Shivam Bajaj

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EDUCATION

Ph.D., Electrical and Computer Engineering

AUGUST 2019 – AUGUST 2023

Michigan State University

East Lansing, MI, USA

Advisor: Dr. Shaunak D. Bopardikar

M.Sc., Electrical and Computer Engineering AUGUST 2017 - AUGUST 2019

Michigan State University

Advisor: Dr. Shaunak D. Bopardikar

Indraprastha University AUGUST 2012 - AUGUST 2016

B. Tech., Electrical and Electronics Engineering Delhi, India

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

• Post-doctoral Researcher: (September 2023 - present) Purdue University

Advisor: Dr. Vijay Gupta

I work on designing learning algorithms for resilient multi-agent reinforcement learning. My immediate research focuses on techniques from controls and dynamical systems, game-theory, and reinforcement learning.

Research Assistant: (December 2018- August 2023)
 Advisor: Dr. Shaunak D. Bopardikar

Michigan State University

I designed and analyzed scalable online algorithms with performance guarantees in the worst-case as well as average scenarios with application to pursuit of mobile agents. In this work, we also established fundamental guarantees for the problem based on the problem parameters. I also facilitated active collaborations with Air Force Research Laboratories. In this role, I used techniques from online optimization and optimal control.

Research Assistant: (August 2018 – December 2018)
 Advisor: Dr. Zhaojian Li
 Michigan State University

I worked on synthesizing control optimization for skid steering vehicles based on model predictive control (MPC) to effectively track a given human by avoiding dynamic obstacles on the way.

WORK EXPERIENCE

Innovation Intern

Lear Corporation

JUNE 2018 – AUGUST 2018 Southfield, MI, USA

East Lansing, MI, USA

- Developed a proof of concept to increase the safety of the occupants in a vehicle during a collision.
- The proposed product was innovative, low-cost, light weight, and reusable.
- Skills like time management, leadership, problem solving, and decision making were effectively shown.

Infosys LTD.

AUGUST 2016 – JULY 2017

Mysore, India

 Responsible for creating and modifying the codes and scripts to allow data migration from one application to another in Oracle and PI/SQL.

• Day to day responsibility included programming and writing reports on BI Publisher

PUBLICATIONS

JOURNAL PUBLICATIONS

Published

- S. Bajaj, E. Torng and S. D. Bopardikar, "Randomized Competitive Perimeter Defense on a Line," in IEEE Control Systems Letters (IEEE-LCSS), vol. 8, pp. 1000-1005, 2024, doi: 10.1109/LCSYS.2024.3407634.
- 2. **S. Bajaj,** S. D. Bopardikar, E. Torng, A. Von Moll and D. W. Casbeer, "Multivehicle Perimeter Defense in Conical Environments," in IEEE Transactions on Robotics (**IEEE-TRO**), vol. 40, pp. 1439-1456, 2024, doi: 10.1109/TRO.2024.3351556.
- 3. **S Bajaj,** S.D. Bopardikar, A. Von Moll, E. Torng and D.W. Casbeer "Competitive perimeter defense with a turret and a mobile vehicle" in **Frontiers in Control Engineering**, vol. 4, 2023 4:1128597. doi: 10.3389/fcteg.2023.1128597. Guest edited by D. Shishika, M. Dorothy, P. Tsiotras, D. Macharet, and J. Marden.

Under Review

- 4. **S. Bajaj**, B. Jha, S.D. Bopardikar, A.V. Moll, D. Casbeer, "Shortest Trajectory of a Dubins Vehicle with a Controllable Laser", in IEEE Transactions on Automatic Control (**IEEE-TAC**), 2024, (under revision), online available at: arXiv:2403.12346
- 5. **S. Bajaj**, E. Torng, S.D. Bopardikar, "Competitive Perimeter Defense of Linear Environments", Theoretical Computer Science Journal (**TCS**), 2022 (under revision), online available at: http://dx.doi.org/10.2139/ssrn.4145446
- 6. **S. Bajaj**, Pranoy Das, Yevgeniy Vorobeychik, Vijay Gupta, "Rationality of Learning Algorithms in Repeated Normal-Form Games", IEEE Control Systems Letter (**IEEE-LCSS**), 2024, (under revision), online available at: <u>arXiv:2402.08747</u>
- 7. **S. Bajaj**, Prateek Jaiswal, Vijay Gupta, "Leveraging Offline Data from Similar Systems for Online Linear Quadratic Control", Joint submission to IEEE Control Systems Letter (**IEEE-LCSS**) and American Control Conference (**ACC**), 2024, (under review)

