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## EDUCATION

### University of Connecticut (UConn)

Storrs, USA

PhD in *Computer Science and Engineering* Supervisor: Prof. [Fei Miao](#)

*Aug. 2018-May 2023*

- GPA: **4.0/4.0**
- Core courses: *Algorithms, Formal Methods, Machine Learning, Advanced Computer Network, Optimal & Model Predictive Control, Deep Reinforcement Learning, Cryptography*

### Shanghai Jiao Tong University (SJTU)

Shanghai, China

([University of Michigan-SJTU Joint Institute](#))

*Sep. 2015-Mar. 2018*

M.S. in *Electrical and Computer Engineering* Supervisor: Prof. [Chengbin Ma](#)

- GPA: **3.96/4.0** Ranking: **1/20**
- Core courses: *Game Theory, Data Mining, Engineering Optimization, Methods of Applied Mathematics I, Probability and Random Process, Mechatronic Systems Design, New Energy System*

### Nanjing University (NJU)

Nanjing, China

B.Eng. in *Automation*

*Sep. 2011-Jun. 2015*

- GPA: **4.44/5.0** Ranking: **1/34**
- Core courses: *Principles of Automatic Control, Modern Cybernetics, Operations Research, C++, Data Structure, Database, Computer Vision, Computer Network, Signals and Systems, Digital Signal Processing, Circuit Analysis, Analog Circuit, Digital Circuit, Principles of Microcomputer*

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

### Research Scientist, Sony AI America

*Aug. 2023-Present*

- Working on gaming AI.

### Machine Learning Based Real-time Human Presence

Applied Scientist Intern, Amazon

*May 2023-Aug. 2023*

- Crafted machine learning-driven solutions to efficiently handle time-series data characterized by sparse observations.

### University of Connecticut

Research Assistant, supervised by Prof. Fei Miao

*Aug. 2018-May 2023*

- **Key words:** multi-agent reinforcement learning (MARL), safe MARL, robust MARL, game theory
- Designed an algorithm to exploit the advantages raised by the extended sensing capability of connected autonomous vehicles (CAVs) through beneficial information sharing.
- Analyzed quantum key distribution protocols through a game theoretic framework to show improved noise tolerance and secure communication rate assuming adversaries are “rational”.
- Designed an integrated information sharing and multi-agent reinforcement learning framework for the behavior planning of connected autonomous vehicles to improve traffic efficiency and safety.
- Studied the fundamental properties of the robust multi-agent RL problem under adversarial state perturbations. We define the concept of a robust agent policy and prove its existence.
- Designed a stable and efficient reward reallocation algorithm to motivate cooperation for multi-agent reinforcement learning assuming all agents are self-interested.

## Reinforcement Learning for Autonomous Driving

Research Intern, Baidu USA Apollo team

May 2020-Dec. 2020

- Summarized existing reinforcement learning methods and the state-of-art deep learning methods used in autonomous driving.
- Wrote a design document for single and multi-agent RL, distributed learning, algorithm architecture and interface, and a prototype design.
- Built a prototype platform to train and test RL algorithms for autonomous vehicles in the Apollo platform and Amazon Web Services (AWS).

Dynamic Systems Control Laboratory, UM-SJTU Joint Institute

Research Assistant, supervised by Prof. Chengbin Ma

Sep. 2015-Mar. 2018

- **Key words:** game theory, optimization, microgrid, energy management, electric vehicle
- Designed a flexible energy management approach to handle the uncertainties of weather and sizing in an isolated microgrid, which would not be influenced dramatically by different weather conditions.
- Designed and fabricated high efficient bidirectional DC/DC converters to conduct and validate energy management approaches in a downsized system.
- Built a hardware testbed to study reconfigurable energy systems.

## Energy Management of Battery/Super Capacitor Hybrid System

Team Leader, collaborating with Nippon Chemi-Con Corporation, Japan

Dec. 2016-Apr. 2017

- Improved the energy management approach of a hybrid energy storage system in a novel topology.
- Improved the system efficiency without the help from special alternator like MAZDA i-ELoop.

