# LUAN V. NGUYEN – CURRICULUM VITAE

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# ----- EDUCATION

2016 PhD Candidate, Computer Engineering, University of Texas at Arlington, Arlington, TX

• Dissertation: Cyber-Physical System: from Specification Analysis to Verification

• Advisor: Taylor T. Johnson

• Expected graduation: May 2018

• **GPA**: 4.00

2012 M.Sc., Computer Science, The Catholic University of America, Washington, DC

2011 B.Sc., Electrical Engineering, The Catholic University of America, Washington, DC

## ----- RESEARCH INTERESTS

Formal Method, Temporal Logic, Formal Verification and Testing of Cyber-Physical System, Hybrid System, Distributed System, Autonomous Driving, Correct-by-Construction

#### ----- ENGINEERING SKILLS

**Programming Languages:** Java, Matlab, Python, C, C++ **Verification Tools:** SpaceEx, Flow\*, dReach, UPPAAL

Model Checkers & SMT Solvers: NuSMV, HyComp, Spin, Z3, dReal

Falsification Tools: Breach, S-TaLiRo

Misc.: Simulink/Stateflow, Latex, Git, Mercurial

# ----- TOOL DEVELOPMENTS

**HyRG:** A Random Generation Tool for Affine Hybrid Automata (*main developer*)

Link: http://www.verivital.com/hyrg/

**HyST:** A Source Transformation and Translation Tool for Hybrid Automaton Models (contributor)

Link: <a href="https://github.com/verivital/hyst">https://github.com/verivital/hyst</a>

# TEACHING AND RESEACH EXPERIENCE

2014-2017 **Research Assistant**, *University of Texas at Arlington*, Arlington, TX

• Developing techniques and software tools to conduct formal verification and system testing for cyber-physical systems, hybrid systems and distributed systems.

2014-2015 **Teaching Assistant**, University of Texas at Arlington, Arlington, TX

• Assisted in object-oriented programming with Java class.

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#### INDUSTRIAL POSISTIONS

- Summer 2017 **Researcher at Summer of Innovation Event**, Airforce Research Lab & Wright Bothers Institute, Dayton, OH
  - Worked with other researchers to extend UxAS, a software system architecture that enables autonomous capabilities on-board unmanned systems. Specified a new class of requirements for UxAS, added a new service to enable mission planning with timing constraints.
- Spring 2017 Student Co-op, Toyota Technical Center, Gardena, CA
  - Developed the first study of the hyperproperties of cyber-physical systems including robust performance, security policies, and stability. Introduced a new formalism for specifying a class of hyperproperties defined over real-valued signals, called HyperSTL. Proposed a new falsification technique that allows us to check or falsify hyperproperties. Applied the proposed theory and technique to falsify hyperproperties of complex automotive control systems.
- Spring 2016 **Student Co-op**, Toyota Technical Center, Gardena, CA
  - Developed a new technique to extend the signal temporal logic to a frequency domain. Applied this method to capture characteristic signal behaviors such as hunting or spike for different types of automotive signals.

# ----- PUBLICATIONS

#### JOURNAL ARTICLES

- [J4] **Luan Viet Nguyen**, Khaza Anuarul Hoque, Stanley Bak, Steven Drager, and Taylor T. Johnson, "Cyber-Physical Specification Mismatches," under major review for ACM Transactions on Cyber-Physical Systems (TCPS), June 2017.
- [J3] Stanley Bak, Omar Ali Beg, Sergiy Bogomolov, Taylor T. Johnson, **Luan Viet Nguyen**, and Christian Schilling, "Hybrid Automata: from Verification to Implementation." International Journal on Software Tools for Technology Transfer (2017) Springer, vol., pp. 1-18, August 2017.
- [J2] Hoang Dung Tran, **Luan Viet Nguyen**, Weiming Xiang, and Taylor T. Johnson, "An Automatic Order-Reduction Abstraction for Safety Verification of Periodically Switched Systems," Springer Discrete Event Dynamic Systems, Special Issue on Formal Methods in Control, February 2017.
- [J1] **Luan Viet Nguyen**, Hoang-Dung Tran, and Taylor T. Johnson, "Virtual Prototyping for Distributed Control of a Fault-Tolerant Modular Multilevel Inverter for Photovoltaics," in IEEE Transactions on Energy Conversion, vol. 29, pp. 841-850, December 2014.

# CONFERENCE PROCEEDING PAPERS

- [C4] Luan Viet Nguyen, James Kapinski, Xiaoqing Jin, Jyotirmoy Deshmukh, and Taylor T. Johnson, "Hyperproperties of Real-Valued Signals," 15th ACM-IEEE International Conference on Formal Methods and Models for System Design (MEMOCODE 2017), Vienna, October 2017. (To Appear)
- [C3] Luan Viet Nguyen, James Kapinski, Xiaoqing Jin, Jyotirmoy Deshmukh, Ken Butts, and Taylor T. Johnson, "Abnormal Data Classification Using Time-Frequency Temporal Logic," 20<sup>th</sup> ACM International Conference on Hybrid Systems: Computation and Control 2017 (HSCC 2017), Pittsburgh, PA, April 2017.
- [C2] Parasara Sridhar Duggirala, Chuchu Fan, Matthew Potok, Bolun Qi, Sayan Mitra, Mahesh Viswanathan, Stanley Bak, Sergiy Bogomolov, Taylor T. Johnson, **Luan Viet Nguyen**, Christian

