# GENNARO NOTOMISTA

# PERSONAL INFORMATION

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# **EDUCATION**

AUG 2016 - AUG 2020

#### Ph.D. in Robotics

Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, GA, USA

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#### M.S. in Mathematics

Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, GA, USA

# MAR 2015 — JAN 2016

# M.S. in Mechanical Engineering

Università degli Studi di Napoli "Federico II", Napoli, Italy

Thesis supervisor: Dr. Bruno Siciliano

Thesis title: Validation of Model-Based Criticality Estimates in Vehicle Safety Using a

Multi Camera Reference System

# M.Eng. in Automotive Engineering

ост 2013 – мак 2015 Technische Hochschule Ingolstadt, Ingolstadt, Germany

Thesis supervisor: Dr. Michael Botsch

Thesis title: Parking Maneuver Planning Based on Machine Learning

# B.S. in Mechanical Engineering

OCT 2009 -SEP 2012 Università degli Studi di Napoli "Federico II", Napoli, Italy

Thesis supervisor: Dr. Luciano Rosati

Thesis title: Polar Decomposition of the Deformation Gradient

# RESEARCH INTERESTS

- Energy-aware robotics for long-duration autonomy
- Resilience and safety in robot control and learning
- Mechanical design of robotic platforms
- Human-multi-robot interaction

# RESEARCH AND PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCES

**Assistant Professor** OCT 2021 -University of Waterloo, Waterloo, ON, Canada Researcher CNRS, Rennes, France SEP 2021 • Human-multi robot interaction Active sensing Member of the Robotarium Team Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, GA, USA JAN 2017 -• Mechanical design of components of differential drive robots AUG 2020 • Mechanical design of components of the Robotarium testbed • Design and implementation of visual tracking algorithms Visiting Scholar Stanford University, Stanford, CA, USA JUL 2019 -• Autonomous car racing AUG 2019 • Robust safety • Adaptive reinforcement learning **Internship Position** Istituto Italiano di Tecnologia, Genova, Italy JAN 2016 -• Stereo vision for objects pose estimation JUN 2016 • Grasping and mobile manipulation • Vision-aided teleoperated control of robot manipulators Research Assistant Position Technische Hochschule Ingolstadt, Ingolstadt, Germany JUL 2015 -• Cooperative driving DEC 2015• Stereo vision tracking algorithms and applications • Embedded systems design **Internship Position** Audi AG, Ingolstadt, Germany JUL 2015 -• Automotive active safety DEC 2015 Criticality estimation • Stereo vision system design Software Developer DEC 2014 -BFFT, Ingolstadt, Germany MAR 2015 • Vehicle simulation software development

#### SKILLS

• CAN databases for automotive applications

Italian: native proficiency
English: full working proficiency
German: limited working proficiency

LANGUAGES

# GRANTS, SCHOLARSHIPS, AWARDS, AND CERTIFICATES

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Alumni Small Grant Program 2020 "What can robots teach us about the Covid-19 pandemic"

2020 - 2021

DAAD scholarship for Research Stays for University Academics and Scientists

 $November\ 2021$  -  $February\ 2022$ 

Fulbright scholarship to pursue doctoral studies in USA

September 2016 - June 2017

**SCHOLARSHIPS** 

DAAD scholarship B1 to conduct research in Germany

July 2015 - December 2015

DAAD scholarship A1 to pursue graduate studies in Germany

October 2013 - March 2015

Best Paper Award Finalist at International Symposium on Multi-Robot and Multi-

Agent Systems

New Brunswick, NJ, USA, August 2019

Study award "Roberto Rocca Educational Program"

Napoli, Italy, July 2015

AWARDS Study award "Roberto Rocca Educational Program"

Napoli, Italy, July 2013

3rd place in the national Mathematics competition "MeravigliosaMenteMatematica"

Capua, Italy, April 2009

Rotary International "Premiazioni alunni meritevoli"

Castellammare di Stabia, Italy, November 2008

Deutschkurs Teilnahmezertifikat, Stufe B1.2

Volkshochschule Ingolstadt, Ingolstadt, Germany, February 2015

CERTIFICATES

PRO/Engineering CAD Operator

Protom Group S.p.A, Napoli, Italy, April 2012

Solfège exam certificate

Conservatorio Musicale di Salerno "Giuseppe Martucci", Salerno, Italy, June 2005

# **PUBLICATIONS**

# Journal Articles

**A17.** Y. Emam, P. Glotfelter, S. Wilson, G. Notomista, and M. Egerstedt, "Data-Driven Robust Barrier Functions for Safe, Long-Term Operation", *IEEE Transactions on Robotics (to appear)* 

**A16.** G. Notomista, C. Pacchierotti, and P. Robuffo Giordano, "Online Robot Trajectory Optimization for Persistent Environmental Monitoring", *IEEE Control Systems Letters (to appear)* 