## 3D Laser Processing Based on Computer Vision

May 2013-Dec. 2014

Team Leader, sponsored by National Undergraduate Training Programs for Innovation and Entrepreneurship

- Combined a camera and structured light to model a feather in 3D, which rebuilt the feather's shape.
- Successfully extracted the feather stroke with image processing methods, including Hough transform.

## PUBLICATIONS

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- Jiangwei Wang, Shuo Yang, Ziyang An, **Songyang Han**, Zhili Zhang, Rahul Mangharam, Meiyi Ma, Fei Miao. *Multi-Agent Reinforcement Learning Guided by Signal Temporal Logic Specifications*. (Under review, available on arXiv:2306.06808)
- Lizhi Wang, Lynn Pepin, Jiangwei Wang, **Songyang Han**, Pranav Pishawikar, Amir Herzberg, Peng Zhang, Fei Miao. *Botnets breaking transformers: Localization of power botnet attacks against the distribution grid*. (Under review, available on arXiv: 2203.10158, 2022)
- **Songyang Han**, Apaar Sadhwani, Tushar Agarwal, Hamid Badiozamani, Tiago Etienne, Jing Zhu, Aarthi Raveendran, William Smart. *Real-time Human Presence Estimation For Indoor Robots*. In 2024 IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA), Yokohama, Japan, May 2024.
- Sanbao Su, **Songyang Han**, Yiming Li, Zhili Zhang, Chen Feng, Caiwen Ding, Fei Miao. *Collaborative Multi-Object Tracking with Conformal Uncertainty Propagation*. In IEEE Robotics and Automation Letters (RA-L), January 2024.
- **Songyang Han**, Sanbao Su, Sihong He, Shuo Han, Haizhao Wang, Fei Miao. *What is the Solution for State-Adversarial Multi-Agent Reinforcement*, In Transactions on Machine Learning Research (TMLR), January 2024.

