness, and making AI models explainable? What are the options in commercial software such as Matlab and Simulink for MLA? We provide 10 exciting talks from leading experts to address these questions. Beyond that, a poster session, a demo session, and a panel session would provide great hands-on experience and opportunities to interact with the experts in MLA. This will be a memorable full day workshop for the participants. This workshop is organized by the IEEE RAS TC on MLA, with support from TC on Logistics, TC on Semiconductor Manufacturing, TC on Smart Buildings, and TC on Digital Manufacturing and Human Machine Interaction.

This workshop unites researchers in Soft Robotics, Wearable technologies, and Automation to explore the potential of interactive, flexible soft robotic components. These components hold the key to transitioning hardware automation from structured manufacturing environments to dynamic, human-populated settings where the automation needs can continuously change. We'll discuss use cases ranging from soft grippers and exoskeletons to collaborative manipulators and robots designed for environmental interaction. Al technologies and their synergic use with flexible-reconfigurable hardware will also be covered.

#### Soft Robots and Wearables for Flexible and Interactive Automation

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#### Translating Manufacturing Control and Automation Research to Practice: Examples, Challenges, and Opportunities

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Partnerships and collaborations between academia and industry are imperative for addressing many of the challenges in creating Automation 5.0. The development of sustainable tools and methods, the implementation of new shop floor automation, and the creation of intelligent control tools will require input from both academic and industry researchers. In this workshop, we will explore challenges in developing manufacturing control and automation research in practice, focusing on initiatives, barriers, and collaboration opportunities. As part of this workshop, there will be speakers from both academia and industry who will share their experiences and perspectives on establishing academic-industry relationships. Speakers with global perspectives (USA, Brazil, Switzerland, etc.) will be featured as part of the workshop. In addition, we will have an interactive breakout session and a poster session that will engage attendees and allow them to discuss the 'best practices' and 'lessons learned' from their experiences, as well as provide opportunities to establish close academic and industry partnerships.

#### **Technical Tour**

## Free visits at Polytechnic University of Bari

**Date**: August 28 **Time**: 09:30 - 12:00

**Location**: Campus "Ernesto

Quagliariello" **Cost**: Free

**Note**: Free transportation service is included.

## Guided technical tours at leading industrial companies

**Date**: August 28 **Time**: 12:00 - 18:00

Participants: Limited to 30

Cost: Fee includes transportation service and

lunch.

#### **Companies**

## **MASMEC**

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#### **Events**

## Welcome and Farewell Reception

Welcome: 29 August, 20:00 - 21:30 Farewell: 31 August, 20:00 - 21:00

Included in the (in-person) full and student registration fees

Join us for the Welcome and Farewell Ceremonies. You will enjoy nice moments while indulging in delicious typical Apulian foods. It's a perfect setting to connect with fellow participants.

#### **Gala Dinner**

30 August, Corte di Torrelonga, 20:00 – 23:30

Included in the (in-person) full and student registration fees

Indulge in an evening of elegance at an old Italian Villa — delight in fine dining, entertainment, and camaraderie within the historic walls of this enchanting venue. Transportation service is included.

#### Sightseeing tour of Bari

30 August, 15:30 - 20:00

Included in the (in-person) full and student registration fees

Explore the charm of Bari's old town with a guided sightseeing tour. Transportation service is included.

#### **RAS SAC Events**

#### **Lunch with Leaders**

31 August, 13:00 - 14:00 @ Rooftop

Organizer: Nicola Mignoni

Leaders: Aude Billard, Bengt Lennartson, Carla Seatzu, Dawn Tilbury, Fan-Tien Cheng, Feng Ju, Laura Giarrè, Maria Pia Fanti, Mengchu Zhou, Michael Yu Wang, Qianchuan Zhao, Weiming Shen, Yu Sun

This event is reserved for students and Young Professionals

This free luncheon is open to students and young professional attendees offering the chance to meet and interact with Leaders of RAS and/or Industry. The event will feature informal roundtable discussions over lunch in an exclusive location, which allows participants to receive career advice, gain insight into the future, or simply engage in general conversation to get to know pioneers in the field. Don't miss out on this chance to elevate your networking experience and make meaningful connections with figures in the world of robotics and automation.

#### **Social Hour**

31 August, 21:00 - 22:00 @ Rooftop

Join the RAS Student Activities Committee's Social Hour to meet fellow student attendees, grab a snack and beverage and make networking easier at the conference. Attending a conference as a student can be overwhelming, particularly if you are without an advisor, lab mates, or colleagues. Attending the SAC Social Hour will give you the opportunity to connect with others, which makes it easier to engage in thoughtful conversations on the future of robotics and automation during the remainder of the conference.

#### **RAS WIE Events**

#### WIE Lunch: Automation 5.0 and Engineering for Diversity and Inclusion

August 30, 13:00 - 14:00

**Organizers**: Graziana Cavone, Hyun-Jung Kim,

Georgia Chalvatzaki, Nadia Figueroa

Moderators: Nadia Figueroa, Valeria

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This event focuses on the role of Automation 5.0 in fostering diversity and inclusion in engineering. It features a panel discussion followed by round-table discussions and a buffet lunch, providing ample opportunities for networking and knowledge sharing.



Patrizia Lamberti – Associate Professor of Electrotechnics at University of Salerno, Italy / Chair of the Italian WIE Affinity Group



Calogero Maria Oddo – Associate Professor of Industrial Bioengineering at University Sant'Anna of Pisa, Italy

#### **RAS IAB Event**

The RAS Industrial Activities Board (IAB) is dedicated to fostering the growth of the industrial community within the IEEE Robotics and Automation Society. Our mission is to enhance collaboration between industry and academia by encouraging industrial participation in current activities and initiating new actions beneficial to this community.

#### **Startup/Mentor Office Hours**

August 30, 2024 10:00 – 17:00 @ RAS Corner in the Exposition Area

Connect with IAB experts and mentors to gain insights and advice on your startup ventures. This is a unique opportunity to discuss your ideas, receive valuable feedback, and network with professionals in the field.

#### **Coffee Break**

August 29, 15:30 – 16:00 @ Coffee Break Area Join us for a relaxing coffee break where you can meet and interact with fellow conference attendees. This informal setting provides a great opportunity to network and discuss potential collaborations.

#### **Industrial Panel**

August 29, 16:00 - 17:00 @ Plenary Room

Gain insights into the latest trends and advancements in the industrial sector from leading experts. This panel will feature discussions on cutting-edge technologies and their applications in manufacturing and robotics.

**Moderator**: Andra Keay

Manufacturing 5.0 @ Magna



Alex Zak – Global Director, Corporate R&D, Advanced Manufacturing & Robotics of Magna International Inc.

### Enabling Industry 5.0: Automation Solutions for Automotive @ Masmec



Vito Lazazzera – Innovation Director – Automotive Division, MASMEC S.p.A., Italy.

## Bi-manual Collaborative and Advanced Path Planning in Humanoid Robot RoBee



Fabio Puglia – President and co-founder of Oversonic, Besana, Italy.

## Medium Voltage Smart Grids: Automation for Evolved Operations



Pasquale Massimiliano Girardi – Head of Territorial Unit Barletta-Andria-Trani, Electricity Distribution and Measurement, edistribuzione S.p.A., Italy.

#### Session on the Process and Importance of IEEE Standardization for Automation

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Introducing the opportunity to propose and to work on IEEE standards. The aim is to inform researchers why, when and how to work on such a standard and the processes required.

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**Anchor**: Birgit Vogel-Heuser

## IEEE Robotics and Automation Standards: Introduction and Opportunities



Paulo Jorge Sequeira Gonçalves – Professor at Instituto Politécnico de Castelo Branco | Senior Researcher at IDMEC, Instituto Superior Técnico, Universidade de Lisboa The IEEE Robotics and Automation Society (RAS) has been developing standards since 2011 to formally adopt and confirm best practices in robotics and automation as standards. Its main objectives are to promote: common measures and definitions in robotics and automation; measurability and comparability of robotics and automation technology; integrity, portability, and reusability of robotics and automation technology. The talk will start to briefly introduce the IEEE Standards Association process to develop standards, and presents well-known success stories. The second part of the talk is dedicated to the past, present, and future of the IEEE RAS standards activities. Ranging from the first ever ontological standard for robotics and automation (2015) covering core concepts in this domain, to the most recent on Robot Task Representation (2024), encompassing standards for Map Data Representation and Autonomous Robotics. Current and future efforts will also be introduced in the areas of Human Robot Interaction, Multiple Robots, and Humanoid Robots.

## From open source to your research project: Why standards matter



Stefan Scherzinger – Expert Robotic Ecosystems and Software Integration, Software & Electronics, Research & Development, SCHUNK SE & Co. KG, Brackenheim-Hausen

Researchers in the robotics and automation fields often rely on open-source software for a variety of devices and systems as part of their scientific projects. However, this software is typically developed and maintained by small communities or individuals, which poses challenges as the number of products and ecosystem interfaces continues to grow. In this talk, we will explore SCHUNK's current challenges in developing open-source gripper drivers for robotic ecosystems and motivate the use of standards to address this dilemma.

## Standardized data provision through digital twins (Asset Administration Shell)



Ansgar Kriwet – Festo SE & Co. KG, Executive Board Research and Development, Esslingen

Interoperable and standardized data is critical to shortening time-to-market for machine manufacturers. Automated and errorfree access to information across company boundaries enables data quality and simplifies machine development and factory operations. Aspects discussed are; how the optimal component and machine design can already be identified in a networked virtual environment; and how Digital Twins enable a well-understood international digital language between networked companies. Important working groups for standardized descriptions, data structures and data are for the digital twins will be mentioned.

#### **Awards**

Chair: Michael Yu WANG

#### **Best Conference Paper Award**

Chair: Dezhen Song

Members: Birgit Vogel-Heuser, Jingang Yi

This award is given annually to the author(s) of a paper presented at the IEEE International Conference on Automation Science and Engineering (CASE) that contributed to the notable advancement in automation research: abstractions, algorithms, theory, methodologies, and models that improve efficiency, productivity, quality, and reliability of machines and systems operating in structured environments over extended periods, or that improve the explicit structuring of environments where machines and systems operate.

#### Finalists:

Accelerating Virtual Fixture Estimation for Robot Manipulation Using Reinforcement Learning and Human Demonstrations

Diego Fernandez Prado, Konstantinos Larintzakis, Jan Irsperger, Eckehard Steinbach

Semantic Behaviour Tree Learning through Kinesthetic Demonstrations for Position-Force Controlled Robotic Applications

Lorenzo Fratini, Niccolò Lucci, Matteo Malavenda, Andrea Maria Zanchettin, Paolo Rocco

Hierarchical Reinforcement Learning Based on Planning Operators

Jing Zhang, Emmanuel Dean, Karinne Ramirez-Amaro

#### **Best Application Paper Award**

Chair: Lars Mönch

Members: Feng Ju, Hyun-Jung Kim

This award is given to the author(s) of a paper

presented at the IEEE International Conference on Automation Science and Engineering (CASE), recognizing outstanding applications in the field of automation.

#### Finalists:

Multi-Agent Path Planning for Finite Horizon Tasks with Counting Time Temporal Logics

Peng Lv, Shaoyuan Li, Xiang Yin

Chattering-Free Sliding Mode Control for Position and Attitude Tracking of a Quadrotor with a Cable-Suspended Load

Sara Gomiero, Karl von Ellenrieder

A Geometry Aware Diffusion Model for 3D Point Cloud Generation

Ao Zhang, Zhen Shen, Qihang Fang, Jian Jian Yang, Gang Xiong, Xisong Dong

#### **Best Student Paper Award**

Chair: Raffaele Carli

Members: Qing-Shan Jia, Michela Robba

This award recognizes the best paper authored primarily by a student and presented by the student at the IEEE International Conference on Automation Science and Engineering (CASE). The award is supported by his academic family to honor Professor Yu-Chi (Larry) Ho, a Past President of the IEEE Robotics and Automation Council, which later became the IEEE Robotics and Automation Society.

**Finalists**: A Feature Extraction Framework with Entropy on Graphs for Cross-Dataset Building Fault Detection

Jiajing Huang, Abhidnya Patharkar, Teresa Wu, Jin Wen, Zheng O'Neill, Kasim Candan

Adaptive Responses of Cancer Cells to Tumor Microenvironment Changes: An Evolutionary Model Perspective

Chiara Romano, Alessandro Borri, Maria Domenica Di Benedetto Development of a Novel Multipurpose Robotic End Effector for Fruitlet Thinning and Fruit Harvesting of Apples

Rahul Jangali, Benjamin John McGuinness, Shen Hin Lim, Henry Williams, Ans Qureshi, David Anthony James Smith, Bruce MacDonald, Mike Duke

#### Peter Luh Memorial Best Paper Award for Young Researcher

Chair: Raffaele Carli

Members: Qing-Shan Jia, Michela Robba

This award recognizes the best paper coauthored by a young leading researcher and presented by the researcher at the IEEE International Conference on Automation Science and Engineering (CASE). The award is established in honor of Professor Peter Luh's dedicated service to raising the profile of Automation and supporting young researchers early in their career. Peter Luh was a co-founder of CASE and the founding Editor in Chief of the automation journal, Transactions on Automation Science and Engineering (T-ASE). He was also noted by many of the Robotics and Automation Society volunteers as the first person to reach out to them early in their careers and encourage them to become volunteers. For this reason, this award is specifically dedicated to young researchers holding a PhD degree not older than five years on the last day of the month when the conference is held.

#### Finalists:

An efficient parallel single surrogate objective optimization method for multi-objective black-box problem and its application in processor design

Xiaoliang Lv, Qiaozhu Zhai, Yuhang Zhu, Jianchen Hu, Yuzhou Zhou, Xiaohong Guan

Helical Trajectory Control of Quadrotor UAVs Using Fractional Order Proportional-Integral-Derivative (FOPID) Controller

Ghulam E Mustafa Abro, Ayman M Abdallah, Mohssen E. Elshaar

A Distributed Algorithm for Coordination in Energy Communities

Riccardo Brumali, Guido Carnevale, Ruggero Carli,

Giuseppe Notarstefano

#### **Best Short Paper Award**

Chair: Dezhen Song

Members: Birgit Vogel-Heuser, Jingang Yi

The award is given to the author(s) of a presentation-only paper or abstract presented at the IEEE International Conference on Automation Science and Engineering (CASE).

