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University of California at Berkeley, EECS, Berkeley, CA, United States, 2015.4 - present

Position: Postdoc Researcher

Project: Hierarchical decision-making and reinforcement learning

Supervisor: Prof. Stuart Russell

Alibaba Inc., Taobao.com, Hangzhou, Zhejiang, China, 2014.12 - 2015.3

Position: Algorithm Engineer

Project: Semi-Markov process based user behaviour modelling for taobao.com and tmail.com

Carnegie Mellon University, CSD, Pittsburgh, PA, United States, 2013.12 - 2015.3

Position: Research Scholar

Project: Human-robot interaction on CoBots

Supervisor: Prof. Manuela Veloso and Prof. Reid Simmons

University of Science and Technology of China, CSD, Hefei, Anhui, China, 2009.9 - 2014.11

Position: Research Assistant

Project: Hierarchical decision-making in RoboCup domains

Supervisor: Prof. Xiaoping Chen

#### Education

University of Science and Technology of China, Hefei, Anhui, China, 2009.9 - 2014.11

Ph.D. in Computer Science, advised by Prof. Xiaoping Chen

Thesis: Markov Theory based Planning and Sensing under Uncertainty

University of Science and Technology of China, Hefei, Anhui, China, 2005.9 - 2009.6

B.E. in Computer Science

### Research Interests

Decision-theoretic Planning, Reinforcement Learning and Robotics

#### **Publications**

- [1] **Aijun Bai**, Siddharth Srivastava, and Stuart Russell. Markovian state and action abstractions for MDPs via hierarchical MCTS. In 25th International Joint Conference on Artificial Intelligence (IJCAI), New York, United States, 2016.
- [2] Zongzhang Zhang, David Hsu, Wee Sun Lee, Zhan Wei Lim, and **Aijun Bai**. Please: Palm leaf search for POMDPs with large observation spaces (abstract). In 8th Annual Symposium on Combinationial Search (SoCS), Jerusalem, Israel, 2015.
- [3] Zongzhang Zhang, David Hsu, Wee Sun Lee, Zhan Wei Lim, and **Aijun Bai**. Please: Palm leaf search for POMDPs with large observation spaces. In *Twenty-Fifth International Conference on Automated Planning and Scheduling (ICAPS)*, Jerusalem, Israel, 2015.
- [4] **Aijun Bai**, Feng Wu, and Xiaoping Chen. Online planning for large Markov decision processes with hierarchical decomposition. *ACM Trans. Intell. Syst. Technol.*, 6(4):45:1–45:28, July 2015.
- [5] **Aijun Bai**, Feng Wu, Zongzhang Zhang, and Xiaoping Chen. Thompson sampling based Monte-Carlo planning in POMDPs. In *Proceedings of the 24th International Conference on Automated Planning and Scheduling (ICAPS)*, Portsmouth, United States, 2014.

- [6] **Aijun Bai**, Reid Simmons, Manuela Veloso, and Xiaoping Chen. Intention-aware multi-human tracking for human-robot interaction via particle filtering over sets. In *2014 AAAI Fall Symposium Series*, 2014.
- [7] Qiang Lu, Guanghui Lu, **Aijun Bai**, Dongxiang Zhang, and Xiaoping Chen. An intelligent service system with multiple robots. In *Robot Competition of International Joint Conference on Artificial Intelligence (IJCAI)*, Beijing, China, 2013.
- [8] **Aijun Bai**, Feng Wu, and Xiaoping Chen. Towards a principled solution to simulated robot soccer. In Xiaoping Chen, Peter Stone, Luis Enrique Sucar, and Tijn Van der Zant, editors, *RoboCup-2012: Robot Soccer World Cup XVI*, volume 7500 of *Lecture Notes in Artificial Intelligence*. Springer Verlag, Berlin, 2013.
- [9] **Aijun Bai**, Feng Wu, and Xiaoping Chen. Bayesian mixture modelling and inference based Thompson sampling in Monte-Carlo tree search. In *Advances in Neural Information Processing Systems* 26 (NIPS), pages 1646–1654. 2013.
- [10] **Aijun Bai**, Feng Wu, and Xiaoping Chen. Online planning for large MDPs with MAXQ decomposition (extended abstract). In *Proc. of 11th Int. Conf. on Autonomous Agents and Multiagent Systems (AAMAS)*, June 2012.
- [11] **Aijun Bai**, Feng Wu, and Xiaoping Chen. Online planning for large MDPs with MAXQ decomposition. In *Proc. of the Autonomous Robots and Multirobot Systems workshop (at AAMAS)*, Jun 2012.
- [12] **Aijun Bai**, Xiaoping Chen, Patrick MacAlpine, Daniel Urieli, Samuel Barrett, and Peter Stone. Wright Eagle and UT Austin Villa: RoboCup 2011 simulation league champions. In Thomas Roefer, Norbert Michael Mayer, Jesus Savage, and Uluc Saranli, editors, *RoboCup-2011: Robot Soccer World Cup XV*, volume 7416 of *Lecture Notes in Artificial Intelligence*. Springer Verlag, Berlin, 2012.