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- Schilling, Andrew Sogokon, Hoang-Dung Tran, and Weiming Xiang, "Tutorial: Software Tools for Hybrid Systems Verification, Transformation, and Synthesis: C2E2, HyST, and TuLiP", In Proceedings of the IEEE Multi-Conference on Systems and Controls (MSC 2016), Las Vegas, NV, USA, 2016, September.
- [C1] **Luan Viet Nguyen**, Christian Schilling, Sergiy Bogomolov, and Taylor T. Johnson, "Runtime Verification for Hybrid Analysis Tools," in 15<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Runtime Verification (RV 2015), Vienna, Austria, September 2015.

#### WORKSHOP PROCEEDING PAPERS

- [W6] Hoang-Dung Tran, **Luan Viet Nguyen**, Weiming Xiang and Taylor T. Johnson, "Distributed Autonomous Systems (Benchmark Proposal)," in 4th International Workshop on Applied Verification for Continuous and Hybrid Systems (ARCH 2017), Pittsburgh, PA, April 2017
- [W5] Hoang-Dung Tran, **Luan Viet Nguyen**, and Taylor T. Johnson, "Large-Scale Linear Systems from Order-Reduction (Benchmark Proposal)," in 3rd International Workshop on Applied Verification for Continuous and Hybrid Systems (ARCH 2016), Vienna, Austria, April 2016.
- [W4] **Luan Viet Nguyen**, Djordje Maksimovic, Taylor T. Johnson, and Andreas Veneris, "Quantified Bounded Model Checking for Rectangular Hybrid Automata," in 9<sup>th</sup> International Workshop on Constraints in Formal Verification (CFV 2015), Austin, TX, November 2015.
- [W3] Hoang-Dung Tran, Luan Viet Nguyen, and Taylor T. Johnson, "Benchmark: A Nonlinear Reachability Analysis Test Set from Numerical Analysis," in 2<sup>nd</sup> International Workshop on Applied Verification for Continuous and Hybrid Systems (ARCH 2015), CPSWeek 2015, Seattle, WA, April 2015.
- [W2] **Luan Viet Nguyen** and Taylor T. Johnson, "Benchmark: DC-to-DC Switched-Mode Power Converters (Buck Converters, Boost Converters, and Buck-Boost Converters)," in 1<sup>st</sup> International Workshop on Applied Verification for Continuous and Hybrid Systems Workshop (ARCH 2014), Berlin, Germany, April 2014.
- [W1] Luan Viet Nguyen, Eric Nelson, Amol Vengurlekar, Ruoshi Zhang, Kristopher I White, Victor Salinas, and Taylor T. Johnson, "Model-Based Design and Analysis of a Reconfigurable Continuous-Culture Bioreactor (Work-in-Progress)," in 4<sup>th</sup> ACM Workshop on Design, Modeling, and Evaluation of Cyber Physical Systems (Cyphy 2014), Berlin, Germany, April 2014.

## **POSTERS**

- [P4] Luan Viet Nguyen, James Kapinski, Xiaoqing Jin, Jyotirmoy Deshmukh, and Taylor T. Johnson, "Hyperproperties of Real-Valued Signals" Hybrid Systems Computation and Control 2017 (HSCC 2017), Pittsburgh, PA, April 2017
- [P3] **Luan Viet Nguyen**, and Taylor T. Johnson, "Towards Bounded Model Checking for Timed and Hybrid Automata with a Quantified Encoding," in PhD Student Forum, 15<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Formal Methods in Computer-Aided Design (FMCAD), Austin, TX, September 2015.
- [P2] **Luan Viet Nguyen**, Christian Schilling, Sergiy Bogomolov, and Taylor T. Johnson, "HyRG: A Random Generation Tool for Affine Hybrid Automata," in 18<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Hybrid Systems: Computation and Control (HSCC 2015), CPSWeek 2015, Seattle, WA, April 2015.
- [P1] **Luan Viet Nguyen**, and Taylor T. Johnson, "Model-Based Design and Analysis of a Continuous Culture Bioreactor for Systems Biology Experiments," Texas Systems Day, Texas A&M University, College Station, TX, March 2014.

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## ----- AWARDS AND HONORS

- 2017 **Toyota Travel Award** for paper presentation at 20<sup>th</sup> ACM International Conference on Hybrid Systems: Computation and Control 2017 (HSCC 2017), Pittsburgh, PA, April 2017.
- 2015 **NSF Travel Award** for PhD Student Forum, in 15<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Formal Methods in Computer-Aided Design (FMCAD), Austin, TX.
- 2015 **NSF and ACM SIGBED Travel Awards** for Cyber-Physical Systems Week (CPSWeek 2015), Seattle, WA.
- 2014 **NSF Travel Award** for CPS Verification and Validation: Industrial Challenges and Foundations (CPS V&V I&F), Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh, PA.
- 2014 **3rd Place Winner and \$1000 Award** in US/India Chamber DFW (USICOC) Spirit of Innovation Competition, Dallas, TX.

## ----- REFERENCES

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