#### Finalists:

Measuring Healthcare Accessibility in Metropolitan Cities in China

Qing Wang, Leqi Weng, Fanyuan Ma, Jingshan Li

Data-Driven Methods for Virtual Metrology of Sheet Resistance in Physical Vapor Deposition (PVD) Process

Chia-Yu Hsu, You-Wei Cheng, Ming-Yu Lee

Designing Deep Reinforcement Learning-Based Dynamic Machine Allocation with Case Study of a Semiconductor Tool Group

Hsin-Tzu Hsu, Shi-Chung Chang

#### **Best Application Video Award**

Chair: Lars Mönch

Members: Feng Ju, Hyun-Jung Kim

This award is given to the author(s) of a paper presented with outstanding application videos at the IEEE International Conference on Automation Science and Engineering (CASE).

#### Finalists:

Adaptive Incremental Hybrid Impedance Control for Robotic Garment Manipulation

Yukuan Zhang, Dayuan Chen, Alberto Elías Petrilli-Barceló, Jose Victorio Salazar Luces, Yasuhisa Hirata

Strongly-Connected Minimal-Cost Radio-Networks among Fixed Terminals Using Mobile Relays and Avoiding No-Transmission Zones

Francesco Bernardini, Daniel Biediger, Ileana Pineda, Linda Kleist, Aaron Becker

Concentric-Tube-Eccentric-Rod: A Continuum Actua-

tor for Macro-/Micro-Scale Translational Actuation Lingyun Zeng, S.M.Hadi Sadati, Mirroyal Ismayilov, Lukas Lindenroth, Christos Bergeles

## **Best Healthcare Automation Paper Award**

Chair: Mauro Gaggero

Members: Angelo Alessandri, Patrizia Bagner-

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This award is given annually to the author(s) of a paper presented at the IEEE International Conference on Automation Science and Engineering (CASE) that contributed to the notable advancement in Best Healthcare Automation. The award is sponsored by Pinetree Health Technologies Co., Ltd.

#### Finalists:

Fiducial Marker Based Patient-To-Robot Registration and Target Tracking for Automatic Extra-Body Ultrasound Imaging

Yixuan Zheng, Weizhao Wang, Hamza Ferhusoglu, Tharun Subramaniyam, Zhouyang Xu, Kawal Rhode, Richard James Housden

### Accelerating Laboratory Automation through Robot Skill Learning for Sample Scraping

Gabriella Pizzuto, Hetong Wang, Hatem Fakhruldeen, Bei Peng, Kevin Sebastian Luck, Andrew Ian Cooper

#### **Automating 3D Surgical Suture Planning**

Viraj Ramakrishnan, Julia Isaac, Harshika Jalan, Harsha Polavaram, Aviv Adler, Hansoul Kim, Danyal Fer, Ken Goldberg

#### **Satellite Events**

#### **CASE24 Summer School on Autonomous Systems for Smart Cities**

Autonomous systems are increasingly becoming integral to the development of smart cities, encompassing a wide range of applications beyond just vehicles. These systems include drones for surveillance, robots for maintenance, and Al-driven software for managing city infrastructure. Research in this field aims to enhance urban safety, reduce environmental impact, improve public services, and ensure sustainable urban development.

Our Summer School intends to showcase the latest advancements in autonomous systems research relevant to smart cities, providing insights to students, academic researchers, and industrial practitioners. The goal is to explore the integration of autonomous systems into various smart city scenarios, including traffic management, public safety, waste management, and energy efficiency.

The summer school will be supported by the RAS TC Automation Cluster and the following RAS Technical Committees: Automation in Logistics, Agricultural Robotics and Automation, Digital Manufacturing and Human-Centered Automation, Performance Evaluation & Benchmarking of Robotic and Automation Systems.

#### **Organizers**

Maria Pia Fanti Angela Faragasso Prolytechnic University of Bari University of Tokyo Da

**Birgit Vogel-Heuser** Fabio Bonsignorio
Technical University of Munich University of Zagreb

#### **Program**

**Date**: August 28th, 2024 **Time**: 8:30 - 17:00

## 3rd International Conference on Visual Pattern Extraction and Recognition for Cultural Heritage Understanding (VIPERC 2024)

The VIPERC 2024 on Visual Pattern Extraction and Recognition for Cultural Heritage Understanding aims to be a satellite event of IEEE CASE 2024, presenting academic and industry papers on big data, data mining and knowledge discovery, machine learning and deep learning, 3D modeling and simulation (structural, thermal, functional and acoustic analysis), software engineering, and, more generally, aspects related to digital transition for visual pattern extraction, analysis, and recognition to preserve cultural heritage.

VIPERC 2024 welcomes contributions from various research areas related to the digitization of cultural heritage, building recovery, conservation, and maintenance, leveraging current technologies and the support of robotics and automation. It also favours the participation of young research scholars who want to present their early-stage in-progress academic work.

#### **Organizing committee**

General Chairs Alessia AMELIO University of Chieti-Pescara

**Drahomira CUPAR**University of Zadar

**Valentino SANGIORGIO** University of Chieti-Pescara Program Chairs Marijana TOMIĆ University of Zadar

**David RAMÌREZ SOLANA**Polytechnic University of Bari

**Sergio MONTELPARE** University of Chieti-Pescara

**Luca VIRGILI** *Marche Polytechnic University* 

**Alex MIRCOLI** *Marche Polytechnic University* 

#### **Useful Information**

#### The Nicolaus Hotel

The Nicolaus Hotel is an elegant hotel and conference center a few step away from Bari city center.

The hotel offers a welcoming atmosphere and an immediate sense of belonging. The interiors are full of light, with functional and technological spaces combined with art and creativity. It has 174 comfortable and elegant rooms, 15 modular and technical meeting rooms, a cozy and private wellness area, and 5 exclusive dining locations.

In addition, the Nicolaus Hotel has a large Congress Centre divided into 15 modular and technical conference rooms seating up to 1000 and qualified professional staff to support the conference's activities.











#### How to Reach the Nicolaus Hotel

If you stay at Nicolaus Hotel, you can benefit of the *free bus shuttle service* from/to the Bari Airport. The service is upon availability at scheduled times, and it need to be booked a least 24 hours before your arrival (and departure). For further information contact the Nicolaus Hotel.

If you do not stay at Nicolaus Hotel, from the Airport of Bari (*Aeroporto*, in Italian) you can easily reach the Main Railway Station (Bari Centrale) by *train*, *bus*, and *taxi service* (see below). From there, take a *city-bus* operated by AMTAB to the Nicolaus Hotel.



#### By train

A 20-minute *train*, operated by *Ferrotramviaria*, connects Bari Airport to/from Bari Centrale (the Main Railway Station, or FS Station). The entrance of the "Ferrotramviaria Railway Station" is located on the right side of the main entrance of the Airport. There are on average two trains per hour and a single ticket costs € 5.00. Ticket can be purchased at the *box office* of the station, or at the automatic *ticket-machines*, or online through the *Ferrotramviaria App* (download by scanning the QR Code).





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#### By bus shuttle

A 30-minute public bus shuttle to/from Bari Airport and Bari Centrale operated by Tempesta Autolinee (stops and timetables shown here can change, always check on the website). The bus stops in front of the arrivals and departures exit (at the Airport) and in "Aldo Moro" square (at the Main Railway Station). You can purchase a single ticket for € 4.00 directly on the bus before departure.

Alternatively, you can take directly a city-bus (*line 16*) from Bari Airport to the Main Railway Station for € 1.50 (on board). The travel duration is around 40 minutes. Further information on stops and timetables on the AMTAB website.

#### By taxi

A taxi to the city center costs approximately € 25.00 – 30.00. Further information at https://bari.airports.aeroportidipuglia.it/da-e-per-gli-aeroporti/type/taxi/

#### **Discover Bari**

Bari is the capital city of Apulia Region (or Puglia, as it is known to the locals). While keeping strong ties with its own traditions, it represents a modern city, as well an important economic center, in the whole Southern Italy. Bari is a highly multifaceted city, and you really need to discover every single aspect to understand its true core.

Known as the *Gateway to the East* due to its long tradition of trade, this capital of Apulia is rich in history. Exploring the historic city center allows us to discover its most authentic character, with signs of its past scattered through the local alleyways and endless examples of age-old traditions passed from generation to generation. Then, the famous Bari promenade offers one of the most beautiful view in Italy, overlooking the

clear sea and the unique charm of Bari.

Bari is composed of four urban sections. In the northern city area, there is the Old Town (also called *Bari Vecchia*) between two modern harbours, with the *Basilica of San Nicola* (Saint Nicolaus), the *Cathedral of San Sabino*, and the *Hohenstaufen Castle of Frederick II*, which is now also a major nightlife district. In the southern district, the *Murat quarter* (erected by Joachim Murat), the modern heart of the city, is laid out on a rectangular grid-plan with a promenade on the sea and the major shopping district.

Today, this dynamic city, nestled in the heart of the countryside, punctuated by white dry-stone walls, still holds dear the memory of its seafaring exploits of the Middle Ages, as well as its precious monuments and striking churches.







#### **Getting around Bari**

To reach the most suggestive areas of Bari there is no better service than that offered by the public AMTAB urban transport network, with several city-buses.

A ticket costs €1 (€1.50 if bought on board). Further information on lines, stops, and timetables on the AMTAB website, or check

out the travel planner dashboard. You can instead download the MUVT App, which allows you to consult the timetables of the rides, create travel itineraries and buy tickets directly from your smartphone.

As an alternative, you can always take a taxi in Bari Centrale.

#### **Top Suggested Tourist Attractions in Bari**

A perfect city for those who love the sea, but also for avid explorers: what to see in Bari? We have shortlisted some *popular sites* that you must absolutely visit.

#### **Bari Vecchia**

A tour of *Bari Vecchia* is perfect to get stuck into the heart of this Apulian capital. The San Nicola district spans between the two ports of Bari, the old and the new, overlooking the seafront of Bari. The historical centre of the city, dating back to the Middle Ages, is encircled by walls. While exploring the narrow streets, take a moment to admire the women making traditional Apulian *orecchiette* pasta by hand.



#### **Basilica of San Nicola**

The Basilica of San Nicola is an important Romanesque church located in the heart of the old town. Built between 1087 and 1197, the basilica houses the relics of Saint Nicholas, Bishop of Myra, making it a place of pilgrimage for Christians around the world. Its imposing facade and majestic interior, with frescoes, columns and the famous ciborium, testify to the historical and spiritual richness of this site.

#### The Swabian Castle by Frederick II

The Norman-Swabian Castle of Bari is a majestic medieval fortress located in the heart of the city. Built in the 12th century by the Normans and later enlarged by the Swabians, the castle is a significant example of military architecture. With its imposing towers, the mighty walls and the impressive moat, the castle tells the story of the successive dominations in Puglia. Today it hosts exhibitions and cultural events, offering visitors a fascinating journey into the past.





#### **Cathedral of San Sabino**

The Cathedral of San Sabino is a masterpiece of Apulian Romanesque architecture, located in the historic center of Bari. Built in the twelfth century, it is dedicated to San Sabino, bishop of Canosa. The Cathedral is renowned for its austere facade and intricate interior decorations. Inside, visitors can admire the precious mosaic floor and the crypt that houses the relics of the saint.

#### **Bari Promenade**

Bari Promenade, also known as *Lungomare Nazario Sauro*, stretches for several kilometers along the coast, offering a breathtaking view of the Adriatic Sea. Built in the 1920s, the promenade features elegant street lamps, benches and palm trees, creating a relaxing atmosphere for walking, jogging and cycling. It is a great place to watch the sunset and enjoy the sea breeze, with numerous bars and restaurants offering local specialities along the way.





#### **Orecchiette's Street**

Another must-visit destination for food enthusiasts is the *Strada delle orecchiette* (Orecchiette's Street) in Bari Vecchia (the Old Town). Here, amidst the narrow streets, local women showcase their artisanal skills by handcrafting the famous orecchiette pasta right outside their homes. Visitors can witness the meticulous process of pasta-making and even sample these freshly made delicacies.

#### Find out more about Puglia

In recent years, Puglia has gradually built a reputation as a bridge between West and East, that mirrors an increasingly multi-cultural, open, tolerant and friendly community, connecting people, individuals and businesses, from *different countries and cultures*.

#### **Puglia's Gastronomy**

The region's cuisine is based on typical products found within the surrounding region of Apulia: wheat, olive oil, seafood and wine. Local flour is used in homemade bread and pasta production including, most notably, the famous orecchiette ear-shaped pasta.

Homemade dough and olive oils are also used to bake fried *panzerotti* with mozzarella, and *focaccia alla barese* with tomatoes. Perhaps, Bari's most famous dish is the oven-baked *Patate*, *riso e cozze* (potatoes with rices and mussels). The whole Apulian region have a range of wines, including the classical *Primitivo*, *Castel del Monte*, *Muscat*, and several *rosé wines*.

While attending the conference, take some time to explore the region's rich culinary her-

itage. Known for its delicious seafood dishes and traditional Pugliese cuisine, Bari offers a gastronomic experience like no other. Be sure to visit local trattorias and osterias to experience the region's authentic flavors.

The Baresi are also very fond of vegetables, especially *chicory* and *fava beans* they combine in a wonderful hearty dish. We also recommend a pasta dish unique to the region *-spaghetti all'assassina-*, which is dried pasta cooked only in a heady sauce of tomato and wine and then topped with cool ricotta. The pasta stays firm, much more so than mere al dente, and has a delightful chewiness to it. The "assassin" reference is to the chili peppers that make this a fiery killer of a dish, said to be created in Bari in the 1970s.









#### **Beaches and Nature in Puglia**

Bari is the ideal setting for a refreshing swim along the captivating Italian coastline. Discover the white high cliffs, the sandy beaches with crystalline waters, and the charming towns along the coast. Plan your visit to experience the scenic wonders Puglia has to offer on our website.

