# MUKESH GHIMIRE

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# **RESEARCH INTERESTS**

I am focused on developing efficient algorithms for incomplete/imperfect information games with continuous actions. My research interests include reinforcement learning, control theory, and game theory. I aim to advance both theoretical foundations and practical applications in these areas to solve complex, real-world problems.

## RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

#### **Arizona State University**

Ph.D. Researcher, 06/2021 - today

- -Proposed an algorithm to solve one-sided incomplete information differential game with an emphasis in explainable strategies [1].
- Modeled vehicle interaction as general-sum complete (and incomplete) information differential games to generate safe equilibrial policies for autonomous vehicle agents [2, 3, 5] and swarms [4].
- Proposed RL-based controller to reduce frequency of inference in incomplete information interaction between a human and an autonomous driver.

#### **Arizona State University**

Teaching Assistant, 01/2023 - 05/2024

Teaching assistant for the graduate courses - MAE 501: Partial Differential Equations, and MAE 547 Modeling and Control of Robots at ASU.

## Thyssenkrupp Elevator

Engineering Intern, 08/2019 - 08/2020

- -Interned across different departments (quality, manufacturing, operations) in the TKE elevator manufacturing plant to shift the focus from configure-to-order model to standard-offerings model.
- -Reduced data pre-processing time by more than 50% by implementing an automated Python process.
- -Successfully reduced inefficiencies in elevator cabs assembly through process improvements.

# **SKILLS**

PROGRAMMING: Python (Jax, NumPy, PyTorch), LATEX (PGFPlots, TiKZ), Matlab, Scikit-Learn, Linux, Julia, Java

TOOLS: Optimization, Optimal Control, Model Predictive Control, Physics-Informed Machine Learning, Reinforcement Learning.

# **EDUCATION**

# **Arizona State University**

Tempe, AZ, USA

Ph.D. Mechanical Engineering, *GPA*: 4.0/4.0 2021 - 2025 (Anticipated)

## University of Mississippi

Oxford, MS, USA

B.Sc. (Hons) Mechanical Engineering, GPA: 3.98/4.0

Minors: Computer Science, Mathematics

Thesis: A Study of Deep Reinforcement Learning in Autonomous Racing Using DeepRacer Car.

2016 - 2021

## RELEVANT COURSEWORK

Game Theory, Causal Inference, Stochastic Processes, Convex Optimization, Advanced Modern Control, Numerical Methods for PDEs, Reinforcement Learning

# **SELECTED AWARDS & HONORS**

Experiential Learning Grant 2023, 2024 GPSA Travel Grant Award 2023 ICRA Travel Grant 2023 SMBHC Research Fund Award 2020

# SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

- [1] M. Ghimire, L. Zhang, Z. Xu, Y. Ren. State-Constrained Zero-Sum Differential Games with One-Sided Information. ICML'24.
- [2] L. Zhang, **M. Ghimire**, W. Zhang, Z. Xu, Y. Ren. Value Approximation for Two-Player General-Sum Differential Games with State Constraints. TRO'24.
- [3] L. Zhang, M. Ghimire, Z. Xu, W. Zhang, Y. Ren. Pontryagin Neural Operator for Solving Parametric General-Sum Differential Games. L4DC'24.
- [4] **M.** Ghimire, L. Zhang, W. Zhang, Y. Ren, Z. Xu. Solving Two-Player General-Sum Games Between Swarms. ACC'24.
- [5] L. Zhang, **M. Ghimire**, W. Zhang, Z. Xu, Y. Ren. *Approximating discontinuous nash equilibrial values of two-player general-sum differential games.* ICRA'23.

Full list on Google Scholar.

# **ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES**

TALKS: Sparky's Cup Education - Lightning Talk on Game-Changing AI Applications in Sport

REVIEWING: International Symposium on Distributed Autonomous Robotic System (DARS)

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