- **Songyang Han**, Shanglin Zhou, Jiangwei Wang, Lynn Pepin, Caiwen Ding, Jie Fu, Fei Miao. *A Multi-Agent Reinforcement Learning Approach For Safe and Efficient Behavior Planning Of Connected Autonomous Vehicles*. In IEEE Transactions on Intelligent Transportation Systems, December 2023.
- **Songyang Han**, Sanbao Su, Sihong He, Shuo Han, Haizhao Wang, Fei Miao. *What is the Solution for State-Adversarial Multi-Agent Reinforcement*, in the Frontiers4LCD Workshop at the International Conference on Machine Learning (ICML) 2023, Hawaii, USA, July 2023.
- Jiangwei Wang, Lili Su, **Songyang Han**, Dongjin Song, Fei Miao. *Towards Safe Autonomy in Hybrid Traffic: Detecting Unpredictable Abnormal Behaviors of Human Drivers via Information Sharing*. In ACM Transactions on Cyber-Physical Systems (TCPS), June 2023.
- Sihong He, **Songyang Han**, Sanbao Su, Shuo Han, Shaofeng Zou, and Fei Miao, *Robust Multi-Agent Reinforcement Learning Considering State Uncertainties*. In Transactions on Machine Learning Research (TMLR), May 2023.
- Sihong He, **Songyang Han**, Sanbao Su, Shuo Han, Shaofeng Zou, and Fei Miao, *Robust Multi-Agent Reinforcement Learning Considering State Uncertainties*, in the AI4ABM workshop at the 11th International Conference on Learning Representations (ICLR), Kigali Rwanda, May 2023.
- **Songyang Han**, Shanglin Zhou, Lynn Pepin, Jiangwei Wang, Caiwen Ding, Fei Miao. *Shared Information-Based Safe And Efficient Behavior Planning For Connected Autonomous Vehicles*. In the DCAA workshop at the 37<sup>th</sup> AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence, Washington, DC, USA, Feb. 2023. (**Best paper award**)
- Sanbao Su, Yiming Li, Sihong He, **Songyang Han**, Chen Feng, Caiwen Ding, Fei Miao. *Uncertainty Quantification of Collaborative Detection for Self-Driving*. In 2023 IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA), London, UK, May 2023.
- Zhili Zhang, **Songyang Han**, Jiangwei Wang, Fei Miao. *Spatial-Temporal-Aware Safe Multi-Agent Reinforcement Learning of Connected Autonomous Vehicles in Challenging Scenarios*. In 2023 IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA), London, UK, May 2023.
- Jiangwei Wang, Lili Su, **Songyang Han**, Dongjin Song, Fei Miao. *Towards Safe Autonomy in Hybrid Traffic: The Power of Information Sharing in Detecting Abnormal Human Drivers Behaviors*. In the AI4TS workshop at the 31st International Joint Conference On Artificial Intelligence (IJCAI), Messe Wien, Vienna, Austria, 2022.
- Yukun Yuan, Meiyi Ma, **Songyang Han**, Desheng Zhang, Fei Miao, John Stankovic, Shan Lin. *DeResolver: A Decentralized Negotiation and Conflict Resolution Framework for Smart City Services*. In ACM Transactions on Cyber-Physical Systems (TCPS), 2022.
- **Songyang Han**, He Wang, Sanbao Su, Yuanyuan Shi, Fei Miao. *Stable and Efficient Shapley Value-Based Reward Reallocation for Multi-Agent Reinforcement Learning of Autonomous Vehicles*. In 2022 IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA), Philadelphia, USA, May 2022.
- Yukun Yuan, Meiyi Ma, **Songyang Han**, Desheng Zhang, Fei Miao, John Stankovic, Shan Lin. *DeResolver: A Decentralized Negotiation and Conflict Resolution Framework for Smart City Services*. In 12<sup>th</sup> ACM/IEEE International Conference on Cyber-Physical Systems (ICCPS), Nashville, USA, May 2021. (**Best paper award**)
- **Songyang Han**, Walter O. Krawec, Fei Miao. *A Game Theoretic Security Framework for Quantum Cryptography: Performance Analysis and Application*. Quantum Information Processing 19.10 (2020): 1-24.

- **Songyang Han**, Jie Fu, Fei Miao. *Exploiting Beneficial Information Sharing Among Autonomous Vehicles*. In 2019 IEEE 58th Conference on Decision and Control (CDC), Nice, France, Dec. 2019.
- Amro Alsabbagh, Dongxiang Yan, **Songyang Han**, Yandong Wang, Chengbin Ma. *Behaviour-based distributed energy management for charging EVs in photovoltaic charging station*. In 2018 IEEE International Conference on Industrial Electronics for Sustainable Energy Systems (IESES), Hamilton, New Zealand, Jan. 2018.
- Shuangke Liu, Ming Liu, **Songyang Han**, Xinen Zhu, Chengbin Ma. *Tunable Class-E2 DC-DC Converter with High Efficiency and Stable Output Power for 6.78 MHz Wireless Power Transfer*. IEEE Transactions on Power Electronics 33.8 (2018): 6877-6886.
- Amro Alsabbagh, He Yin, **Songyang Han**, Chengbin Ma. *Two-stage distributed energy management for islanded DC microgrid with EV parking lot*. In 2017 43rd Annual Conference of the IEEE Industrial Electronics Society (IECON), Beijing, China, Oct. 2017.
- **Songyang Han**, He Yin, Amro Alsabbagh, Chengbin Ma. *A Flexible Distributed Approach to Energy Management of an Isolated Microgrid*. In 2017 IEEE 26th International Symposium on Industrial Electronics (ISIE), Edinburgh, Scotland, June 2017.
- Yandong Wang, He Yin, **Songyang Han**, Amro Alsabbagh, Chengbin Ma. *A novel switched capacitor circuit for battery cell balancing speed improvement*. In 2017 IEEE 26th International Symposium on Industrial Electronics (ISIE), Edinburgh, Scotland, June 2017.
- **Songyang Han**, Xianzhong Zhou, Chunlin Chen. *Path Planning for Multi-robot Systems Using PSO and Critical Path Schedule Method*. In 2016 IEEE 13th International Conference on Networking, Sensing, and Control (ICNSC), Mexico City, Mexico, April 2016.