Nature around in Puglia is magnificent. The white high cliffs of *Mattinata* and *Vieste*, the long sandy beaches with crystalline water,

the grottoes of Castellana Grotte, the second European biggest Canyon of the Gravina di Laterza, the bauxite querry in Otranto, the beautiful little towns on the sea like Polignano, Monopoli, and Gallipoli, the little cities surrounded by acres of olive groves like Martina Franca, the white city of Ostuni, and may other special places make the Apulia region an incredible land to be discovered step by step.



#### **History and Culture in Puglia**

A vacation in Puglia means also history and culture, thanks to the many museums and archaeological sites across the area. Like that of so many parts of southern Italy, Puglia's history is a tangled web indeed!

Its strategic position and its fertile soil made it an attractive proposition. In the 8th century BC, it became a Greek colony and was part of Magna Graecia. *Taranto* was one of the most flourishing cities during this period. In 272 BC, the Romans conquered the region, leaving behind a wealth of archaeological sites. In the Middle Ages, Puglia was ruled by *Goths*, *Lombards*, *Arabs*, *Normans*, and *Byzantines*, each leaving their mark on the region's culture and architecture.

The cultural and historical heritage in Puglia is witnessed by many landmarks: St. Nicholas' Basilica, the Swabian Castle by Frederick II, the Margherita Theatre and the Petruzzelli Theatre (in the town of Bari). Castel del Monte octagonal castle by Frederick II (in the town

of Andria), the *Trulli* stone huts in the Unesco World Heritage Site of Alberobello (in the province of Bari), the *Lecce* Baroque (in the town of Lecce), and many more.

You can plan your trip with the Puglia official tourism portal *Puglia turismo*.



#### **Top Suggested Tourist Attractions in Puglia**

Bari is situated in the center of Apulia, making it simple reaching a lot of interesting and fascinating tourist attractions all around the region. We suggest *some location* that you cannot absolutely miss.

#### The majestic Cathedral of Trani

The Cathedral of San Nicola Pellegrino in Trani has a typical Apulian Romanesque style, built during Norman rule, features light pink limestone tuff. The 58-meter high bell tower, constructed between the 13th and 14th centuries, offers breathtaking views from the top. The complex includes the Upper Church dedicated to San Nicola Pellegrino, the Lower Crypt housing his relics, and the Hypogeum of San Leucio, accessible via a staircase from the left nave.



#### How to reach it?

By train: from Bari Centrale (the Main railway station), take a regional train to Trani. The journey takes about 30-40 minutes. There are numerous trains operated by Trenitalia throughout the day. For prices and timetables check at Trenitalia website.



#### The spectacular cliffs of Polignano a Mare

Polignano a Mare is a stunning Apulian town overlooking the Adriatic. It was named the most welcoming resort in the world for 2023 by Booking.com's Traveller Review Awards. The ranking, based on 240 million verified reviews, highlights the town's natural and cultural heritage, food and wine, local traditions, and exceptional tourist facilities and services.

#### How to reach it?

- By train: from Bari Centrale (the Main railway station), take a regional train to Polignano a Mare. The journey takes about 30-40 minutes. There are numerous trains operated by Trenitalia throughout the day. For prices and timetables check at Trenitalia website.
- By coach: from "Largo Ciaia" (Ciaia Square), take a coach to Polignano a Mare. The journey takes about 45 minutes. There are numerous trains operated by Ferrovie del Sud-Est (FSE) throughout the day. For prices and timetables check at FSE website.

#### The famous Stones of Matera

Matera is a very fascinating city of Basilicata region, also known as "the second Bethlehem" for its historical and picturesque charm. Everyone remembers Mel Gibson's famous film "The Passion of Christ", but probably few know that it was shot here. Its famous Sassi, ancient cave dwellings, were inhabited until the 1950s and are now a UNESCO World Heritage site.



#### How to reach it?

- By train: from Bari Centrale FAL railway station ("Aldo Moro" Square, close to the Main station), take a regional train to Matera. The journey takes about 1 hour and half. There are numerous trains operated by Ferrovie Appulo Lucane (FAL). For prices and timetables check at FAL website.
- By coach: from Bari Centrale Bus Station (Capruzzi street), take a coach to Matera. The journey takes about 1-1:20 hour. There are numerous journeys operated by Flixbus, Marinobus, and Bus Miccolis. For prices and timetables check at companies websites.



#### Monopoli: the City of 100 Lands

The city owes this name to its *numerous districts*, each with unique features like beaches, countryside, farms, and historic centers. Its *Cathedral* is a Baroque masterpiece, while the coastline boasts hidden coves and sandy beaches. The surrounding countryside is rich with diverse crops such as olives, almonds, and fruits.

#### How to reach it?

By train: from Bari Centrale (the Main railway station), take a regional train to Monopoli. The journey takes about 30-40 minutes. There are numerous trains operated by *Trenitalia* throughout the day. For prices and timetables check at Trenitalia website.

#### The octagonal castel of "Castel del Monte"

Placed in Andria, it is known for its octagonal structure, unique in the world, which made it one of the most important examples of medieval architecture in Italy, as well a UNESCO World Heritage Site. All rooms of the castle have an octagonal shape. There are 8 rooms both on the ground and first floor. The building is surrounded by 8 towers that have octagonal plans and are arranged on the eight edges of the plant.



#### How to reach it?

■ By train + coach: from Bari Centrale (the Main railway station), take a regional train operated by *Trenitalia* to Trani (the journey takes about 30-40 minutes). Then, from Trani railway station take a coach operated by *COTRAP* to Andria-Castel del Monte (the journey takes about 1 hour). For prices and timetables check at Trenitalia and COTRAP websites.



#### Ostuni: the white city

Known as the White City, Ostuni is a really pretty town in the land of Salento. It is famous for its historic center characterized by buildings and houses of white lime. The custom of using lime for construction is very old and it seems that it derived also because in the Middle Ages it was thought to be a natural disinfectant against the plague.

#### How to reach it?

By train + bus: from Bari Centrale (the Main railway station), take a regional train, operated by Trenitalia, to Ostuni (the journey takes about 50 minutes). Then, from Ostuni Trenitalia railway station. take a local bus, operated by S.T.P. Brindisi s.p.a. (a COTRAP company) to Ostuni Centro Storico to reach the city center (the journey takes about 15 minutes). For prices and timetables check at Trenitalia and COTRAP websites.

#### How to reach it?

- By train: from Bari Centrale (the Main railway station), take a regional train to Putignano (the journey takes about 50 minutes). Then, from Putignano take another regional train to Alberobello (the journey takes about 30 minutes). a There are numerous trains operated both by Trenitalia and Ferrovie del Sud-Est (FSE) throughout the day. For prices and timetables check at Trenitalia and FSE websites.
- By coach: from "Largo Sorrentino" (Sorrentino Square), take a coach to Alberobello. The journey takes about 1 hour. There are numerous journeys operated by Ferrovie del Sud-Est (FSE) throughout the day. For prices and timetables check at FSE website.



#### **Castellana's Caves**

Rightly called *Meraviglia di Puglia*, the Grottoes of Castellana represents a complex of underground cavities of karst origin, located in the Municipality of Castellana Grotte, in the south-eastern Murge of the Apulian region. Their extraordinary beauty and geological importance makes these caves one of the most spectacular speleological attractions in Italy, with stalactite and stalagmite formations, large caves and fascinating underground passages.

#### How to reach it?

By coach: from "Largo Sorrentino" (Sorrentino Square), take a coach to Castellana Grotte (the journey takes about 1:20 hour. There are numerous journeys operated by Ferrovie del Sud-Est (FSE) throughout the day. For prices and timetables check at FSE website.

#### **Phrasebook**

Although officially recognized as Italian, the language spoken in Bari is heavily influenced by various linguistic elements, leading to the conclusion that the *Barese dialect* can be considered a distinct language.

We have shortlisted here some funny common expressions in the Bari dialect to assist you in navigating the area. These unique expressions offer you a glimpse into the rich cultural tapestry of this charming coastal city. Whether you're wandering the ancient streets or enjoying the local cuisine, mastering a few phrases in Barese will enhance your experience and endear you to the locals.

#### **Aivògghìie** → Sure

It means Sure, but it mostly means a "yeah I've done it a while ago, don't worry". You would use it in the context of someone asking you if you've finished studying for a test, and you've done all you needed to do.

#### **Assàje** $\rightarrow$ A lot

Used to indicate a large quantity, e.g., "Mi piace assàje" means "I like it a lot".

#### **Cannéstr** $\rightarrow$ Basket

Used for shopping or carrying items, e.g., "Prendi il cannéstr per la frutta" means "Take the basket for the fruit".

#### **Cazzaròle** $\rightarrow$ Cooking pots

This term refers to pots and pans in the kitchen, e.g., "Metti l'acqua nelle cazzaròle" means "Put the water in the pots".

**Ce st'á fètt?** → What's wrong with you? It is used humorously when someone is acting strangely, like "Uagliò, c' se' fètt?", which means "What's causing you to feel unwell?".

Ch' la fèscia?  $\rightarrow$  What are you doing? This expression is often used in a playful manner to ask someone what they're up to, like "Ehi, ch' la fèscia?".

#### **Che scamàgne!** $\rightarrow$ What a mess!

Used when something is chaotic or disorganized, e.g., "La tua stanza è un scamàgne!".

#### **Chiùne** $\rightarrow$ To snore

Used to describe someone snoring loudly. If you share a room and your roommate snores, you might say, "Uà, chiùne come 'nu trattore!", which means "Wow, he snores like a tractor!".

#### **Dambonde** $\rightarrow$ Over there

Dambonde means that it's right over there. So, if you're looking for the bathroom and you're in a restaurant in Bari you'll probably hear the waiter tell you "Dambonde", as in it's down there.

#### **Fèsse** $\rightarrow$ Idiot

A mildly derogatory term used to call someone an idiot or a fool. It's often used among friends in a teasing manner, like "Ah, uagliò, si proprie 'nu fèsse!" meaning "Ah, dude, you're such an idiot!".

# **M'ha fatt' murì** $\rightarrow$ You've killed me (with laughter)!

This expression literally means "You've killed me". It is used when someone makes you laugh a lot, like "M'ha fatt' murì con quella battuta!", meaning "You made me laugh a lot".

#### **Mannile** $\rightarrow$ Towel

So, you're down south and you want to go to the beach but you don't know how to ask for one? Go with "Asciugamano" first (the towel), but they might answer with "aaaaaah un mannile?".

#### **Mbrugghià** $\rightarrow$ To cheat

Often used in the context of games or relationships, e.g., "Non mbrugghià", which means "Please don't cheat, play fair".

#### Mò → Now

It literally means "now". For example, when you ask someone "When do I have to do this thing?", and he/she answer you "right now", he/she could says "Mò!".

#### **Moh** → Wow!/Incredible!

Moh, which is not to be confused with Mò, is used as an inter-layer for any expression of surprise (positive or negative).

# **Non tene cè ffà!** $\rightarrow$ Someone who has nothing to do

You got one of those lazy friends that needs a little pep talk, go in straight-faced, and start shouting in Barese to them. Drop-in a "Non tene cè ffà!", so you'll scare him straight into being less lazy.

#### Nuje $\rightarrow$ We/Us

This is a colloquial way to say "we" or "us" in Bari, as well all around Puglia. For example, "Nuje amma sci' a mare" means We are going to the beach.

#### **Nz'è manghiàte** $\rightarrow$ He/She didn't eat

This phrase is used when someone hasn't eaten. For example, if you're concerned about a friend, you might say, "Nz'è manghiàte tutta la giornata!".

#### **Sbrindulèt** $\rightarrow$ Clumsy person

A playful term for someone who is always clumsy. It's used to tease a friend or family member who is accident-prone. For example, if your friend keeps knocking over their drink, you could say, "Sei un vero sbrindulèt!" meaning "You're such a clumsy person!".

#### **Scè** $\rightarrow$ Come on

It is an expression of encouragement or disbelief, e.g., "Scè, non ci credo!" letterally means "Come on, I don't believe it!".

#### **Sciatà** $\rightarrow$ To rest

Thi expression is perfect for those lazy afternoons. After a very heavy lunch, you can say "Dopo pranzo mi voglio sciatà" which means "After lunch, I want to rest".

#### **Sciuscià** $\rightarrow$ To stroll around

This term means to take a leisurely walk, often without a specific destination. It's perfect for describing a relaxed evening walk along the seafront.

#### **Stràcquate** $\rightarrow$ Exhausted

When you're extremely tired (maybe after a hard walking), you can say "Sono stràcquate" meaning "I'm very exhausted after this walk".

#### **Uagnèdde** → Young girl

It represents an affectionate term for a young girl: "Quidde uagnèdde è proprio simpatica!" means "That young girl is really nice!".

#### **Uagliò** $\rightarrow$ Dude/Bro

This is a term of endearment or casual address for a friend, similar to "dude" or "bro" in English. You might hear it among friends at a café or bar.

#### **Uè mà!** $\rightarrow$ Hey, buddy!

This is a friendly greeting among friends, similar to "Hey, man!", "Uè mà, tutto appòste?".

# **Vattinne và!** $\rightarrow$ Come oon!/Suuure!/Get out of here!

This one is pretty much universal in southern Italy. You'll hear this when someone says some tall tale that is in no way real. It literally means "get out of here", but it's to be interpreted as the Sopranos style "Geeet out a'heeere!".

#### **Vamm'bràje!** $\rightarrow$ Leave me alone!

This expression is used when you want someone to stop bothering you. For instance, if a street vendor keeps pestering you to buy something, you can say, "Vamm'bràje!".