A15. G. Notomista, S. Mayya, Y. Emam, C. Kroninger, A. Bohannon, S. Hutchinson and M. Egerst-

- edt, "A Resilient and Energy-Aware Task Allocation Framework for Heterogeneous Multi-Robot Systems", *IEEE Transactions on Robotics (to appear)*
- **A14.** G. Notomista and M. Saveriano, "Safety of Dynamical Systems with Multiple Non-Convex Unsafe Sets Using Control Barrier Functions", *IEEE Control Systems Letters (to appear)*
- A13. S. Wilson, P. Glotfelter, S. Mayya, G. Notomista, Y. Emam, X. Cai, and M. Egerstedt, "The Robotarium: Automation of a Remotely Accessible, Multi-Robot Testbed", *IEEE Robotics and Automation Letters*, Vol. 6, no. 2, pp. 2922-2929, 2021
- **A12.** M. Ohnishi, G. Notomista, M. Sugiyama, and M. Egerstedt, "Constraint learning for control tasks with limited duration barrier functions", *Automatica*, Vol. 127, 2021
- A11. G. Notomista and M. Egerstedt, "Persistification of robotic tasks", *IEEE Transactions on Control Systems Technology*, vol. 29, no. 2, pp. 756-767, 2021
- **A10.** M. Santos, G. Notomista, S. Mayya, and M. Egerstedt, "Interactive Multi-Robot Painting Through Colored Motion Trails", *Frontiers in Robotics and AI*, 7, 143, 2020
- A9. A. Ames, G. Notomista, Y. Wardi, and M. Egerstedt, "Integral Control Barrier Functions for Dynamically Defined Control Laws", *IEEE Control Systems Letters*, Vol. 5, No. 3, pp. 887-892, 2020
- **A8.** R. Funada, X. Cai, G. Notomista, M. W. Surya Atman, J. Yamauchi, M. Fujita, and M. Egerstedt, "Coordination of robot teams over long distances. From Georgia Tech to Tokyo Tech and back: An 11,000 km multi-robot experiment", *IEEE Control Systems Magazine*, Vol. 40, No. 4, pp. 53-79, 2020
- **A7.** S. Wilson, P. Glotfelter, L. Wang, S. Mayya, G. Notomista, M. Mote, and M. Egerstedt, "The Robotarium: Globally impactful opportunities, challenges, and lessons learned in remote-access, distributed control of multi-robot systems", *IEEE Control Systems Magazine*, Vol. 40, No. 1, pp. 26-44, 2020
- **A6.** M. Ohnishi, L. Wang, G. Notomista, and M. Egerstedt, "Safety-aware adaptive reinforcement learning with applications to brushbot navigation", *IEEE Transactions on Robotics, Vol. 35, No. 5, pp. 1186-1205, 2019*
- **A5.** G. Notomista, Y. Emam, and M. Egerstedt, "The SlothBot: A novel design for a wire-traversing robot", *IEEE Robotics and Automation Letters, Vol. 4, No. 2, pp. 1993-1998, 2019*
- **A4.** M. Egerstedt, J. Pauli, G. Notomista, and S. Hutchinson, "Robot ecology: Constraint-based control design for long duration autonomy", *Annual Reviews in Control*, Vol. 46, pp. 1-7, 2018
- A3. G. Notomista, S. Ruf, and M. Egerstedt, "Persistification of robotic tasks using control barrier functions", *IEEE Robotics and Automation Letters*, Vol. 3, No. 2, pp. 758-763, 2018
- **A2.** G. Notomista and M. Botsch, "A machine learning approach for the segmentation of driving maneuvers and its application in autonomous parking", *Journal of Artificial Intelligence and Soft Computing Research*, Vol. 7, No. 4, pp. 243-255, 2017
- **A1.** G. Notomista, M. Selvaggio, F. Sbrizzi, G. Di Maio, S. Grazioso, and M. Botsch, "A fast airplane boarding strategy using online seat assignment based on passenger classification", *Journal of Air Transport Management*, Vol. 53, pp. 140-149, 2016

# **Book Chapters**

**B1.** G. Notomista and X. Cai, "A Safety and Passivity Filter for Robot Teleoperation Systems", In M. Saveriano, E. Renaudo, A. Rodríguez-Sánchez, and J. Piater (editors), Human-Friendly Robotics 2020, Cham, 2021. Springer International Publishing

