María Santos

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EDUCATION Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, Georgia, USA

Doctor of Philosophy in Electrical and Computer Engineering

Aug 2016 – present

• Current cumulative GPA: 4.0/4.0

Master of Science in Electrical and Computer Engineering

Aug 2014 – May 2016

• Master's Thesis: Musical Abstractions for Multi-Robot Coordination

• Current cumulative GPA: 4.0/4.0

Universidade de Vigo, Vigo, Spain

Master in Advanced Industrial Processes and Technologies Research

Oct 2013 - Jul 2014

- Master's Thesis: Obstacle Avoidance System in 3D Based on CVM
- Cumulative GPA: 9.18/10.00

Industrial Engineering, specialization in Controls and Electronics

Sep 2008 – Sep 2013

- · Master's Thesis: Adaptation of Tools of the RIDE Environment to the ROS Architecture
- 5 year engineering degree equivalent to BSc and MSc
- Cumulative GPA: 8.67/10.00

Conservatorio de Música Manuel Quiroga, Pontevedra, Spain

Professional Degree in Music, specialization in Violin

Sep 2005 - Jun 2012

• Cumulative GPA: 8.60/10.00

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Georgia Institute of Technology, School of Electrical and Computer Engineering

Graduate Research Assistant, GRITS Lab

Aug 2016 – present

Jan 2015 – May 2016

- Graduate Student, GRITS Lab
 Advisor: Dr. Magnus Egerstedt
 - Research areas: control theory, multi-robot control, human-swarm interaction

Universidade de Vigo, Department of Controls and Systems Engineering

Graduate Research Assistant, Group of Robotics and Intelligent Systems Oct 2013 – Jul 2014 Undergraduate Research Assistant, Group of Robotics and Intelligent Systems Oct 2012 – Jul 2013

- Advisor: Dr. Joaquín López Fernández
- Research areas: executive layer of robotic control architectures, obstacle avoidance

PUBLICATIONS

JOURNALS

- M. Santos and M. Egerstedt, "From Motions to Emotions: Can the Fundamental Emotions be Expressed in a Robot Swarm?", in *International Journal of Social Robotics*, under review. arXiv preprint available at:1903.12118..
- M. Santos, Y. Diaz-Mercado and M. Egerstedt, "Coverage Control for Multirobot Teams With Heterogeneous Sensing Capabilities," in *IEEE Robotics and Automation Letters*, vol. 3, no. 2, pp. 919-925, April 2018.
- J. López, D. Pérez, M. Santos and M. Cacho, "GuideBot. A Tour Guide System Based on Mobile Robots," in *International Journal of Advanced Robotic Systems*, 10:381, November 2013.

CONFERENCES

- M. Santos, S. Mayya, G. Notomista, and M. Egerstedt, "Decentralized Minimum Energy Coverage Control for Time-Varying Density Functions", in *2019 IEEE International Symposium on Multi-robot and Multi-agent Systems (MRS)*, New Brunswick, NJ, August 2019, to appear. Outstanding paper finalist.
- G. Notomista, M. Santos, S. Hutchinson, and M. Egerstedt. "Sensor Coverage Control Using Robots Constrained to a Curve". *2019 IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA)*, Montreal, May 2019, pp. 3010-3016.
- R. Funada, M. Santos, J. Yamauchi, T. Hatanaka, M. Fujita, and M. Egerstedt. "Visual Coverage Control for Teams of Quadcopters via Control Barrier Functions", *2019 IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA)*, Montreal, May 2019, pp. 3010-3016.

M. Santos and Magnus Egerstedt. "Coverage Control for Multi-Robot Teams with Heterogeneous Sensing Capabilities Using Limited Communications", in *2018 IEEE/RSJ International Conference on Intelligent Robots and Systems (IROS)*, Madrid, October 2018, pp. 5313-5319.

TEACHING Georg
EXPERIENCE Ontime

Georgia Institute of Technology, Graduate Teaching Assistant

Optimal Control, ECE 6553

Jan 2017 -May 2017

Advanced Programming Techniques, ECE 4122/6122

Aug 2015 - Dec 2015

HONORS & AWARDS La Caixa Scholarship for Graduate Studies in North-America

Jul 2016

Awarded by Obra Social La Caixa

Premio Fin de Carrera, Xunta de Galicia

Oct 2015

• Awarded to the most outstanding Industrial Engineer graduating in the academic year 2013-14 in the automonous community of Galicia, Spain

Premio Extraordinario Fin de Carrera, University of Vigo

Jan 2015

• Awarded to the most outstanding Industrial Engineer graduating in the academic year 2013-14 at the University of Vigo

Fulbright Scholarship for Graduate Studies

Jun 2013

• Awarded by the Fulbright Commission in Spain

LANGUAGES

Spanish: native Galician: native

English: full professional proficiency