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CO2 Laser Welding of Low-Density Polyethylene for Soft Linear Eversion Robot Fabrication

Brandon Saldarriaga, Carlo Alberto Seneci, S.M.Hadi Sadati, Zicong Wu, Kawal Rhode, Christos Bergeles

Manipulation and Handover Planning for Dual-Arm Robots

Matteo Colombo, Luca Beretta, Andrea Maria Zanchettin, Paolo Rocco

Serving Time: Real-Time, Safe Motion Planning and Control for Manipulation of Unsecured Objects

Zachary Brei, Jonathan Michaux, Bohao Zhang, Patrick Holmes, Ram Vasudevan

A Hierarchical Manipulation Planning Framework Combining Striking, Pushing and Pick & Place Motion Primitives

Priyansh Sinha, Prakrut Kotecha, Nagamanikandan Govindan

Optimization and distributed control in System of Systems Engineering

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Cooperative Roundabout Navigation: Distributed Predictive Control with Virtual Platooning in Mixed Traffic

Alessandro Bozzi, Simone Graffione, Roberto Sacile, Enrico Zero

Strategic Path Control to Balance Risks between Competing Teams in Graph Network

Matteo Aicardi, Roberto Sacile, Enrico Zero

Recovery Techniques for a Multi-UAV System Transporting a Payload

Andrea Delbene, Marco Baglietto

Neural Network-Based Prediction of Import Container Outflows Via Trucks: A System-Of-Systems Analysis in Port Terminals

Rexhina Hoxha, Alessio Olmo, Cecilia Caterina Pasquale, Roberto Sacile, Simona Sacone, Enrico Zero

Efficient Multi-Robot Task Allocation with Nonsmooth Objective Functions for Persistent Monitoring in Large Dispersed Areas

Muhamad Rausyan Fikri, Made Widhi Surya Atman, Yury Nikulin, Azwirman Gusrialdi

Concurrent Design Optimization of Shared Powertrain Modules in a Family of Electric Vehicles

Maurizio Clemente, Mauro Salazar, Theo Hofman

# In-field Digital technologies, Robotics and AI for Sustainable Agriculture II

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Nico Catalano, Monica Leone, Matteo Matteucci

A Distributed Multi-Agent Control Strategy for Agricultural Row Following

Arianna Rana, Annalisa Milella, Antonio Petitti

GMOS Based Multi-Gas Sensing System for Fruit Environment

Adir Krayden, Hanin Ashkar, Moshe Avraham, Dan Aronin, Tanya Blank, Sara Stolyarova, Dima Shlenkevitch, Yael Nemirovsky,

Enhancing Small Object Detection in the YOLOv8 Model: A Comprehensive Analysis of the Optimized Model Head Adaptations

Firozeh Solimani, Angelo Cardellicchio, Giovanni Dimauro, Alba Mininni, Maria Calabritto, Roberto Di Biase, Angelo Petrozza, Stephan Summerer, Francesco Cellini, Vito Renò

## Multi-UAV Active Sensing for Precision Agriculture Via Bayesian Fusion

Luca Pierdicca, Dimitri Ognibene, Vito Trianni

In Search of Compositional Multi-Task Deep Architectures for Information Theoretic Field Exploration Emanuele Masiero, Sathya Bursic, Vito Trianni, Giuseppe Vizzari, Dimitri Ognibene

# Advancements in Intelligent Transportation Systems: Modeling, Control, and Optimization II

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A Comprehensive Optimization Model for Iron Transportation Scheduling under the Large Cycle Mode Yajun Zhang, Liang Ma

# AGV Traffic Management in Automated Industrial Plants: An Enhanced Lifelong Multi-Agent Path Finding Approach

Alessandro Bonetti, Silvia Proia, Simone Guidetti, Lorenzo Sabattini

#### A Planning Algorithm for Dispatching and Smart Charging Operations of Autonomous Delivery Robots in Pedestrian Areas

Virgilio Bachi, Simone Graffione, Cecilia Caterina Pasquale, Silvia Siri

#### An Optimization Model of Wagon-Flow Allocation Considering Pick-Up and Delivery Operations at the Railway Technical Station

Shumei Tao, Liang Ma, Wentao Guo

# Safe Optimal Train Formation Control in Virtual Coupling Using Control Barrier Functions

Yike Li, Yin Tong, Alessandro Giua

#### Singularity-Free Lagrange-Poincaré Equations on Lie Groups for Vehicle-Manipulator Systems Borna Monazzah Moghaddam, Robin Chhabra

# Digital Twin for Smart Engineering System Development, Operation and Optimization II

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Knowledge Constrained Deep Clustering for Melt Pool Anomaly Detection in Laser Powder Bed Fusion Erfan Ziad, Zhuo Yang, Yan Lu, Feng Ju

## An Overarching Quality Evaluation Framework for Additive Manufacturing Digital Twin

Yan Lu, Jiarui Xie, Mutahar Safdar, Zhuo Yang, Hyunwoong

Ko, Li Shengyen, Fatemeh Elhambakhsh, Yaoyao Fiona Zhao

#### High Fidelity Multiphysics Finite Element Model of an Induction Motor for Generating Virtual Fault Data in Bearings

Dayeon Jeong, Seho Son, Kyung Ho Sun, Byeong Chan Jeon, Seung Hwan Lee, Ki-Yong Oh

#### Real-time Service Capacity Allocation with Advance Arrival Information and Instantaneous Services

Meng Li, Yu He, Lili Guo, Feifan Wang

# Investigation on Domain Adaptation of Additive Manufacturing Monitoring Systems to Enhance Digital Twin Reusability

Jiarui Xie, Zhuo Yang, Chun-Chun Hu, Haw-Ching Yang, Yan Lu, Yaoyao Fiona Zhao

### A Distributed AM Architecture with Digital Twin for L-PBF Cluster

Chun-Chun Hu, Haw-Ching Yang, Yan Lu, Yung-Chou Kao, Fan-Tien Cheng

# Safety in Autonomous Systems: from Fault Detection to Fault Prognosis

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#### Digital Twin for Electric Vehicle Monitoring

Luca Cavanini, Pawel Majecki, Mike J. Grimble, Alan Devine, Curt Hillier

### Battery State-Of-Charge Estimator Design Based on the Least-Squares Support Vector Machine

Luca Cavanini, Pawel Majecki, Mike J. Grimble, Gerrit Van Der Molen

## Adaptive Control of Quadrotor under Actuator Loss and Unknown State-Dependent Dynamics

Saksham Gupta, Amitabh Sharma, Aditya Mulgundkar, Rishabh Dev Yadav, Spandan Roy

## Runtime Anomaly Monitoring of Human Perception Models for Robotic Systems

Hariharan Arunachalam, Zhuoling Huang, Marc Hanheide, Leonardo Guevara

# Fault Detection and Isolation for a Standard Quadrotor Using a Deep Neural Network Trained on a Momentum-Based Estimator

Vincenzo Scognamiglio, Jonathan Cacace, Fabio Ruggiero, Vincenzo Lippiello

### Observer-Based Residual Generator for Fault Detection and Isolation of Convex Sets

Alessandro Baldini, Riccardo Felicetti, Alessandro Freddi, Sauro Longhi, Andrea Monteriù

#### **Advanced Sensing and Control Techniques**

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Design of an H2 Gain Scheduling State Derivative Feedback Controller for Linear Parameter-Varing Systems

Edvaldo Assuncao, Marcelo C. M. Teixeira, Marco Antonio Leite Beteto

#### Design of Observer Schemes for One-Sided Lipschitz Noisy Nonlinear Systems

Juan Pablo Arango Restrepo, Lucien Etienne, Vicenç Puig, Eric Duviella, Pablo Segovia, Kokou Langueh

## Detection and Tracking of Underwater Pipes Using a Magnetic Camera

Javier Garcia Gonzalez, Ryan Lewis, Mohammadreza Shahsavar, Aaron Becker, Leclerc Julien

### Visual Servoing Based Dynamic Groove Following with an Industrial Robot

Gorka Sarabia, Alberto Izaguirre, Xabier Elkorobarrutia, Virginia Ruiz Garate, Fares Abu-Dakka, Imanol Andonegui

## Fingertip Contact Force Direction Control Using Tactile Feedback

Dounia Kitouni, Elie Chelly, Mahdi Khoramshahi, Véronique Perdereau

# RIV-SLAM: Radar-Inertial-Velocity Optimization Based Graph SLAM

Dong Wang, Stefan May, Andreas Nuechter

#### **Advancements in Autonomous Systems**

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## Transfer Learning-Based Lane Line Detection System for Visual Path Following Control

Allan S. Almeida, Tiago Trindade Ribeiro, Andre Gustavo Scolari Conceicao

#### Multilayer Graph Partitioning to Enable a Decentralized Path Planning for Large and Heterogeneous AGV Fleets

Thomas Peitscher, Dennis Luensch, Peter Detzner

Towards Precision in Motion: Investigating the Influences of Curriculum Learning Based on a Multi-Purpose Performance Metric for Vision-Based Forklift Navigation

Simon Hadwiger, David Kube, Vladimir Dr. Lavrik, Tobias

Meisen

Enhancing Logistics Automation: Integrating Capacitive Proximity and Tactile Sensors for Trolley Pose and Center of Mass Estimation

Yucheng Tang, Ilshat Mamaev, Björn Hein

## A Co-Simulation Framework for Autonomous Mobility in Urban Mixed Traffic Context

Michele Roccotelli, Gaetano Volpe, Maria Pia Fanti, Agostino Marcello Mangini

### Online Image Pre-Processing Using Bayesian Optimization for Visual-Inertial Odometry

Suyong Lee, Hanyeol Lee, Chan Gook Park

# Predictive Process Engineering for the Construction Industry

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Testing Autonomous Underwater Vehicle Compatibility with Bidirectional Acoustic Tags for Biotelemetry Gerard Batet, David Sarria, Marta Real, Spartacus Castro, Joaquin Del Rio Fernandez, Narcis Palomeras, Ivan Masmitja

#### Design, Implementation and Testing of an EtherCAT-Based Network for Multi-Modal Distributed Sensing Architectures

Francesco Giovinazzo, Alessandro Perri, Marco Staiano, Francesco Grella, Marco Sartore, Manuela Adami, Riccardo Galletti, Giorgio Cannata

### Multi-Objective Heuristics for Network Construction in an Obstacle-Dense Environment

Francesco Bernardini, Aaron Becker

#### **AI-Based Methods**

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#### Comparison of Evolutionary Algorithms: A Case Study on the Multi-Objective Carbon-Aware Mine Planning

Nurul Asyikeen Binte Azhar, Aldy Gunawan, Shih-Fen Cheng, Erwin Leonardi

## Scheduling Reconfigurable Poly-Robots for Warehouse Transport Operations

Mari Chaikovskaia, Jean-Philippe Gayon

# SEARCHD - Advanced Retrieval with Text Generation Using Large Language Models and Cross Encoding Re-Ranking

Pradumn Mishra, Aditya Mahakali, Prasanna Shrinivas Venkataraman

#### Assembly Procedure Generation for Reconfigurable Robot Cells Considering Operation Concurrency and Geometrical Constraints

Marc Ungen, Elias Huber, David Kampert, Oliver Riedel

# Research on Spindle Dynamic Performance Prediction by CGAN Model Based on LSTM and Attention Mechanism

Siyi Ding, Jia Lin, Wenbo Zhou, Xinhua Mao, Jie Zhang

# Few-Shot RUL Prediction with a Hypernetwork Structure Incorporating Uncertainty Quantification and Calibration

Ying Wang, Fangyu Li, Di Wang

#### **Autonomous Agents**

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# Online Multi-Robot Coverage Path Planning in Dynamic Environments Through Pheromone-Based Reinforcement Learning

Kale Champagnie, Chen Boli, Farshad Arvin, Junyan Hu

## Lifelong MAPF for Shipment Preparation in Stochastic Warehouses

Abderraouf Maoudj, Mekid Samir Nadir, Anders Lyhne Christensen

# Indirect Vessel Velocity Control to Reduce the Impact of Underwater Noise at Cetacean Locations

Mahassen Ardhaoui, Martin Otis, Salick Diagne

#### Tram Warning for Automated Shuttle

Mikko Tarkiainen, Kimmo Kauvo, Elina Aittoniemi

### Look Further Ahead: Testing the Limits of GPT-4 in Path Planning

Mohamed Aghzal, Erion Plaku, Ziyu Yao

# Improving Generalization in Aerial and Terrestrial Mobile Robots Control through Delayed Policy Learning

Ricardo Grando, Raul Steinmetz, Victor Augusto Kich, Alisson Henrique Kolling, Pablo Ezequiel Moraes Furik, Junior Costa De Jesus, Bruna De Vargas Guterres, Daniel Fernando Tello Gamarra, Rodrigo Da Silva Guerra, Paulo Drews-Jr

#### **Optimization and Optimal Control**

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### Automated Drill and Blast Design Using Data from Autonomous Drills

Ozan Perincek, Ryan Loxton, Sarang Kulkarni, Daniel Terence John Arthur

### Self-Adaptive Optimization Techniques for Matrix Production Systems

Alexandre Sawczuk Da Silva, Tim Knissel, Gereon Weiss

### Parameter Estimation of a Dynamic Growth Model for Lettuce in an Adaptive Vertical Farm

Echrak Chnib, Patrizia Bagnerini, Mauro Gaggero, Ali Zemouche

### An Optimal Sensor Placement Strategy for Continuous Petri Nets

Cristian Mahulea

### Distributed Feedback Optimization for Multi-Robot Target Encirclement and Patrolling

Lorenzo Pichierri, Guido Carnevale, Giuseppe Notarstefano

# Advanced Techniques in Al-Driven Optimization for Industrial and Manufacturing Processes

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## Clothoid-Based CAD Model Compensation for Precise Welding in Manufacturing Processes

Edoardo Fiorini, Riccardo Muradore, Francesco Visentin

## Lumped-Parameter Modeling and Control for Robotic High-Viscosity Fluid Deposition

William Van Den Bogert, James Lorenz, Xili Yi, Albert J. Shih, Nima Fazeli

#### Life Cycle Economic Policy for Multi-Level Imperfect Maintenance and Repairman Assignment

Shunkang Zhao, Youjun An, Xiaohui Chen, Yuanfa Dong, Ziye Zhao, Bin Zhou

# Reinforcement Learning for the Supply Chain Dynamics Problem with Production Capacity Constraints and Non-Stationary Demand

Valeria Fichera, Leonardo Longo, Roberto Rosario Corsini, Sergio Fichera, Antonio Costa