## SKILLS

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**Standardized Tests:** TOEFL iBT: 107, GRE: V152 + Q170 + AW3.5

**Programming:** Python, C/C++, MATLAB, LabVIEW, SQL

**Tools:** Deep reinforcement learning, LaTeX, Linux, Git, CARLA, NI myRIO, NI CompactRIO, Arduino, PIC, Altium Designer, Multisim, AutoCAD

## HONOR & AWARDS

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| • Predoctoral Research Fellowship, University of Connecticut  | <i>May 2023</i>            |
| • Best Paper Award, in the DCAA workshop at the 37 <sup>th</sup> AAAI Conference                                | <i>Feb. 2023</i>           |
| • GE Fellowship of Excellence, University of Connecticut  | <i>Aug. 2022</i>           |
| • Predoctoral Research Fellowship, University of Connecticut  | <i>May 2022</i>            |
| • First Place Award, 8 <sup>th</sup> Annual Graduate Poster Competition, University of Connecticut              | <i>Mar. 2022</i>           |
| • Predoctoral Research Fellowship, University of Connecticut  | <i>May 2021</i>            |
| • Best Paper Award, 12 <sup>th</sup> ACM/IEEE International Conference on Cyber-Physical Systems                | <i>May 2021</i>            |
| • Cigna Graduate Fellowship, University of Connecticut  | <i>Aug. 2020</i>           |
| • Predoctoral Research Fellowship, University of Connecticut  | <i>May 2020</i>            |
| • Postgraduate Academic Excellence Scholarship, Shanghai Jiao Tong University                                   | <i>Oct. 2016</i>           |
| • Guanghua Scholarship, Shanghai Jiao Tong University   | <i>Dec. 2015</i>           |
| • Outstanding Graduates of Nanjing University   | <i>May 2015</i>            |
| • National Endeavor Fellowship, 3 times, Nanjing University   | <i>Dec. 2012-Dec. 2014</i> |
| • Outstanding Winner of Educational Robot Competition in China, Chinese Association for Artificial Intelligence | <i>Nov. 2014</i>           |
| • Meritorious Winner of 2014 MCM, the Consortium for Mathematics and Its Applications                           | <i>May 2014</i>            |
| • Outstanding Students of Nanjing University, 2 times, Nanjing University                                       | <i>Nov. 2012-Nov. 2013</i> |

## SERVICE EXPERIENCE

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### Reviewer,

- IEEE Transactions on Industrial Informatics
- IEEE Transactions on Neural Networks and Learning Systems
- IEEE Transactions on Automation Science and Engineering
- The 43rd Annual Conference of the IEEE Industrial Electronics Society (IECON 2017)
- The 58th Conference on Decision and Control (CDC 2019)
- The 2020 American Control Conference (ACC 2020)
- The 59th Conference on Decision and Control (CDC 2020)
- The 2021 American Control Conference (ACC 2021)
- 2020 IEEE/RSJ International Conference on Intelligent Robots and Systems (IROS 2020)
- 2021 IEEE/RSJ International Conference on Intelligent Robots and Systems (IROS 2021)
- 2022 IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA 2022)
- 2023 IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA 2023)
- The 60th Conference on Decision and Control (CDC 2023)
- The 14<sup>th</sup> ACM/IEEE International Conference on Cyber-Physical Systems (ICCPS 2023)

### Program Committee,

- The 38th Annual AAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence (AAAI 2024)

### Invited Talk,

- Department of Computer Science, University of Maryland, College Park. *Feb. 2023*
- Institute For Data, Systems, And Society (IDSS), Massachusetts Institute of Technology. *May 2023*