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EDUCATION

Minor:

California Institute of Technology, Pasadena, CA

Ph.D. in Mechanical Engineering

Control and Dynamical Systems Dissertation: Formal Methods for Design and Verification of Embedded Control Systems

Relevant Classical Control Theory, Modern Control, Robust Control, Distributed Control,

June 2010

coursework: Networked Control Systems, Communication Networks, Dynamical Systems, Manifolds and Tensor Analysis, Robot Kinematics, Robot Navigation and Vision, Formal

Software Verification

GPA: 4.1/4.0

Advisor: Prof. Richard Murray

Master of Science in Mechanical Engineering June 2006

GPA: 4.1/4.0

Prof. Joel Burdick Advisor:

Cornell University, Ithaca, NY

Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering (Summa Cum Laude) May 2005

GPA: 4.1/4.0 (cumulative), 4.2/4.0 (major)

Advisor: Prof. Raffaello D'Andrea

HONORS AND AWARDS

Best Intelligent Systems Paper (2011) AIAA Infotech@Aerospace Conference

Powell Fellowship and Henry L. Guenther Caltech (scholarship for the first year of graduate

Fellowship (2005) study)

Cornell University (awarded to the senior with Frank O. Ellenwood Prize (2005) the highest composite average in heat and power-

related engineering courses)

First Place Winner (2004) ASME Student Mechanism Design Competition

Tau Beta Pi Engineering Honor Society

(2003)

Dean's List (2001-2005) Cornell University

The Ministry of Science and Technology, Royal Royal Thai Scholarship (2000)

Thai Government

Cornell University

• Co-principal investigator, "Autonomous Mission Translation, Decomposition and Execution System", TL Seed Funding R394-000-068-232, S\$50,000, 1 August 2012–31 July 2013.

RESEARCH INTERESTS

- Modeling, design and analysis of distributed, real-time, embedded systems (cyber-physical systems)
- Situational reasoning and decision making in complex, dynamic and uncertain environments
- Distributed cooperative control of multi-agent systems
- Autonomous robotic systems
- Transportation networks

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

University of Texas at Austin

Austin, TX

Research Fellow

January 2020-Present

Group: Autonomous Systems

- Investigate applications of formal methods in autonomous systems, with the focus on their interactions with humans.
- Implement various formal synthesis techniques in a software toolbox TuLiP (https://github.com/tulip-control/tulip-control).

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Principal Research Scientist Team: Chief Scientist Office October 2018–December 2019

- Developed a behavior validation module to determine whether an autonomous vehicle exhibits correct behaviors based on prioritized traffic rules.
- Redesigned the motion planner, the decision making component and the planner-controller interface to ensure that autonomous vehicles respect formal behavior specifications derived from traffic rules and human-driven behaviors. The new design focuses on the modularity and scalability of the planning-control architecture to allow different algorithms to be implemented, tested and evaluated quickly and independently.
- Supervised junior researchers on projects related to planning, decision making and controls.

nuTonomy Singapore

Principal Research Scientist, Team Lead

October 2015-October 2018

Team: Planning

- Led the planning and decision-making team with members in Boston and Singapore.
- Designed, implemented and maintained a motion planner and decision making logic based on the minimum-violation planning approach with the goal of providing a correctness guarantee of the autonomous vehicles with respect to a given set of traffic rules.
- Developed and maintained a controller for autonomous vehicles to closely follow the motion planner generated paths.

Thailand Center of Excellence for Life Sciences

Bangkok, Thailand

Project Manager February 2014–September 2015

Group: Medical Robotics

- Promoted and supported commercialization of innovations and research.
- Developed Medical Robotics Technology Development Roadmap.
- Collaborated with private and academic partners to develop and commercialize medical robots, including an automatic drug dispensing system and an elderly care robot.

Singapore-MIT Alliance for Research and Technology

Singapore

Postdoctoral Associate

October 2010–December 2012

Group: Future Urban Mobility Advisor: Prof. Emilio Frazzoli

- Built an autonomous vehicle testbed to demonstrate the role of autonomy in mobility-on-demand
- Developed a sensor package enabling perception (navigation and situational awareness) for an autonomous vehicle, at a cost that is a fraction of that of current systems with similar capabilities by exploiting prior knowledge of the environment as well as the availability of the existing infrastructure such as cellular networks and traffic cameras.
- Investigated new transportation pricing strategies to reduce traffic congestion.
- Developed methodologies to control traffic light signal timing for multi-junctions zone using realtime sensor feedback on vehicle flow status.