### Investigating the Adaptability of Alarm Root-Cause Analysis Methods for Discrete Process Types

Bjarne Lahrsen, Birgit Vogel-Heuser, Jan Wilch, Victoria Hankemeier, Matthias Wander, Christoph Kögel

## A Novel Spindle Speed and Angle Estimation Strategy in Multi-material Robotic Drilling

Bin Chen, Chaoyue Niu, Erica Dale Smith, Robert Bramley, Pete Crawforth, Mahdi Mahfouf, Visakan Kadirkamanathan

#### **AI-Driven Control and Optimization**

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Enhancing Predictability in Deep Reinforcement Learning for Building Temperature Control

Luca Ferrarini, Alberto Valentini

Novel Rail Deployment Method for Monorail Vehicle Manipulator for Fusion Reactor Maintenance

Yuto Noguchi, Tomoyuki Ito, Takuya Iwamoto, Junji Ohmori, Nobukazu Takeda

Energy-Efficient Placement Optimization of the HVAC System for 5G Base Station with Redundant Configuration

Yaping Liu, Jiang Wu, Yuanjun Shen, Tianbao Liang, Zhanbo Xu, Xiaohong Guan, Yadong Zhou

Fault-Tolerant Sensor Reconciliation in Wireless Sensor Networks for Traffic Flow Monitoring

Gianfranco Gagliardi, Franco Angelo Torchiaro, Vincenzo D'Angelo, Francesco Tedesco, Alessandro Casavola

Design and Maneuver of a Tool-Changer Using Switchable Magnet for a Tool Hung by a Cable Dongkyung Cheong, Hyeongkyun Park

# **Emerging Technologies in Robotics and Data Integration**

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Emergent Social Behaviors in Congestion Games with Reinforcement Learning

Jiajun Chen, Jiayi Zeng, Ning Zhu, Qiao-Chu He

An Ontology-Based Multi-Source Heterogeneous Data Integration Framework for Cutting Tool Lifecycle Management

Mingyuan Xia, Xianwen Zhao, Xiaofeng Hu

Human Following in Mobile Platforms with Person Re-Identification

Mario Srouji, Yao-Hung Tsai, Hugues Thomas, Jian Zhang

Enhancing Model-Based System Architecting through Formalized Decision Management

Josua Höfgen, Birgit Vogel-Heuser, Alejandra Vicaria, François Pouzolz, Christian Kurzhals

Using Machine Learning to Support Prostate Cancer Detection without a Dedicated Biomarker

Salem Hadrien, Broucqsault Marc, Slim Hammadi, Ben Othman Sarah

#### Formal Methods in Robotics and Automation

Room T8 @ 16:00-18:00

AirNeRF: 3D Reconstruction of Human with Drone and NeRF for Future Communication Systems

Alexey Kotcov, Maria Dronova, Vladislav Cheremnykh, Sausar Karaf, Dzmitry Tsetserukou

Computationally Efficient IMU-Based Endpoint Position Estimation of a Flexible Manipulator with Transverse and Torsional Displacement Effects

Seyedmohammad Tahamipourzarandi, Sadeq Yaqubi, Jouni Mattila

## Contact Consistent Disturbance Estimation for Quadruped Robots

Hasan Can Ozden, Emre Tanfener, Hasan Eftun Orhon, Ömer Tarık Banuş, Uluc Saranli, Mustafa Mert Ankarali, Ali Emre Turgut

Modeling and Analysis of Multi-Line Orders in Multi-Tote Storage and Retrieval Autonomous Mobile Robot Systems

Xiaotao Shan, Yichao Jin, Peizheng Li, Koichi Kondo

Robust Parameter Identification for Robot Manipulators Using Haar Wavelets

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Valve-Free Operation of the Lift Cylinder in Mobile Machines with an Electrohydraulic Actuation System Timofei Komarov, Daniil Zadorozhniuk, Heikki Handroos, Juha Pyrhönen

### Solutions for Sustainable and Resilient Systems

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Problem Formulation and Solution Methodology of Energy Consumption Optimization for Two-Machine Geometric Serial Lines

Chao-Bo Yan, Lingchen Liu

Multi-Stage Robust Implicit Decision Rule for Optimal Control Problem of Energy Storage System

Jiexing Zhao, Qiaozhu Zhai, Yuzhou Zhou, Xiaoyu Cao, Jianchen Hu, Fei Xue, Xutao Li

Dynamic and Sustainable Flexible Job Shop Scheduling Problem under Worker Unavailability Risk

Candice Destouet, Houda Tlahig, Belgacem Bettayeb, Bélahcène Mazari

Resilient and Privacy-Preserving Multi-Agent Optimization and Control of a Network of Battery Energy Storage Systems under Attack Mojtaba Kaheni, Elio Usai, Mauro Franceschelli

Development of a Simulation-Based Solution Concept for Al-Driven Clustering / Combination of Pick and Stow Operations to Improve Logistics Performance in SMEs

Timo Schroth, Hummel Dr. Hummel, Konrad Von Leipzig, Jan Schuhmacher

# A Solution Based on Hub Selection and Robot Routing Optimization for Last-Mile Delivery

María Asuncion Del Cacho Estil-Les, Wasim Ali, Mario Binetti, Agostino Marcello Mangini, Maria Pia Fanti

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# Safe and Secure Human-Machine Interaction: a SMCS Contribution I

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A Multi-Tiered Control Framework Designed for Managing the Logistical Activities of Self-Driving Vehicles within Manufacturing Environments

Domenico Famularo, Giuseppe Franzè, Francesco Giannini, Francesco Pupo, Giancarlo Fortino, Francesco Tedesco

### Feedback Control in Multi-Agent Markovian Networks

Elisa Gaetan, Laura Giarrè, Paolo Falcone

## A Denial of Service Game for Age of Incorrect Information in Cyber-Physical System

Valeria Bonagura, Leonardo Badia, Federica Pascucci, Stefano Panzieri

#### **Discrete Event Dynamic Automation Systems**

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Validation of Supervisory Control Synthesis Tool CIF Using Model Checker MCRL2

Michel Reniers, Jeroen J. A. Keiren

Learning normal and delayed behavior of max-plus linear systems from input and output event data Ibis Velasquez, Yannick Pencolé, Euriell Le Corronc

## Opacity Enforcement in Discrete Event Systems Using Modification Functions

Xiaoyan Li, Christoforos Hadjicostis, Zhiwu Li

A Cryptographic System Based on Automata for Networked Automation Systems Abstracted As Discrete-

#### **Event Systems**

Marcos Vicente Moreira, Publio M. M. Lima, Lilian Kawakami Carvalho, Felipe Gomes Cabral

# Innovative Design and Control Techniques in Robotics and Actuation Systems

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Paper-Based Bistable Origami Gripper to Make Quadcopters Multi-Functional

Shuta Okamoto, Yuki Fukatsu, Chinthaka Premachandra, Hiroki Shigemune

Design of a Multiple Cilia Inspired Active Entanglement Soft Gripper for Adaptable and Stable Grasping Yukang Yan, Zichen Xu, Xianli Wang, Qingsong Xu

Online Motion Modification for Mobile Manipulators Based on Sequential Quadratic Programming Kimitoshi Yamazaki, Takuya Iwasaki, Yutaka Takase, Solvi Arnold, Keisuke Takeshita

#### **Detection, Trust, and Adaptive Systems**

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Container Detection from Gantry Cranes Exploiting an Auto-Prompting SAM

Yunjian Feng, Jun Li

Trustworthy Dual-Scale Defect Detection Network for Diversified Electronic Products

Xinting Liao, Jie Zhang, Junliang Wang

Conquering the Robotic Software Development Cycle at Scale: Using KubeROS from Simulation to Real-World Deployment

Yongzhou Zhang, Frederik Pasch, Florian Mirus, Kay-Ulrich Scholl, Christian Wurll, Björn Hein

APFC: Adaptive Particle Filter for Change Point Detection of Profile Data in Manufacturing Systems *Yukun Xie, Juan Du, Jianguo Wu* 

#### Space Autonomy I

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Coopetitive Lunar Mapping: A Distributed Non-Proprietary Multi-Robot Coordination Using Blockchain-Based Cost Optimisation

Loïck Chovet, Renan Lima Baima, Abhishek Bera, Miguel A. Olivares-Mendez, Gilbert Fridgen

Structure from Motion-Based Motion Estimation and 3D Reconstruction of Unknown Shaped Space Debris

Kentaro Uno, Takehiro Matsuoka, Akiyoshi Uchida, Kazuya Yoshida

### Impact Behaviour Analysis of a Passive Compliant Unit for Active Space Debris Removal

Maxime Hubert Delisle, Xiao Li, Baris Yalcin, Miguel A. Olivares-Mendez, Carol Martinez

# Innovations in Robotics and Automation for Enhanced Healthcare I

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Improving SEA Joint Torque Sensing for Enhanced Torque Estimation in Human-Machine Interaction Giulia Bodo, Christian Vassallo, Luca De Guglielmo, Matteo Laffranchi

Over Three Decades of Upper-Limb Robotic Neurorehabilitation: Drawing Conclusions and Future Work Adriano Scibilia, Alessio Prini, Tito Dinon, Nicola Pedrocchi, Marco Caimmi

### Cooperative Control Solutions for FES-Motorized Robotic Systems: A Narrative Review

Tommaso Del Grossi, Dell'Eva Francesca, Viola Camerini, Marta Gandolla, Alessandra Pedrocchi, Emilia Ambrosini

## Optimization and Evaluation of the Control Framework for Brain-Machine Interfaces

Paolo Forin, Gloria Beraldo, Stefano Tortora, Emanuele Menegatti, Luca Tonin

#### **Emerging Data Science in Manufacturing I**

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Open Stamped Parts Dataset

Sarah Antiles, Sachin Talathi

Real Options for Maintenance Scheduling with Bearing Degradation in Panel Manufacturer
Yenwen Chen, Pin-Chi Chu, Chia-Yen Lee

Spatio-Temporal Transformer for Temperature Profiles Prediction in Large Format Additive Manufacturing

Haoyang Xie, Dylan Hoskins, Kyle Rowe, Feng Ju

#### Cognitive Manufacturing Systems I

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Position-Aware Transformer-Based One-Stage Torpedo Can Connecting Device Camouflage Object Detection Algorithm

Tianjie Fu, Peiyu Li

Cognitive Programming Interface: From Task Level Programming to Coherent Task Level Programming Paul-Edouard Raphaël Gerin, Julie Dumora, Olivier David, Baptiste Gradoussoff

Autonomy in Cognitive Development of Robots: Embracing Emergent and Predefined Knowledge and Behavior

Satoru Isaka

Unveiling Designers' Cognitive States in Early Engineering Design Stages: An Autoencoder-DNN Approach based on EEG Data

Mingrui Li, Zuoxu Wang, Fan Li, Jihong Liu

## Advances in Intelligent Healthcare Management I

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Joint Optimization of Subsidy and Location for Healthcare Network Redesign Considering Patient Choice Behavior

Yewen Deng, Liping Zhou, Zhibin Jiang

An Analytical Threshold-Based Classification Technique for Post-Incident Fall Detection

Joe Dibble, Michael Bazzocchi

Deep Reinforcement Learning-based Scheduling of Healthcare Provider Network Considering Patients Preference

Xuanzhu Fan, Jiafu Tang

Real-Time Early Prediction of Sepsis in the ICU Utilizing Deep Learning Networks

Kaibo Zhu, Na Geng

# Assembly Lines in Circulation: A Focus on Human-Centric, Sustainable, and Resilient Manufacturing

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Reinforcement Learning Methods for Preventive Maintenance and Machine Replacement Problem with Second-Hand Equipments

Chen Xiong, Simon Thevenin, Guillaume Massonnet

A Mathematical Model Integrating Line Balancing, Equipment Selection, and Workforce Management Hamidreza Rezaei, Simon Thevenin, Cerqueus Audrey

Exploration of Socio-Technical Systems in the Context of Reuse of Assembly Lines

Philipp Url, Maximilian Johannes Orgler, Wolfgang Vorraber

# Assembly Lines in Circulation towards a Holistic Framework to Enable the Reuse of Assembly Resources

German Bluvstein, Sebastian Kurscheid, Nora Reinbold, Wolfgang Vorraber, Philipp Url, Shiva Noori, Emad Yaghmaei, Rie Brammer Larsen, Simon Thevenin, Hamidreza Rezaei, Rüdiger Daub

#### **Reinforcement Learning**

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Multi-Agent Reinforcement Learning with Decentralized Distribution Correction

Kuo Li, Qing-Shan Jia

# An OCBA-Based Method for Efficient Sample Collection in Reinforcement Learning

Kuo Li, Xinze Jin, Qing-Shan Jia, Dongchun Ren, Huaxia Xia

### Reinforcement Learning for Aligning Laser Optics with Kinematic Mounts

Ildar Rakhmatulin, Donald Risbridger, Richard Carter, M. J. Daniel Esser, Mustafa Suphi Erden

#### Investigating Integral Reinforcement Learning to Achieve Asymptotic Stability in Underactuated Mechanical Systems

Babak Salamat, Daniel Bencic, Gerhard Elsbacher, Christian Seidel, Andrea Andrea M. Tonello

#### **Factory Automation**

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# An Intelligent Factory Automation System with Multivariate Time Series Algorithm for Chip Probing Process

Yu-Ming Hsieh, Chin-Yi Lin, Jan Wilch, Birgit Vogel-Heuser, Yu Chen Lin, Yu-Chuan Lin, Min-Hsiung Hung, Fan-Tien Cheng

# A Realistic Industrial Car Factory Digital Twin Simulation for Virtual Reality Applications and Robotic Training

Florian Spiess, Swarnabha Roy, Mattias Hollmann, Christopher Cosway, Stavros Kalafatis

# Unwind While Unwinding - Solving Complex Automation Problems with Machine Learning

Niklas Körwer, Martin Bischoff, Rik W. De Doncker

# Practical Q-Learning-Based Route-Guidance and Assignment for Large-Scale Mobile Robots in Manufacturing Factory

Sangpyo Hong, Illhoe Hwang, Seol Hwang, Young Jae

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# Safe and Secure Human-Machine Interaction: a SMCS Contribution II