#### Honors and Awards

Ali Star of Alibaba Inc., 2013.

World Champion of Soccer Simulation 2D, RoboCup 2013, Eindhoven, The Netherlands, Jul 2013.

Champion of Soccer Simulation 2D, RoboCup China Open 2012, Hefei, China, Dec 2012.

First Place of Soccer Simulation 2D Free Challenge, RoboCup 2012, Mexico City, Mexico, Jun 2012.

Second Place of Soccer Simulation 2D, RoboCup 2012, Mexico City, Mexico, Jun 2012.

Champion of Soccer Simulation 2D, RoboCup China Open 2011, Lanzhou, China, Aug 2011.

World Champion of Soccer Simulation 2D, RoboCup 2011, Istanbul, Turkey, Jul 2011.

Champion of Soccer Simulation 2D, RoboCup China Open 2010, Ordos, China, Jul 2010.

Second Place of Soccer Simulation 2D, RoboCup 2010, Singapore, Singapore, Jul 2010.

Champion of Soccer Simulation 2D, RoboCup China Open 2009, Dalian, China, Nov 2009.

World Champion of Soccer Simulation 2D, RoboCup 2009, Graz, Austria, Jun 2009.

Second Place of Soccer Simulation 2D, RoboCup China Open 2008, Zhongshan, China, Dec 2008.

Second Place of Soccer Simulation 2D, RoboCup 2008, Suzhou, China, Jul 2008.

Champion of Soccer Simulation 2D, RoboCup China Open 2007, Jinan, China, Oct 2007.

### Scholarships

Early Researcher Support of ICAPS, 2014.

Travel Award of NIPS Foundation, 2013.

Glarun Scholarship of CETC-14, 2013.

Scholarship of China Scholarship Council (CSC), 2013.

Kwang-Hua Scholarship of USTC, 2012.

Aegon-Industrial Responsibility Scholarship of USTC, 2012.

Outstanding Student Scholarship of USTC, 2006, 2007, 2008.

Outstanding Freshman Scholarship of USTC, 2005.

#### Professional Services

Reviewer, AAMAS 2011-2013, Agent CN 2012, AAAI 2012;2015, RoboCup 2012-2014, IAS 2013;2014

Programme Committee, IJCAI 2015;2016, AAAI 2016

Organizing Committee, RoboCup 2012;2013, RoboCup China Open 2007-2012

# Technical Committee, RoboCup 2011, RoboCup China Open 2007-2012 Qualifications

Strong programming and software development abilities

Rich Artificial Intelligence, automated planning, machine learning and robotics experience

Excellent interpersonal, communicating, writing, analytical and research skills

Reliable, versatile, cooperative, good team member or independent worker Technical Skills

Proficiency in C/C++, Python, BASH and LATEX coding languages

Rich Qt, Boost, ODPS, SQL, ROS and OpenRAVE experience

Experienced Linux/UNIX administration and programming skills

Familiar with agent, database, web, cloud computing and robotics development