### Conference Proceedings Papers

- C21. G. Notomista and M. Saveriano, "On the Safety of Dynamical Systems with Multiple Non-Convex Unsafe Sets", *Human-Friendly Robotics*, 2021
- C20. Y. Emam, G. Notomista, P. Glotfelter, and M. Egerstedt, "Data-Driven Adaptive Task Allocation for Heterogeneous Multi-Robot Teams Using Robust Control Barrier Functions", *IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation*, 2021
- C19. G. Notomista and M. Egerstedt, "Communication constrained distributed spatial field estimation using mobile sensor networks", *IFAC World Congress*, 2020
- C18. G. Notomista, M. Wang, M. Schwager, and M. Egerstedt, "Enhancing game-theoretic autonomous car racing using control barrier functions", *IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation*, 2020
- C17. G. Notomista, S. Mayya, M. Selvaggio, M. Santos, and C. Secchi, "A set-theoretic approach to multi-task execution and prioritization", *IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation*, 2020
- C16. Y. Emam, S. Mayya, G. Notomista, A. Bohannon, and M. Egerstedt, "Adaptive task allocation for heterogeneous multi-robot teams with evolving and unknown robot capabilities", *IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation*, 2020
- C15. G. Notomista, S. Mayya, A. Mazumdar, S. Hutchinson, and M. Egerstedt, "A study of a class of vibration-driven robots: Modeling, analysis, control and design of the brushbot", *IEEE/RSJ International Conference on Intelligent Robots and Systems*, 2019
- C14. S. Mayya, G. Notomista, D. Shell, S. Hutchinson, and M. Egerstedt, "Non-uniform robot densities in vibration driven swarms using phase separation theory", *IEEE/RSJ International Conference on Intelligent Robots and Systems*, 2019
- C13. G. Notomista, X. Cai, J. Yamauchi, and M. Egerstedt, "Passivity-based decentralized control of multi-robot systems with delays using control barrier functions", *IEEE International Symposium on Multi-Robot and Multi-Agent Systems*, 2019
- C12. M. Santos, S. Mayya, G. Notomista, and M. Egerstedt, "Decentralized minimum-energy coverage control for time-varying density functions", *IEEE International Symposium on Multi-Robot and Multi-Agent Systems*, 2019
- C11. G. Notomista, S. Mayya, S. Hutchinson, and M. Egerstedt, "An optimal task allocation strategy for heterogeneous multi-robot systems", *European Control Conference*, 2019
- C10. A. Ames, S. Coogan, M. Egerstedt, G. Notomista, K. Sreenath, and P. Tabuada, "Control barrier functions: Theory and applications", *European Control Conference*, 2019
- **C9.** G. Notomista and M. Egerstedt, "Constraint-driven coordinated control of multi-robot systems", *American Control Conference*, 2019

- C8. G. Notomista, M. Santos, S. Hutchinson, and M. Egerstedt, "Sensor coverage control using robots constrained to a curve", *IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation*, 2019
- C7. G. Notomista and M. Egerstedt, "Coverage control for wire-traversing robots", *IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation*, 2018
- **C6.** M. Selvaggio, S. Grazioso, G. Notomista, and F. Chen, "Towards a self-collision aware teleoperation framework for compound robots", *IEEE World Haptics Conference*, 2017
- C5. F. Sbrizzi, S. Grazioso, M. Selvaggio, G. Di Maio, and G. Notomista, "Enhancing airplane boarding procedure using vision based passenger classification", *IEEE International Conference on Intelligent Transportation Systems*, 2016
- C4. M. Selvaggio, G. Notomista, F. Chen, B. Gao, F. Trapani, and D. Caldwell, "Enhancing bilateral teleoperation using camera-based online virtual fixtures generation", *IEEE/RSJ International Conference on Intelligent Robots and Systems*, 2016
- C3. M. Selvaggio, F. Chen, B. Gao, G. Notomista, F. Trapani, and D. Caldwell, "Vision based virtual fixture generation for teleoperated robotic manipulation", *IEEE International Conference on Advanced Robotics and Mechatronics*, 2016
- C2. G. Notomista, A. Kammenhuber, P. Nadarajan, M. Botsch, and M. Selvaggio, "Relative motion estimation based on sensor eigenfusion using a stereoscopic vision system and adaptive statistical filtering", *VDE International Symposium on Robotics*, 2016
- C1. G. Notomista and M. Botsch, "Maneuver segmentation for autonomous parking based on ensemble learning", IEEE International Joint Conference on Neural Networks, 2015

#### Conference Workshops Papers

- **D2.** S. Mayya, G. Notomista, and M. Egerstedt, "Optimal task allocation in heterogeneous multi-robot systems using a mixed centralized/decentralized strategy", Workshop "Resilient Robot Teams: Composing, Acting, and Learning" at IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation, 2019
- **D1.** M. Selvaggio and G. Notomista, "Towards natural human-swarm teleoperation using hand synergies", Workshop "Swarms: From Biology to Robotics and Back" at IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation, 2018

#### PATENTS

- The SlothBot: A Novel Design for a Wire-Traversing Robot
- The Brushbot: A Robust and Versatile Swarm Robotics Platform (provisional)