California Institute of Technology

Pasadena, CA

Postdoctoral Scholar

June 2010-September 2010

Project: Specification, Design and Verification of Distributed Embedded Systems Advisor: Prof. Richard Murray

- Investigated the use of formal methods in the specification, design and verification of the vehicle management systems in modern avionics.
- Developed a software toolbox TuLiP (https://github.com/tulip-control/tulip-control) for formal synthesis of embedded control systems, incorporating receding horizon temporal logic planning.

Research Assistant June 2006–May 2010

Project: Specification, Design and Verification of Distributed Embedded Systems Advisor: Prof. Richard Murray

- Investigated the control, specification and verification of distributed embedded systems operating in physical environments.
- Developed a technique for safety verification of periodically controlled hybrid systems, a subclass of hybrid systems frequently encountered in applications involving embedded system with periodic sensing and actuation.
- Applied formal methods (model checking and theorem proving) to verify correctness of several components of Alice, an autonomous vehicle that competed in the 2007 DARPA Urban Challenge.
- Proposed a methodology for automatic synthesis of embedded control software that provides a formal guarantee of system correctness, with respect to its requirements expressed in linear temporal logic.
- Introduced a receding horizon framework for linear temporal logic (LTL) specifications to alleviate the computational complexity associated with LTL synthesis.

Research Assistant July 2005–September 2005

Project: Distributed Cooperative Control of Multiple Vehicle Systems over Wireless Networks Advisor: Prof. Joel Burdick

 Investigated the use of communication-based coordination of automobiles to minimize traffic accidents, reduce traffic congestion and increase driver safety and comfort.

• Developed a path planning approach based on potential field for navigating an automobile on a highway. The controlled vehicles attempt to maintain a certain default speed to keep traffic moving while avoiding other cars and changing speed and lanes as appropriate.

Nanyang Technological University

Singapore

Visiting Researcher

July 2009–September 2009

Project: A Consensus Approach to the Assignment Problem

Advisor: Prof. Lihua Xie

- Developed a consensus-based technique to solve the assignment problem in a completely distributed manner without any central management or global knowledge.
- Applied the proposed technique to the mobile sensor dispatch problem.

Cornell University Ithaca, NY

Research Assistant August 2004–May 2005

Project: Robot Motion Planning

Advisor: Prof. Raffaello D'Andrea and Dr. Venkatesh Rao

• Developed dynamic refinement techniques that transform the polygonal path computed by a geometric planning layer into a feasible trajectory for a specific vehicle by fitting suitable geometric primitives.

DESIGN EXPERIENCE

Team Caltech, California Institute of Technology

Pasadena, CA

Systems Team Leader

June 2006–November 2007

Project: DARPA Urban Challenge

- Worked with a team of approximately 50 people on the Caltech's entry in the 2007 DARPA Urban Challenge, a race for unmanned, autonomous vehicles in complex urban environments.
- Coordinated the Systems Team consisting of undergraduates, graduate students and researchers from the Jet Propulsion Laboratory and Northrop Grumman Corporation. The team is responsible for systems engineering (system-level communications and architecture, including the canonical software architecture), health and contingency management (framework for responding to failures), system testing (test harnesses, field testing, log analysis), and simulation and visualization (tools for simulating the system and the environment and visualizing system state).
- Member of the Integrated Product Team responsible for systems engineering activities such as requirements and specifications development, functional analysis, system architecture and system design, and trade studies.
- Designed and implemented the mission management subsystem capable of reasoning about complex, uncertain, spatiotemporal environments and making decisions that enable autonomous missions to be accomplished safely and efficiently, with ample contingency planning.
- Designed and implemented the decision making logic of the planning module.

Sibley School of Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering, Cornell University Ithaca, NY

Team Member January 2004–May 2005

Project: Snake Arm

- Worked with a team of approximately 20 students to design, construct, and control a versatile
 multi-segmented robotic arm capable of operating in complex environments and responding to
 dynamic conditions.
- Responsible for the control and computer science components of the project.
- The project won first place in the 2004 nationwide ASME Student Mechanism Design Competition held in Salt Lake City, Utah from September 28th to October 2nd.