CONFERENCE PUBLICATIONS

- 1. **S. Bajaj**, S. D. Bopardikar, A.V. Moll, E. Torng, D. W. Casbeer "Perimeter Defense Using a Turret with Finite Range and Service Times," 2023 American Control Conference (**ACC**), San Diego, CA, USA, June 2023, pp. 3350-3355.
- 2. **S. Bajaj**, S.D. Bopardikar "Optimal Pursuit of Surveilling Agents Near a High Value Target." In Decision and Game Theory for Security: 13th International Conference (**GameSec**), Pittsburgh, PA, USA, October 2022, Proceedings, pp. 168-187. Cham: Springer International Publishing, 2023.
- 3. **S. Bajaj**, E. Torng, S. D. Bopardikar, A.V. Moll, I. Weintraub, E. Garcia, and D. W. Casbeer "Competitive Perimeter Defense of Conical Environments," 61st Conference on Decision and Control (**CDC**), Cancun, Mexico, December 2022, pp. 6586-6593
- 4. **S. Bajaj**, E. Torng and S. D. Bopardikar, "Competitive Perimeter Defense on a Line," 2021 American Control Conference (**ACC**), New Orleans, LA, USA, June 2021, pp. 3196-3201.
- 5. **S. Bajaj**, E. Garcia and S. D. Bopardikar, "Cooperative Evasion by Translating Targets with Variable Speeds," 2021 IEEE Conference on Control Technology and Applications (**CCTA**), San Diego, CA, USA, August 2021, pp. 374-379.

- S. Bajaj and S.D. Bopardikar, "Dynamic Boundary Guarding Against Radially Incoming Targets", 2019 IEEE 58th Conference on Decision and Control (CDC), Nice, France, December 2019, pp. 4804-4809.
- 7. A. Goel, V. Rajput, **S. Bajaj**, R. Mittal, and A. Dube. "Solar hybrid electric vehicle—A green vehicle for future impulse." In *2016 3rd International Conference on Computing for Sustainable Global Development* (INDIACom), pp. 2794-2800. IEEE, 2016.

PRESENTATIONS AND WORKSHOPS

- Presented a poster at the 2024 CERIAS Annual Security Symposium Agenda at Purdue University, April 2024
- 2. Presented a poster at the 10th Midwest Workshop on Control and Game Theory, April 2023
- 3. Presented a poster at the 9th Midwest Workshop on Control and Game Theory, April 2022

AWARDS AND ACHIEVEMENTS

- 1. Best poster award (Mobility) in Engineering Graduate Symposium, 2022.
- 2. Certificate in Mentoring, Leadership, and Teamwork, 2022
- 3. Graduate from the Leadership Academy at Michigan State University, 2020
- 4. First prize in LEAR Open Innovation Challenge, 2018.

OUTREACH

- 4. **Journal Reviewer**: IEEE Control Systems Letters (LCSS), IEEE Robotics and Automation Letters (IEEE RA-L), IEEE Transactions on Automatic Control (IEEE-TAC), Automatica.
- Conference Reviewer: IEEE Conference on Decision and Control (CDC), American Control Conference (ACC), IEEE/RSJ International Conference on Intelligent Robots and Systems (IROS), IEEE Conference on Control Technology and Applications (CCTA), IEEE International Conference on Automation Science and Engineering (CASE).

VOLUNTEERING ACTIVITIES

- 1. Student Member of ECE Graduate Studies Committee, 2022
- 2. Served as a poster evaluator for 2023 University Undergraduate Research and Arts Forum
- 3. Presenter at MSU Science Festival, 2022
- 4. Presenter at MSU Science Festival, 2021

MENTORING EXPERIENCE

1. Jayden Devaull: Visiting undergraduate researcher

2. Krishna Das Artis-Mickens: Visiting undergraduate researcher

3. Fellipe Ramirez Franco: Undergraduate student researcher

Summer 2022

Summer 2023

Fall 2024