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A Data-Driven Approach for Context Definition in Situation-Aware Wearable Computing Systems Giuseppe D'Aniello, Giancarlo Fortino, Matteo Gaeta, Zia Ur Rehman

#### Security-by-Design of Smart Water Supply Systems: A Switching Output Automaton-Based Approach

Tianyu Liu, Carla Seatzu, Federica Pascucci, Graziana Cavone, Alessandro Giua

#### Security System for STEM Laboratories

Silvia Arambula, Godoy Ruben, Javier Arambula, Jose Arambula

#### Collaborative Robots in Manufacturing

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Virtual Reality As a Robot Programming Tool and a Comparison of Its Effectiveness in Common Tasks Jonathan Boutin, Guillaume Dupoiron, Jean-Philippe Roberge

#### Design and Experiment of Hydraulic Driven Wheel-Bipedal Robot

Xu Li, Haoyang Yu, Zhenguo Taozhenguo, Haibo Feng, Songyuan Zhang, Yili Fu

# Adaptable Recovery Behaviors in Robotics: A Behavior Trees and Motion Generators(BTMG) Approach for Failure Management

Faseeh Ahmad, Matthias Mayr, Sulthan Suresh Fazeela, Volker Krueger

## Using Multi-Channel 3D Lidar for Safe Human-Robot Interaction

Sarthak Arora, Subramanian Karthik, Odysseus Adamides, Ferat Sahin

### Investigation and Validation of Pipeline Robot Wall Pressure Control Strategy

Cheng Liu, Tian Zhe, Wei Wei, Qingdong Yan, Meng Guo

# Machine Learning Applications in Robotics, Analytics, and Simulation

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Visual Deformation Detection Using Soft Material

### Simulation for Pre-Training of Condition Assessment Models

Joel Sol, Amir Mehdi Soufi Enayati, Homayoun Najjaran

# Investigating Low Data, Confidence Aware Image Prediction on Smooth Repetitive Videos Using Gaussian Processes

Nikhil Shinde, Xiao Liang, Florian Richter, Sylvia Herbert, Michael C. Yip

### Equipment Health Monitoring for Industrial Robotic Arms

James Moore, Daniela Sawyer

Comprehensive Framework for Facilitating the Deployment of Distributed On-Premise Analytics Applications in Resource-Constraint Environments

Nicolai Schoch, Pascal Becker, Virendra Ashiwal, Andrew Habib

Comparative Analysis of Uncertainty Quantification Models in Active Learning for Efficient System Identification of Dynamical Systems

Hans Mertens, Frances Zhu

Environment Classification Method Using Autoencoder to Select Appropriate Crowd Model for Robot Simulation

Saki Nakazawa, Yuka Kato

### Neural Networks and Deep Network Physics

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Solving Differential Equations Using Physics-Informed Deep Equilibrium Models

Bruno Machado Pacheco, Eduardo Camponogara

Transferability of Machine Learning Models for Energy Consumption Prediction of In-Vehicle Low-Voltage Equipment: A Case Study

Julian Mueller, Xuanheng Liu, Jonas Maier, Georg Frey

In-Situ 3D Printing Monitoring in Dynamic Environments Via Self-Supervised Deep Neural Network Adaptation

Fang Wang, Gang Xiong, Qihang Fang, Zhen Shen, Di Wang, Li Wan, Xisong Dong, Feiyue Wang

Recurrent Neural Network Based Reinforcement Learning for Inventory Control with Agent-Based Supply Chain Simulator

Atsuki Kiuchi

MPC of Uncertain Nonlinear Systems with Meta-Learning for Fast Adaptation of Neural Predictive

#### Models

Jiaqi Yan, Ankush Chakrabarty, Alisa Rupenyan, John Lygeros

### Neural networks to approximate capacity consumption in lot-sizing models

David Tremblet, Simon Thevenin, Alexandre Dolgui

#### Space Autonomy II

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Integration of Slip Detection and Grip Force Control in an Autonomous Robot Assembly Task for Space Applications

Ishrath I, S Barat, Gustavo Hernan Diaz Huenupan, Shreya Santra, Kazuya Yoshida, Harish Palanthandalam-Madapusi

Collaborative Load Transportation in Microgravity Environments: Centralized and Decentralized Predictive Controllers

Sujet Phodapol, Pedro Roque, Dimos V. Dimarogonas

Improving Soft-Capture Phase Success in Space Debris Removal Missions: Leveraging Deep Reinforcement Learning and Tactile Feedback

Bahador Beigomi, Zhenghong (George) Zhu

Communication-Constrained Path Planning for Multi-Rover Exploration on the Lunar Surface

Shreya Santra, Emanuel Staudinger, Kazuya Yoshida

## Optimal Control-Based Target Tracking for Cognitive Spaceborne Radars

Matteo Sartoni, Andrea Testa, Andrea Pietropaolo, Carlo Ciancarelli, Giuseppe Notarstefano

#### Innovations in Robotics and Automation for Enhanced Healthcare II

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Safe haptic teleoperations of admittance controlled robots with virtualization of the force feedback *Lorenzo Pagliara*, *Enrico Ferrentino*, *Andrea Chiacchio*,

Giovanni Russo

Using Marker-Less Pose Estimation for the Detection and Classification of FES-Induced Tremor

Anna Polato, Natalia Paredes-Acuña, Nicolas Berberich, Emanuele Menegatti, Luca Tonin, Gordon Cheng

Development and Preliminary Validation of a Novel Handheld Sensing Device for Remote Palpation

Tommaso Lisini Baldi, Nicole D'Aurizio, Leonardo Franco, Domenico Prattichizzo

### Robot-Assisted Superficial Hyperthermia Treatments: The ROBHOT System

Marco Ferro, Pierfrancesco Pavoni, Marilena Vendittelli

Heat and Moisture Transferable Fabric Actuator Tetsuyou Watanabe, Nozomu Arai, Shun Matsuda

Toward Robust 2D Control Using a 4-Class Brain-Computer Interface Based on Motor Imagination Luca Zanchi, Luca Tonin, Stefano Tortora, Emanuele Menegatti

#### **Emerging Data Science in Manufacturing II**

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Short-Term Travel Time Prediction Model for OHT Systems in Semiconductor Fabs

Jaeho Lee, Young Jae Jang

Robust Ensemble Forecasting and Deep Reinforcement Learning for Energy Management of Islanded Microgrids

Yun-Chia Hsu, Chia-Yen Lee

Stochastic Capacity Planning with Most Productive Scale Size and Eco-Efficiency

Wei Kang, Chia-Yen Lee

High-Speed Interpretable Representation Learning of Melt Pool Signatures in Metal Additive Manufacturing

Mathieu Vandecasteele, Dries Verhees, Wilfried Philips, Abdellatif Bey-Temsamani, Brian Booth

Reinforcement Learning Genetic Algorithm for Surface Mount Technology Scheduling Problem in Semiconductor Package Supply Chain

Hung-Kai Wang, Chia-Le Wu

Bottleneck Mining: A Data-Driven Bottleneck Identification Method Via Process Mining in Manufacturing Systems

Zonghang Fang, Chunlong Yu

#### **Cognitive Manufacturing Systems II**

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ManufVisSGG: A Vision-Language-Model Approach for Cognitive Scene Graph Generation in Manufacturing Systems

Zhijie Yan, Zuoxu Wang, Shufei Li, Mingrui Li, Xinxin Liang, Jihong Liu

A self-training-based approach for aluminum alloy

#### casting quality prediction

Haonan Wang, Jun Wu, Quanzhi Sun, Weipeng Liu, Tao Peng, Renzhong Tang

Physically-Based Data Augmentation for Deep Learning-Enabled Automated Visual Inspection of Scratches

Peng Wang, Wenhu Wang, Yuanbin Wang

Generalizing Knowledge Enabled Fast-Adaptive Optimization for Advanced Machining Systems

Qinge Xiao, Chengke Wu, Zhile Yang, Yuanjun Guo, Hanping Guo

Developing Cognitive Digital Twin for Smart Manufacturing: Methodology and Case Study

Tang Ji, Jan Polzer, Xun Xu

Knowledge Graph Learning Enabled Automatic Work Packaging in Modular Construction Manufacturing Zisheng Liu, Xiao Li, Chengke Wu, Qinge Xiao, Yue Teng, Zhile Yang

# Advances in Intelligent Healthcare Management II

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A Two-Stage Matheuristic for the Home Healthcare Routing and Scheduling Problem with Perishable Products

Aldy Gunawan, Nabila Yuraisyah Salsabila, Minh Pham Kien Nguyen, Vincent F. Yu

An Efficient Algorithm for Workflow Analysis in a Day Surgery Center

Hanyi Zheng, Qing Wang, Jingshan Li

Next-Day Surgery Scheduling: A Preference-Based Data-Driven Approach

Zhaoyang Liu, Qing Wang, Jingshan Li

Detection and Manipulation of Test Tubes in the Pre-Analytical Phase of the Laboratory Sector

Matheus Santana De Jesus, Jefferson Medeiros Norberto, Marcondes Da Silva Júnior, Adrien Durand-Petiteville

Automated Computation of Cutting Paths for Unit-Dose Repackaging of Pharmaceutical Blister Packs Aline Assaka Tani, Jefferson Medeiros Norberto, Marcon-

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Enhancing Medical Training: A Genetic Algorithm and PID Control Approach to Colonoscopy Simulations

Hang-Ling Wu, Scarlett Miller, Jason Moore

#### **Identification and Control of Complex Systems**

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On the Design of Digital Event-Based Controllers for a Class of Nonlinear Systems: An Application to Unmanned Aerial Vehicles

Mario Di Ferdinando, Alessandro Modesti, Nicola Epicoco, Stefano Di Gennaro, Pierdomenico Pepe

## Modelling Sensors Degradation for Water Quality Monitoring: A Data-Driven Approach

Marino Pavone, Nicola Epicoco, Giordano Pola, Andrea Manno

## IIOT Cyberattacks in Industrial Field Control Systems: PID Attack and Hardware Trojan Effects

Alessandro Massaro, Nicola Epicoco, Giuseppe Loseto, Carmelo Antonio Ardito

### Performance Evaluation of Over-The-Air Computation for State Feedback Control Systems

Alberto Gianfrancesco, Vittorio De Iuliis, Piergiuseppe Di Marco, Pangun Park

## An Evaluation of Methods for Assessing Robot Kinematic Model Accuracy in the Presence of Noise

Mitchell Woodside, Philip Olubodun, Patrick Bazzoli, J. Adam Nisbett, Guixiu Qiao, Douglas Bristow

#### **Advanced Optimization Techniques**

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### Simulated Hill Climbing Search for the Solutions of k-Vertex Cut Problems

Yangming Zhou, Zhibin Jiang, Mengchu Zhou

# Fixture Layout Optimization for the Curved Shell Plate in the Shipbuilding Industry

Ge Hong, Shuo Gao, Guojin Si, Tangbin Xia, Ershun Pan, Lifeng Xi

#### A Markowitz Optimization Approach for Automating the Italian Research Quality Monitoring and Evaluation

Nicola Mignoni, Paolo Scarabaggio, Raffaele Carli, Mariagrazia Dotoli

#### Distributed $\ell_0$ Sparse Aggregative Optimization

Alireza Olama, Guido Carnevale, Giuseppe Notarstefano, Eduardo Camponogara

### Design Analysis of a Novel Belt-Driven Manipulator for Fast Movements

Christoph Stoeffler, Janne Janzen, Adriano Del Río, Heiner Peters

#### **Advancements in Aerial Robotics**

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Time-Optimal Handover Trajectory Planning for Aerial Manipulators Based on Discrete Mechanics and Complementarity Constraints

Wei Luo, Jingshan Chen, Henrik Ebel, Peter Eberhard

# Sparse Gaussian Process Regression for Residual Dynamics Learning in Multi-Rotor Aerial Vehicles Control

Geesara Kulathunga, Marc Hanheide, Alexandr Klimchik

#### Precise Multi-Target Detection and Geolocalization Using Unmanned Aerial Vehicles Supporting Surveillance Operations

Jonathan Cacace, Bartomeu Rubí, Javier Rodriguez, Julian Cayero

# Enhancing Wildfire Propagation Estimation with an Autonomous Aerial Agent

Constantinos Heracleous, Panayiotis Kolios, Christos Panayiotou

### Star-Shaped Tilted Hexarotor Maneuverability: Analysis of the Role of the Tilt Cant Angles

Marco Perin, Massimiliano Bertoni, Nicolas Viezzer, Giulia Michieletto, Angelo Cenedese

### Informative Sensor Planning for a Single-Axis Gimbaled Camera on a Fixed-Wing UAV

Aditya Parandekar, Brady Moon, Nayana Suvarna, Sebastian Scherer

# **Computer Vision in Automation and Manifacturing**

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# Mixed-Test Method for Performance Evaluation of Intelligent Collaborative Robotic Systems

Miguel Da Silva, Maria Makarov, Remi Regnier, Didier Dumur

# MaskVal: Simple but Effective Uncertainty Quantification for 6D Pose Estimation

Philipp Quentin, Daniel Goehring

## Object recognition with human-in-the-loop assistance using error information

Jie Hu, Nobutaka Kimura, Takaharu Matsui

### GN: Geometric-Net for Geometric-Level Pose and Size Estimation without CAD Templates

Zihao Wan, Jianhua Hu, Haojian Zhang, Yunkuan Wang

### Memory-Based Error Label Suppression for Embodied Self-Improving Object Detection

Jieren Deng, Haojian Zhang, Jianhua Hu, Yunkuan Wang

#### Few-Shot Traversability Segmentation of Indoor Robotic Navigation with Contrastive Logits Align

Qiyuan An, Christos Sevastopoulos, Farnaz Farahanipad, Fillia Makedon

#### **Machine Learning**

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### Calibration of Deep Learning Classification Models in FNIRS

Zhihao Cao, Zizhou Luo

#### Simple but Effective: Rethinking the Ability of Deep Learning in fNIRS to Exclude Abnormal Input Zhihao Cao

## ARIBIC: Artificial Intelligence Based Indoor Cartography

Dennis Schüthe, Hao Pang, Maximilian Gilles, Sven Dierfeld, Edwin G. Ng, Johannes Hinckeldeyn, Julien Stanguennec