TEACHING AND MENTORING EXPERIENCE

European Embedded Control Institute (EECI)

Istanbul, Turkey 9–13 March 2020

Lecturer
Course: Specification, Design, and Verification for Self-Driving Cars

European Embedded Control Institute (EECI)

L'Aquila, Italy

Lecturer 14–18 May 2012

Course: Specification, Design, and Verification of Distributed Control Systems

Urban Transport Programme, SIM University

Singapore

Thesis Advisor December 2011–March 2012

Thesis Title: An Evaluation of the Effectiveness of Electronic Road Pricing in Singapore

European Embedded Control Institute (EECI)

Supelec, France

Lecturer 21–25 March 2011

Course: Specification, Design, and Verification of Distributed Embedded Systems

California Institute of Technology

Pasadena, CA

Research Mentor June–September 2008

 $Summer\ Undergraduate\ Research\ Fellowships\ program$

Project: Automatically Synthesizing Supervisory Control of Alice from Linear Temporal Logic Specifi-

cations

Teaching Assistant October 2006–May 2007

Course: Introduction to Multidisciplinary Systems Engineering

Research Mentor June–September 2007

Freshmen Summer Institute

Project: Dealing with Intesecgen Deadlock

Research Mentor June–September 2006

Freshmen Summer Institute

Project: Trajectory Planning in Uncertain, Dynamic Environments

Teaching Assistant Course: Mechatronics

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Workshop/Invited Session organizer

- "Formal Methods in Control", IEEE Conference on Decision and Control (CDC) 2012
- "Formal Methods for Design and Verification of Aerospace Systems", AIAA Infotech@Aerospace Conference 2012
- "Verification and Validation of Aerospace Systems", AIAA Infotech@Aerospace Conference 2011
- "Formal Methods for Robotics and Automation", IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA) 2010

Reviewer

• Autonomous Robots, Control and Intelligent Systems Journal, IEEE Robotics and Automation Magazine, IEEE Transactions on Automatic Control, IEEE Transactions on Control of Network Systems, IEEE Transactions on Intelligent Transportation Systems, IEEE Transactions on Robotics, International Journal of Robotics Research, Mathematical Structures in Computer Science, SIAM Journal on Control and Optimization, Unmanned Systems, American Control Conference (ACC), Automation and Mechatronics (CIS-RAM), International Conference on Unmanned Aircraft Systems (ICUAS), International Conference on Control and Fault Tolerant Systems (Sys-Tol), IEEE Annual Conference on Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITSC), IEEE Conference on Decision and Control (CDC), IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA), IEEE/RSJ International Conference on Intelligent Robots and Systems (IROS), International Federation of Automatic Control (IFAC), Hybrid Systems: Computation and Control (HSCC), Mediterranean Conference on Control and Automation (MED), Robotics Science and Systems (RSS), Workshop on Control of Cyber-Physical Systems

Committee/Board Member

- Associate member of the AIAA Intelligent Systems Technical Committee (ISTC)
- Robotics Science and Systems, Program Committee
- NASA Formal Methods Symposium, Program Committee
- Unmanned Systems, Editorial Board Member

PUBLICATIONS

- [1] K. Slutsky, D. Yershov, T. Wongpiromsarn, and E. Frazzoli. Hierarchical multiobjective shortest path problems. In Workshop on the Algorithmic Foundations of Robotics (WAFR), 2020. to appear
- [2] A. Censi, K. Slutsky, T. Wongpiromsarn, D. Yershov, S. Pendleton, J. Fu, and E. Frazzoli. Liability, ethics, and culture-aware behavior specification using rulebooks. In 2019 International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA), pages 8536–8542, 2019
- [3] T. Wongpiromsarn, U. Topcu, and A. Lamperski. Automata theory meets barrier certificates: Temporal logic verification of nonlinear systems. *IEEE Transactions on Automatic Control*, 61(11):3344–3355, 2016
- [4] V. Raman, M. Fält, T. Wongpiromsarn, and R. M. Murray. Online horizon selection in receding horizon temporal logic planning. In 2015 IEEE/RSJ International Conference on Intelligent Robots and Systems (IROS), pages 3493–3499, 2015

