Robert Mattila

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Research Interests

- Identification, control and inference in stochastic dynamical systems;
- Hidden Markov models;
- (Partially observed) Markov decision processes;
- Machine learning and optimization;
- Applications to social networks, next-generation health care and medicine.

Education

KTH Royal Institute of Technology

Stockholm, Sweden

PhD Automatic Control

2015 - 2020 (Projected)

- Supervisors: Prof. Bo Wahlberg and Assoc. Prof Cristian R. Rojas.
- Topic: Identification and control of hidden Markov models.

KTH Royal Institute of Technology

Stockholm, Sweden

B.Sc. Engineering Physics, M.Sc. Systems, Control and Robotics

2010 - 2015

- The Swedish degree of Civilingenjör i Teknisk Fysik.
- The graduation date was one semester earlier than nominal time.
- B.Sc. GPA of 4.98/5.0 and M.Sc. GPA of 5.0/5.0 .

UCM, Universidad Cumplutense de Madrid

ERASMUS Exchange Studies

Madrid, Spain Spring 2013

- All (five) courses taken were taught in Spanish (including reading material).
- GPA of 8.13/10.0.

THG, Thorildsplans gymnasium

Stockholm, Sweden

Natural Sciences with specialization on Mathemathics and Computer Science

2007 - 2010

Academic Experience

UBC, University of British Columbia

Invited Researcher by Prof. Vikram Krishnamurthy

Vancouver, Canada Summer 2015

UBC, University of British Columbia

Master Thesis with Prof. Vikram Krishnamurthy

Vancouver, Canada

Autumn 2014

Caltech, California Institute of Technology

SURF in the Control and Dynamical Systems (CDS) Group

Pasadena, USA Summer 2014

- Supervisors: Prof. Richard M. Murray and Asst. Prof. Yilin Mo
- Developed an improved abstraction algorithm for the correct-by-construction controller synthesis framework TuLiP.

KTH, Royal Institute of Technology

Research Intern for Prof. Bo Wahlberg

ZJU, Zhejiang University

Participated in the Joint Research Center of Photonics Workshop

Implemented optical logic gates exploiting non-linearities in fibers.

Stockholm, Sweden
Summer 2013
Hangzhou, China
Summer, 2012

Publications

Conferences

- Robert Mattila, Vikram Krishnamurthy and Bo Wahlberg, Recursive Identification of Chain Dynamics in Hidden Markov Models Using Non-Negative Matrix Factorization. In 54th IEEE Conference on Decision and Control, Osaka, Japan, 2015.
- Robert Mattila, Yilin Mo and Richard M. Murray, An Iterative Abstraction Algorithm for Reactive Correct-by-Construction Controller Synthesis. In 54th IEEE Conference on Decision and Control, Osaka, Japan, 2015.
- Robert Mattila, Cristian R. Rojas and Bo Wahlberg, Evaluation of Spectral Learning for the Identification of Hidden Markov Models. In 17th IFAC Symposium on System Identification (SYSID 2015), Beijing, China, 2015.

Other

- Robert Mattila, Vikram Krishnamurthy and Bo Wahlberg, Recursive Method of Moments Identification of Hidden Markov Models using Convex Optimization. Poster at the 2015 Workshop of the European Research Network on System Identification (ERNSI), September, Varberg, Sweden.
- Robert Mattila, On Identification of Hidden Markov Models Using Spectral and Non-Negative Matrix Factorization Methods. Master's thesis, KTH Royal Institute of Technology. Stockholm, Sweden, 2015. Supervisors: Prof. Bo Wahlberg and Assoc. Prof. Cristian R. Rojas.
- Robert Mattila, Including Bathymetric Data in Autonomous Surface Vessels' Maneuvering Optimisation Tool. Bachelor's thesis, KTH Royal Institute of Technology. Stockholm, Sweden, 2015. Supervisors: Prof. Juan Jiménez and José María Benítez.

Skills, Merits and Awards

• Computer Skills:

Programming: MATLAB, Python, Java Operating Systems: OSX, Linux, Windows

Productivity: LATEX, git

• Language:

- Native in Swedish

- Fluent in English

- B2/C1 in Spanish

• Awards:

- Awarded the KTH Electrical Engineering Scholarship of Excellence (1 MSEK) in 2015.
- Awarded a SURF scholarship from Caltech to work with Prof. Richard Murray in 2014.
- Awarded the Henrik Göransson's Sandviken Scholarship and the KTH Student Scholarship (twice), for outstanding grades.
- Participated in Wallenbergs Fysikpris 2010 (Swedish qualifications for the International Physics Olympiad). Reached the final with the best result amongst all participants from Stockholm (in the qualification round) and placed 7th in the final.
- Awarded scholarship for outstanding grades when graduating from THG.
- KIBok (www.kibok.se): Have founded and developed a marketplace for used textbooks for students at Karolinska Institutet. The environment used is Python with Django. Currently maintaining and hosting the website on a Raspberry Pi.
- Hold a Swedish driver's license (B).

Industry Experience

Stockholm Vatten AB

Stockholm, Sweden Summer 2011 and 2012

Summer Intern

- Warehouse work including collecting and delivering items; cleaning and repairing machines; contacting customers; administrative work in the supply system Agresso.

Teaching

EH1010 Project Course in Electrical Engineering

Supervisor

EL1000 Automatic Control General Course

KTH

EL1000 Automatic Control, General Course

**Teaching Assistant*

KTH

Autumn 2015