# Reinforcement Learning with Large Language Model for Hybrid Disassembly Lines in Remanufacturing Contexts

Peng Ji, Xiwang Guo, Jiacun Wang, Weitian Wang, Shujin Qin, Ying Tang, Qi Kang

#### Regularized Optical Flow for Detecting Moving Foreground from Videos Taken by Steady-Moving Cameras

Yinwei Zhang, Shenghao Xia, Biao Zhang, Jian Liu

# Enhancing Robotic Grasp Failure Prediction Using a Pre-Hoc Explainability Framework

Cagla Acun, Ali Ashary, Dan Popa, Olfa Nasraoui

#### **Predictive Control and Dynamic Modeling**

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# Robust Real-Time Predictive Control Using Inertial Motion Prediction, Bisection, and Self-Tuning Takashi Nammoto, Toshisada Mariyama

Optimal Integrated Scheduling of Observation and Download Tasks for Multiple Satellites with Memory Constraints

Chaehyeon Kim, Sung Jun Kim, Han-Lim Choi

Sparse Nonlinear Dynamic Identification of a Single-

#### Phase Flow System

Luis Kin Miyatake, Eduardo Camponogara, Laio Oriel Seman

#### Hybrid Dynamic Modelling Using FeedForward and Temporal Convolutional Networks (FNN+TCN) and Robust Control Scheme for Aerial Manipulators

Abolfazl Eskandarpour, Mohammad Soltanshah, Kamal Gupta, Mehran Mehrandezh

# Enhancing Mobile Robot Navigation Safety and Efficiency through NMPC with Relaxed CBF in Dynamic Environments

Minh Nhat Nguyen, Stephen Mcilvanna, Yuzhu Sun, Yan Jin, Mien Van

#### A MPC Performance Degradation Diagnosis Method Based on Receding Feature Horizon

Wenhua Jiao, Taotao Zou, Zhangcheng Xie, Shipin Yang, Yining Dong, Lijuan Li

#### Learning and Coordination Strategies in Multi-Agent and Autonomous Systems

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#### Multi-Agent Vulnerability Discovery for Autonomous Driving Policy by Finding AV-Responsible Scenarios Ye Mu, Weilin Liu, Chao Yu, Xuefei Ning, Zhong Cao, Zelai Xu, Shuang Liang, Huazhong Yang, Yu Wang

#### A Hybrid Algorithm for Optimized Task Allocation and Coordination among Multiple Specialized Robots Alfa Budiman, Pierre Payeur, Eric Lanteigne, Luis Eduardo Garza-Castañon

## Robotic Learning of Haptic Skills from Expert Demonstration for Contact-Rich Manufacturing Tasks

Cagatay Basdogan, Sara Hamdan, Erhan Oztop, Yusuf Aydin

### Multi-Volume Potential Fields for Effective Learning from Demonstration

Victor Hernandez Moreno, Louis Ferdinand Nicodemus Fernandez, Marc Carmichael, Jochen Deuse

#### Learning Robot Skills from Demonstration for Multi-Agent Planning

Maximilian Diehl, Isacco Zappa, Andrea Maria Zanchettin, Karinne Ramirez-Amaro

# Robotics System for Teleoperation and Segmentation

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TeleFMG: A Wearable Force-Myography Device for

#### Natural Teleoperation of Multi-Finger Robotic Hands Alon Mizrahi, Avishai Sintov

## Development of a Manipulation-Aimed Teleoperation System for an Articulated Aerial Robot

Kotaro Kaneko, Junichiro Sugihara, Kazuki Sugihara, Haruki Kozuka, Jinjie Li, Yunong Li, Takuzumi Nishio, Keisuke Nagato, Masayuki Nakao, Moju Zhao

## Towards Optimal Human-Robot Interface Design Applied to Underwater Robotics Teleoperation

Paulo Padrao, Jose Fuentes, Tero Heikki Kaarlela, Alfredo Bayuelo, Leonardo Bobadilla

#### A Stable Guidance Method for Teleoperation-Based Robot Learning from Demonstration

Weiyong Si, Zhehao Jin, Zhenyu Lu, Ning Wang, Chenguang Yang

#### A Novel Bilateral Control of Leader Follower Robots Based on Virtual Impedance Method

Kiyoshi Nagai, Nana Ishigami

#### Development of Human-In-The-Loop Based Robot Environment Awareness and Control Framework for Underwater Robot Operation

Daegil Park, Yeongjun Lee, Jong-Boo Han, Tae-Kyeong Yeu

# Industrial Foundation Models and Applications in Smart Manufacturing

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# RAD: A Comprehensive Dataset for Benchmarking the Robustness of Image Anomaly Detection

Yuqi Cheng, Yunkang Cao, Chen Rui, Weiming Shen

# A New Deep Learning Model for Semi-supervised Soft-sensing of an Industrial Production Process

Xudong Shi, Chenyu Tian, Qi Kang, Mengchu Zhou, Hanqiu Bao, Jing An

#### Attention Fusion Reverse Distillation for Multi-Lighting Image Anomaly Detection

Yiheng Zhang, Yunkang Cao, Tianhang Zhang, Weiming Shen

#### Modeling and Analysis of Time Dependent Petri Nets Shu Zhang, Yufeng Chen, Ruotian Liu, Xuya Cong, Maria Pia Fanti

### Iterative Auto-Labeling of High-Frequency Induction Brazing through a SSOD and Score Filtering

Min-Gwan Kim, Joonhyeok Moon, Ok Hyun Kang, Heejong Lee, Ki-Yong Oh

# Advances in Intelligent Healthcare Management III

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## Feasibility Study on Powered Hip Skeleton for Optimization of Walking Assist

Kiyoshi Nagai, Ranka Hane, Makoto Okado, Toshihito Ohashi, Taketoshi Ichihara

# Optimal Treatment Selection for Patients with Stomach and Gastroesophageal Junction Adenocarcinoma

Michela Prunella, Paolo Scarabaggio

## Real-Time Patient Flow Prediction in Otolaryngology Department

Qing Wang, Taojun Wang, Jingshan Li

# Optimization for Regional Examination Centers Design Considering Multiservice Collaboration

Tianjiao Sun, Yewen Deng, Liping Zhou

#### Advance Scheduling for Inpatient Admission with Stochastic Arrivals and Lengths of Stay and a Moving Booking Window

Jiajun Dai, Na Geng, Xiaolan Xie

# Visual Feedback BCI for UAV Control Using Error Related Negativity

Dario Sanalitro, Seyed Yahya Shirazi, Maide Bucolo

# Reinforcement Learning for Autonomous Driving and Robot Control

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# Influence of Visual Observations Dimensionality Reduction on a Deep Reinforcement Learning Controlled Terrestrial Robot

Luiz Afonso Marão, Luís Eduardo De Souza Cintra, Glauco Augusto De Paula Caurin

# An Examination of Offline-Trained Encoders in Vision-Based Deep Reinforcement Learning for Autonomous Driving

Shawan Mohammed, Alp Argun, Nicolas Bonnotte, Gerd Ascheid

# An Application of Model-Free Reinforcement Learning to the Control of Aerial Vehicles with Slung Payloads

Eleni Sabourin, Eric Lanteigne

## RaCIL: Ray Tracing Based Multi-UAV Obstacle Avoidance through Composite Imitation Learning

Harsh Bansal, Vyom Goyal, Bhaskar Joshi, Akhil Gupta,

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Non-Prehensile Aerial Manipulation Using Model-Based Deep Reinforcement Learning

Cora Dimmig, Marin Kobilarov

# Control and Path Planning Strategies for Mobile Robot Systems

Room T8 @ 14:00-15:30

Generalization of a Stateful Graph Search Algorithm Applied to Heterogeneous Mobile Robot Path Planning

Fabian Menebröker, Dennis Luensch, Marc Hantzsch, Utku Pazarci

Finite-Time Convergence of Multi-robot Segregation using MPC with Aperiodic Motion Smoothing

Richa Dubey, Shreyash Gupta, Saurabh Chaudhary, Niladri Sekhar Tripathy, Suril Vijaykumar Shah

Novel Approach for Trajectory Planning in Laser Material Processing: Constrained Dual-Stage System Using Model Predictive and Sliding Mode Control Lucas De Andrade Both, Christian Matthias Sinn, Leon Gorißen, Philipp Walderich, Thomas Kaster, Jan-Niklas Schneider, Felix Lange

A Multi-Agent Path Planning Strategy with Reconfigurable Topology in Unknown Environments

Hao Sun, Junyan Hu, Li Dai, Chen Boli

Motion Generation for Mobile Manipulators to Assist in Putting on a Jacket While Walking

Yusuke Kuribayashi, Yutaka Takase, Kimitoshi Yamazaki

Global Trajectory Optimization for Autonomous Driving Using Nonlinear Programming with Topology Classes

Maryam Nezami, Ngoc Thinh Nguyen, Georg Schildbach

# **Characterization and Prediction of Printed Products**

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Steady Conformal Support Structures for 3D Printing Dong Wang, Zhen Shen, Qihang Fang, Dong-Ming Yan, Weixing Wang, Qing Wang, Gang Xiong

Improving the Strength of Fused Filament Fabrication Parts by Non-Planar Alignment of Material Extrusion with Stress Vectors

Rhys Edwards, Lee Clemon

Surface Quality Characterization and Modeling for Printed 2D Products Using Printing Primitives

Minghao Gu, Cesar Ruiz, Qiang Huang

Data-Driven Extrusion Force Control Tuning for 3D Printing

Xavier Guidetti, Ankita Mukne, Marvin Rueppel, Yannick Nagel, Efe Balta, John Lygeros

Deposition Width Prediction in Extrusion-Based Bioprinting Using Deep Learning with Thermal Imager Temperature Series

Chao-Yaug Liao, Ting Wei Hsueh

A Small 3D Printed Robotic Arm for Teaching Industry 4.0 and Robotic Engineering

Pavel Surynek

#### **Deep Learning in Robotics and Automation**

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DMG6D: A Depth-Based Multi-Flow Global Feature Fusion Network for 6D Pose Estimation

Zihang Wang, Qiang Zhang, Xueying Sun, Jianwei Zhu, Hao Wei

Enhancing Cooperative Visual SLAM with a Self-Supervised Deep Learning Model for Efficient Keypoint-Based Inter-Map Loop Closure Detection Zakaria Chekakta, Abdelhafid Zenati, Nabil Aouf

Omnidrone-Det: Omnidirectional 3D Drone Detection in Flight

Phumrapee Pisutsin, Jiaping Xiao, Mir Feroskhan

To Cooperate or Not: Multi-Agent Reinforcement Learning-Based On-Ramp Merging Strategies for Autonomous Vehicles

Dan Wang, Gangyan Xu, Zhizhou Wu

End-To-End Visuomotor Learning from Virtual Environment to Real Robot

Kei Higuchi, Constantin Uhde, Gordon Cheng, Ixchel Georgina Ramirez-Alpizar, Gentiane Venture, Natsuki Yamanobe

Neural Human Intent Estimator for an Adaptive Robotic Nursing Assistant

Christopher Trombley, Madan Mohan Rayguru, Payman Sharafian Ardakani, Irina Kondaurova, Nancy Zhang, Moath Alqatamin, Sumit Kumar Das, Dan Popa

#### **Optimization and Optimal Control**

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Strategic Sensor Deployment in Traffic Networks for Enhanced Traffic Flow and Pollution Analysis through Global Search Optimization

Marco Lupia, Gianni Cario, Gianfranco Gagliardi, Vincenzo Gallelli

### Safe Value Functions: Learned Critics As Hard Safety Constraints

Daniel Chee Hian Tan, Fernando Acero, Robert Mccarthy, Andromachi Maria Delfaki, Zhibin (Alex) Li, Dimitrios Kanoulas

To Test or Not: Incentivizing Individuals in a Population to Achieve Socially Optimal Testing in Epidemics Amal Roy, Chandramani Singh, Narahari Yadati

### A Dynamic and Prospective Model to Predict and Prevent Errors in Production Processes

Gerarda Fattoruso, Squillante Massimo, Antonio Violi

Payload Delivery through Acrobatic Quadrotor Flip-And-Throw Maneuver Using Model Predictive Control

Saransh Jain, Yash Dinesh Shethwala, Swaraj Akurathi, Jnaneshwar Das

Modeling and Control of an Eel-Inspired Soft Robot for Design Optimization

Zhangjingyi Jiang, Mark Campbell

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Anisha Bhattacharya, Lakshmi Manasa C N, Sreevalli Seetharamu

## Exploiting Interlaced Kalman Filter for Anomaly Detection

Valeria Bonagura, Foglietta Chiara, Federica Pascucci, Stefano Panzieri

Polynomial Approximation of Regions of Attraction Via Occupation Measures: An Application to a Biological Autonomous System

Pierluigi Francesco De Paola, Alessandro Borri, Alessia Paglialonga, Pasquale Palumbo, Fabrizio Dabbene

Security and Localization of Cyber Attacks in Finite State Machines

Bushra Bushra, Elena De Santis, Giordano Pola

Integrating Occupancy Grid with Semantic Road Information for Autonomous Navigation in Urban Scenarios: A Benchmark Study

Simone Felicioni, Elena Burani, Mirko Leomanni, Mario Luca Fravolini, Paolo Valigi, Gabriele Costante

#### **Digital Twin in Smart Construction I**

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Digital Twin-Driven Automatic Response Analysis for Demolition Safety

Zhengxu Zhu, Shuxuan Zhao, Xinyue Guo, Ray Y. Zhong

DT-PoseFormer: A Digital Twin-Enabled Transformer Network for Precise Pose Estimation of MiC Modules Yujie Han, Jingda Xie, Jiyuchen Ding, Zhiheng Zhao, George Q. Huang

Design and Development of a Shape Measurement System for 3D Construction Printing with a Manipulator