- P. Chaudhari, T. Wongpiromsarn, and E. Frazzoli. Incremental minimum-violation control synthesis for robots interacting with external agents. In 2014 American Control Conference, pages 1761–1768, 2014
- [6] J. Gregoire, E. Frazzoli, A. de La Fortelle, and T. Wongpiromsarn. Back-pressure traffic signal control with unknown routing rates. *IFAC Proceedings Volumes*, 47(3):11332–11337, 2014. 19th IFAC World Congress
- [7] J. Gregoire, X. Qian, E. Frazzoli, A. de La Fortelle, and T. Wongpiromsarn. Capacity-aware back-pressure traffic signal control. *IEEE Transactions on Control of Network Systems*, 2(2):164–173, 2015
- [8] N. Xiao, X. Wang, L. Xie, T. Wongpiromsarn, E. Frazzoli, and D. Rus. Road pricing design based on game theory and multi-agent consensus. *IEEE/CAA Journal of Automatica Sinica*, 1(1):31–39, 2014
- [9] A. Ulusoy, T. Wongpiromsarn, and C. Belta. Incremental controller synthesis in probabilistic environments with temporal logic constraints. *International Journal of Robotics Research*, 33(8):1130–1144, 2014
- [10] T. Wongpiromsarn, U. Topcu, and R. M. Murray. Synthesis of control protocols for autonomous systems. *Unmanned Systems*, 1(1):21–39, 2013
- [11] X. Wang, N. Xiao, T. Wongpiromsarn, L. Xie, E. Frazzoli, and D. Rus. Distributed consensus in noncooperative congestion games: An application to road pricing. In 2013 10th IEEE International Conference on Control and Automation (ICCA), pages 1668–1673, 2013
- [12] S. Mitra, T. Wongpiromsarn, and R. M. Murray. Verifying cyber-physical interactions in safetycritical systems. IEEE Security Privacy, 11(4):28–37, 2013
- [13] N. Xiao, X. Wang, T. Wongpiromsarn, K. You, L. Xie, E. Frazzoli, and D. Rus. Average strategy fictitious play with application to road pricing. In 2013 American Control Conference, pages 1920– 1925, 2013
- [14] T. Wongpiromsarn, A. Ulusoy, C. Belta, E. Frazzoli, and D. Rus. Incremental synthesis of control policies for heterogeneous multi-agent systems with linear temporal logic specifications. In 2013 IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA), pages 5011–5018, 2013
- [15] T. Wongpiromsarn, U. Topcu, and R. M. Murray. Receding horizon temporal logic planning. IEEE Transactions on Automatic Control, 57(11):2817–2830, 2012
- [16] T. Wongpiromsarn, S. Mitra, A. Lamperski, and R. M. Murray. Verification of periodically controlled hybrid systems: Application to an autonomous vehicle. ACM Transactions on Embedded Computing Systems, 11(S2), 2012
- [17] T. Wongpiromsarn, N. Xiao, K. You, K. Sim, L. Xie, E. Frazzoli, and D. Rus. Road pricing for spreading peak travel: Modeling and design. In *International Conference of Hong Kong Society for Transportation Studies*, 2012
- [18] B. Rebsamen, T. Bandyopadhyay, T. Wongpiromsarn, S. Kim, Z. J. Chong, B. Qin, M. H. Ang, E. Frazzoli, and D. Rus. Utilizing the infrastructure to assist autonomous vehicles in a mobility on demand context. In TENCON 2012 IEEE Region 10 Conference, pages 1–5, 2012
- [19] T. Wongpiromsarn, T. Uthaicharoenpong, Y. Wang, E. Frazzoli, and D. Wang. Distributed traffic signal control for maximum network throughput. In 2012 15th International IEEE Conference on Intelligent Transportation Systems, pages 588–595, 2012
- [20] T. Wongpiromsarn, A. Ulusoy, C. Belta, E. Frazzoli, and D. Rus. Incremental temporal logic synthesis of control policies for robots interacting with dynamic agents. In 2012 IEEE/RSJ International Conference on Intelligent Robots and Systems, pages 229–236, 2012
- [21] Z. J. Chong, B. Qin, T. Bandyopadhyay, T. Wongpiromsarn, B. Rebsamen, P. Dai, S. Kim, M. H. Ang, D. Hsu, D. Rus, and E. Frazzoli. Autonomy for mobility on demand. In 2012 IEEE/RSJ International Conference on Intelligent Robots and Systems, pages 4235–4236, 2012