Reina Nakanishi, Hiroki Ogura, Shinya Yamamoto, Hiroyuki Abe, Ryu Kikuchi

Real-Time Locating System-Enabled Digital Twin for Crane Operation Safety Monitoring on Construction Sites

Peisen Li, Jingda Xie, Jiyuchen Ding, Zhiheng Zhao, Wei Wu, George Q. Huang

#### **Human Gait Reconstruction**

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Knee Exoskeleton-Enabled Balance Control of Human Walking Gait with Unexpected Foot Slip Chunchu Zhu, Jingang Yi

Multi-Sensor and Deep Learning Based Ankle Joint Motion Intention Prediction under Diverse Gait Speed Conditions

Jumin Gong, Dunwen Wei, Tao Gao, Zekun Liu

Standing to Sitting Assistance - Control Strategy for an Assistive Robotic Chair Based on Human Motion Prediction

Elena Basei, Jun-Ichiro Furukawa, Takahide Ito, Qi An, Jun Morimoto

An Adaptive Gait Planner for a Lower-Limb Exoskeleton Ascending Staircases of Unknown Geometry Marina Raineri, Corrado Guarino Lo Bianco

#### **Novel Planning and Control Approaches for**

#### **Semiconductor Manufacturing I**

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Data-Driven Strategies for Optimizing Lot Priority Allocation to Reduce Cycle Times in Semiconductor Manufacturing

Adrien Wartelle, Stephane Dauzere-Peres, Claude Yugma, Quentin Christ, Renaud Roussel

Comparing Dispatching Rules for Minimizing the Total Weighted Tardiness in the Cleaning-Diffusion Manufacturing Stage

Roberto Rosario Corsini, Antonio Costa, Giuseppe Oriti, Sergio Fichera, Daniele Vinciguerra, Marco Stefano Scroppo, Daniele Pagano

### Machine Learning for Optimization in Automation I

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A Survey of Reinforcement Learning for Optimization in Automation

Ahmad Farooq, Kamran Iqbal

Offline Contextual Learning with Correlated Bayesian Beliefs

Fan Zhang, Siyang Gao, Jie Song

MILP Models for Flexible Job Shop Scheduling with Spatial Constraints and Sequence Flexibility

Yunjun Han, Shaoming Peng, Zhen Shen, Zhikun Tao, Gang Xiong

Optimization of Embedded System with Edge Computing and Sleep Modes for Balance between Energy Consumption and Cache Occupancy

Chen Hou

# Autonomous Systems for Agriculture and Horticulture I

Room T4 @ 10:00-11:00

Safety Assurance of Autonomous Agricultural Robots: From Offline Model-Checking to Runtime Verification

Mustafa Adam, Elias Hartmark, Tage Andersen, David A. Anisi, Ana Cavalcanti

## Robot-Assisted Fruit Harvesting: A real-world usability study

Leonardo Guevara, Prabuddhi Wariyapperuma, Hariharan Arunachalam, Juan Vasconez, Marc Hanheide, Elizabeth I. Sklar

DAVIS-Ag: A Synthetic Plant Dataset for Prototyping

Domain-Inspired Active Vision in Agricultural Robots

Taeyeong Choi, Dario Guevara, Zifei Cheng, Grisha Bandodkar, Chonghan Wang, Brian Bailey, J. Mason Earles, Xin Liu

AGRIDS: An Advanced Multi-Modal Mapping Architecture for Robotics and Agriculture

Jonathan Cox, Marc Hanheide, Riccardo Polvara

#### Al enabled Discrete Event Dynamic Systems I

Room T5 @ 10:00-11:00

Marking Diagnosability Enforcement of Labeled Petri Nets in the Presence of Sensor Attacks

Zhenhua Yu, Yinyin Qi, Xuya Cong

Activation Control of Multiple Piecewise Linear Neural Networks

Chen Hou

Self-Triggered Model Predictive Control for Signal Temporal Logic Tasks

Junyue Huang, Chuwei Wang, Xinyi Yu, Xiang Yin

#### Cyber-Physical Manufacturing for Small Batch Customization: Challenges, Enabling technologies, and Methodologies I

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Protocol Model and Execution Protocols for Networked MRO Intralogistics

Qiqi Chen, Zhiheng Zhao, George Q. Huang

Automated Printing Primitive Extraction and Learning for Complexity Reduction in Additive Manufacturing Operations

Weizhi Lin, Yuanxiang Wang, Qiang Huang

Multi-Model based Additive Manufacturing: A framework for automated large-scale 3D concrete printing with industrial robots

Lukas Lachmayer, Annika Raatz, Tobias Recker

Digital Twin-Based Synchronized Decision-Making and Control Method for Kitchen Waste Collection and Transportation System

Ming Wan, Ting Qu, Manna Huang, Xiaoguang Sun, Mingxing Li, George Q. Huang

# Collaborative Robot-Enabled Advanced Manufacturing in the Context of Industry 5.0 I

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Design of Wire-Driven Modular Robot Hand to Han-

#### dle Daily Objects

Jeongdo Ahn, Joonho Lee, Jongwoo Park, Dongil Park, Chanhun Park

# Enhancing Human-Robot Collaborative Assembly in Manufacturing Systems Using Large Language Models

Jonghan Lim, Sujani Patel, Alexander Evans, John Pimley, Yifei Li, Ilya Kovalenko

# A Control Architecture for Safe Trajectory Generation in Human-Robot Collaborative Settings

Jozsef Palmieri, Paolo Di Lillo, Martina Lippi, Stefano Chiaverini, Alessandro Marino

#### A Passivity-Based Variable Impedance Controller for Incremental Learning of Periodic Interactive Tasks Matteo Dalle Vedove, Edoardo Lamon, Daniele Fontanelli, Luigi Palopoli, Matteo Saveriano

# Advancements in Modeling, Scheduling, and Control for Autonomous Manufacturing I

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### Unlocking the Potential of Robot Manipulators: Seamless Integration Framework

Mikel Bueno Viso, Irene Bernardino, Seemal Asif, Philip Webb

#### Solving an Integrated Order Batching, Picker Allocation and Batch Sequencing Problem Via Autoencoder-Embedded Iterated Local Search Xinsai Lv, Chengran Lin

# A Visual Object Detection and Counting System for Intelligent Casting Foundry Automation

Yu-Teng Hsu, Che-Wei Chou

# Data-Mechanism-Driven Product Performance Optimization with Multiple Parameters under Uncertainties in Manufacturing Automation Systems

Kaiyue Cui, Zhaoxi Hong, Xiuju Song, Mengchu Zhou, Zhiwu Li, Yixiong Feng, Jianrong Tan

#### Smart and Sustainable Manufacturing I

Room T9 @ 10:00-11:00

# A Systematic Literature Review on EV Battery Cell Stacking Process

Sen Bai, Nicla Frigerio, Andrea Matta

# Robot Learning from Demonstration Based on Human-In-The-Loop Reinforcement Learning

Chen Li, Tian Yu, Qing Chang

### Bottleneck Analysis of a Li-Ion Battery Cell Manufacturing System

Heng Dong, Zhenghao Fan, Qing Wang, Wei Zhou, Yanbin Yu, Ling Fu, Jingshan Li

### Production and Changeover Control of Textile and PET Recycling

Elias El Achkar, Nicla Frigerio

# **Energy Communities: optimization and control for sustainability**

Room T1 @ 11:30-13:00

### Energy Community Optimal Management: A Bilevel Approach

Virginia Casella, Giulio Ferro, Luca Parodi, Michela Robba

# Optimal Coordination of Photovoltaic/Thermal Collectors and Ground-Source Heat Pumps in Integrated Energy Systems

Shuobin Wang, Zhanbo Xu, Xiyan Jian, Kun Liu, Huibiao Yang, Hongqiang Li

# Noncooperative Control of Energy Communities through Learning-Based Response Dynamics

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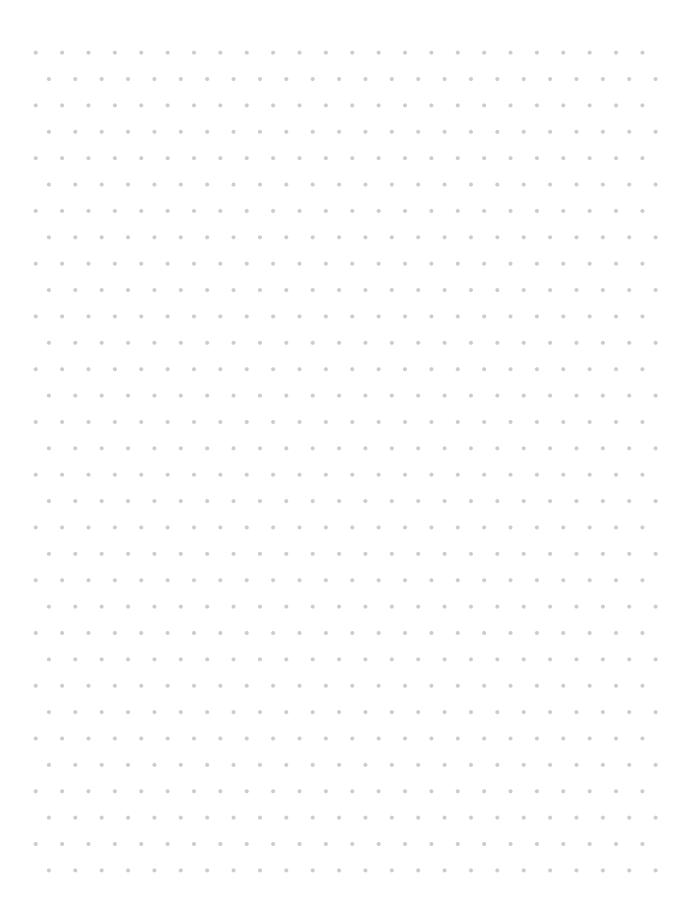
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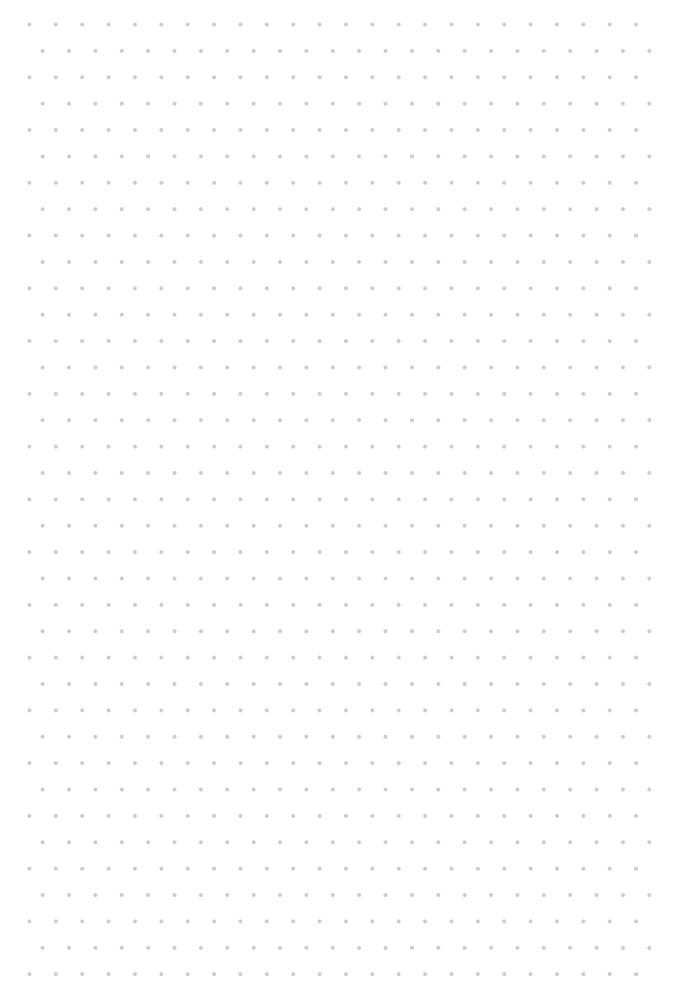
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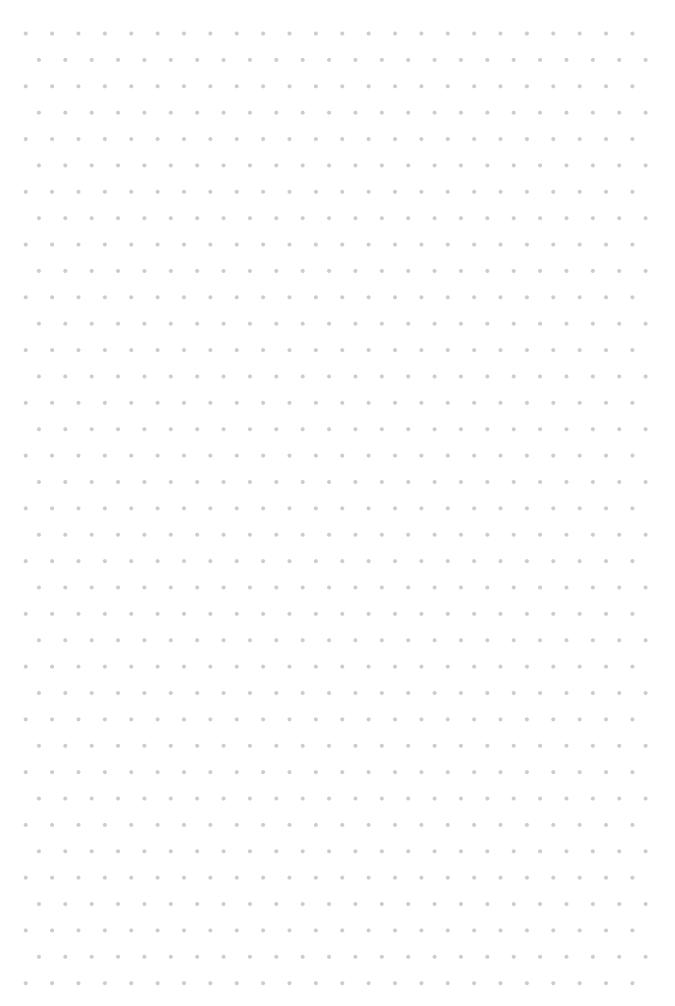
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