- [22] T. Wongpiromsarn and E. Frazzoli. Control of probabilistic systems under dynamic, partially known environments with temporal logic specifications. In 2012 IEEE 51st IEEE Conference on Decision and Control (CDC), pages 7644–7651, 2012
- [23] A. Ulusoy, T. Wongpiromsarn, and C. Belta. Incremental control synthesis in probabilistic environments with temporal logic constraints. In 2012 IEEE 51st IEEE Conference on Decision and Control (CDC), pages 7658–7663, 2012
- [24] Z. J. Chong, B. Qin, T. Bandyopadhyay, T. Wongpiromsarn, B. Rebsamen, P. Dai, E. S. Rankin, and M. H. Ang. Autonomy for mobility on demand. In *International Conference on Intelligent Autonomous Systems*, pages 671–682, 2012
- [25] Z. J. Chong, B. Qin, T. Bandyopadhyay, T. Wongpiromsarn, E. S. Rankin, M. H. Ang, E. Frazzoli, D. Rus, D. Hsu, and K. H. Low. Autonomous navigation in crowded campus environments. In *IROS Workshop on Perception and Navigation*, 2011
- [26] T. Wongpiromsarn, S. Karaman, and E. Frazzoli. Synthesis of provably correct controllers for autonomous vehicles in urban environments. In 2011 14th International IEEE Conference on Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITSC), pages 1168–1173, 2011
- [27] Z. J. Chong, B. Qin, T. Bandyopadhyay, T. Wongpiromsarn, E. S. Rankin, M. H. Ang, E. Frazzoli, D. Rus, D. Hsu, and K. H. Low. Autonomous personal vehicle for the first- and last-mile transportation services. In 2011 IEEE 5th International Conference on Cybernetics and Intelligent Systems (CIS), pages 253–260, 2011
- [28] H. Kress-Gazit, T. Wongpiromsarn, and U. Topcu. Correct, reactive, high-level robot control. IEEE Robotics Automation Magazine, 18(3):65–74, 2011
- [29] N. Ozay, U. Topcu, R. M. Murray, and T. Wongpiromsarn. Distributed synthesis of control protocols for smart camera networks. In 2011 IEEE/ACM Second International Conference on Cyber-Physical Systems, pages 45–54, 2011
- [30] T. Wongpiromsarn, U. Topcu, N. Ozay, H. Xu, and R. M. Murray. TuLiP: A software toolbox for receding horizon temporal logic planning. In *Proceedings of the 14th International Conference on Hybrid Systems: Computation and Control*, HSCC '11, page 313–314, New York, NY, USA, 2011. Association for Computing Machinery
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- [32] T. Wongpiromsarn, K. You, and L. Xie. A consensus approach to the assignment problem: Application to mobile sensor dispatch. In *IEEE ICCA 2010*, pages 2024–2029, 2010
- [33] T. Wongpiromsarn, U. Topcu, and R. M. Murray. Automatic synthesis of robust embedded control software. In AAAI Spring Symposium on Embedded Reasoning: Intelligence in Embedded Systems, 2010
- [34] T. Wongpiromsarn, U. Topcu, and R. M. Murray. Receding horizon control for temporal logic specifications. In Proceedings of the 13th ACM International Conference on Hybrid Systems: Computation and Control, HSCC '10, page 101–110, New York, NY, USA, 2010. Association for Computing Machinery
- [35] T. Wongpiromsarn, U. Topcu, and R. M. Murray. Receding horizon temporal logic planning for dynamical systems. In Proceedings of the 48h IEEE Conference on Decision and Control (CDC) held jointly with 2009 28th Chinese Control Conference, pages 5997–6004, 2009
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- [37] T. Wongpiromsarn and R. M. Murray. Distributed mission and contingency management for the DARPA Urban Challenge. In *International Workshop on Intelligent Vehicle Control Systems (IVCS)*, 2008
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(IVCS), 2008

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- [40] V. G. Rao, T. Wongpiromsarn, T. Ho, K. Chung, and R. D'Andrea. Encapsulated path planning for abstraction-based control of multi-vehicle systems. In 2006 American Control Conference, 2006
- [41] T. Wongpiromsarn, V. Rao, and R. D'Andrea. Two approaches to dynamic refinement in hierarchical motion planning. In AIAA Guidance, Navigation, and Control Conference and Exhibit, 2005

PATENTS

- [1] Identifying a stopping place for an autonomous vehicle. U.S. Patent 10331129, filed October 20, 2016, and issued June 25, 2019.
- [2] Traffic signal control method and traffic signal controller. U.S. Patent 9601013, filed January 10, 2013, and issued March 21, 2017.

SELECTED PRESENTATIONS

- [1] RuleBooks for Autonomous Vehicles, Invited talk at 3rd VeHICaL Project Annual Meeting, Berkeley, CA, October 2019.
- [2] Behavior Specifications of Autonomous Vehicles, Invited talk at Automotive Summit 2019, Bangkok, Thailand, June 2019.
- [3] Behavior Specifications of Autonomous Vehicles, Invited talk at 3rd IAVSD Workshop on Dynamics of Road Vehicles, Connected and Automated Vehicles, Ann Arbor, MI, April 2019.
- [4] Incremental Synthesis of Control Policies for Heterogeneous Multi-Agent Systems with Linear Temporal Logic Specifications, IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA), Karlsruhe, Germany, May 2013.
- [5] Control of Probabilistic Systems under Dynamic, Partially Known Environments with Temporal Logic Specifications, IEEE Conference on Decision and Control (CDC), HI, December 2012.
- [6] Incremental Temporal Logic Synthesis of Control Policies for Robots Interacting with Dynamic Agents, IEEE/RSJ International Conference on Intelligent Robots and Systems (IROS), Vilamoura, Portugal, October 2012.
- [7] Distributed Traffic Signal Control for Maximum Network Throughput, Intelligent Transportation Systems Conference (ITSC), AK, September 2012.
- [8] DVS: A Distributed Virtual Signboard for Information Dissemination and Preservation in Vehicular Networks, Intelligent Transportation Systems Conference (ITSC), AK, September 2012.
- [9] Formal Synthesis of Embedded Control Software: Applications in Autonomy, Vehicle Management and Multi-Target Tracking, Invited talk at Cornell University, Ithaca, NY, October 2011.
- [10] Synthesis of Provably Correct Controllers for Autonomous Vehicles in Urban Environments, IEEE conference on Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITSC), Washington, DC, October 2011.
- [11] TuLiP: A Software Toolbox for Receding Horizon Temporal Logic Planning, Hybrid Systems: Computation and Control (HSCC), Chicago, IL, April 2011.
- [12] Formal Synthesis of Embedded Control Software for Vehicle Management Systems, AIAA Infotech@Aerospace, St Louis, MO, March 2011.
- [13] Formal Synthesis of Embedded Control Software: Applications in Autonomy, Vehicle Management and Multi-Target Tracking, Invited talk at Boston University, Boston, MA, October 2010.
- [14] Formal Synthesis of Embedded Control Software: Applications in Autonomy, Vehicle Management and Multi-Target Tracking, Multiscale Systems Center and Gigascale Systems Research Center 1st Annual Joint Review, San Jose, CA, September 2010.

- [15] Formal Methods for Design and Verification of Embedded Control Systems: Application to an Autonomous Vehicle, Invited talk at United Technologies Research Center, East Hartford, CT, May 2010.
- [16] Receding Horizon Framework for Temporal Logic Specifications, ICRA Workshop on Formal Methods for Robotics and Automation, Anchorage, AK, May 2010.
- [17] Receding Horizon Control for Temporal Logic Specifications, The 13th International Conference on Hybrid Systems: Computation and Control (HSCC), Stockholm, Sweden, April 2010.
- [18] Automatic Synthesis of Robust Embedded Control Software, AAAI Spring Symposium on Embedded Reasoning: Intelligence in Embedded Systems, Palo Alto, CA, March 2010.
- [19] Receding Horizon Temporal Logic Planning for Dynamical Systems, IEEE Conference on Decision and Control (CDC), Shanghai, China, December 2009.
- [20] Specification, Design and Verification of Distributed, Real-Time, Embedded Systems, Invited talk at Temasek Laboratories, Singapore, September 2009.
- [21] Receding Horizon Temporal Logic Planning for Dynamical Systems, Southern California Nonlinear Control Workshop, California Institute of Technology, Pasadena, CA, May 2009.
- [22] Periodically Controlled Hybrid Systems: Verifying a Controller for an Autonomous Vehicle, The 12th International Conference on Hybrid Systems: Computation and Control (HSCC), San Francisco, CA, April 2009.
- [23] Distributed Mission and Contingency Management for the DARPA Urban Challenge, The 2nd International Workshop on Intelligent Vehicle Control Systems, Funchal, Madeira, Portugal, May 2008.
- [24] Formal Verification of an Autonomous Vehicle System, Invited talk at Jet Propulsion Laboratory, Pasadena, CA, April 2008.
- [25] DARPA Urban Challenge: How to Incorporate Human Intelligence into a Self Driving Car, Invited talk at Chulalongkorn University, Bangkok, Thailand, March 2008.
- [26] Formal Verification of an Autonomous Vehicle System, Southern California Nonlinear Control Workshop, University of Southern California, Los Angeles, CA, January 2008.
- [27] Two Approaches to Dynamic Refinement in Hierarchical Motion Planning, AIAA Conference on Guidance, Navigation and Control, San Francisco, CA, August 2005.