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Research Interest

• Distributed Model Predictive Control

• Learning for Dynamics and Control

• Multi-agent Systems

• Robotics and Autonomous Systems

EDUCATION

University of Delaware

Newark, DE, USA

Ph.D. in Mechanical Engineering

Aug. 2021–Present

Advisor: Dr. Andreas Malikopoulos, Associate Professor, Department of Mechanical Engineering

Northern Arizona University

Flagstaff, AZ, USA

M.Sc. in Informatics, GPA: 4.00/4.00

Aug. 2019-May 2021

Advisor: Dr. Truong X. Nghiem, Assistant Professor, School of Informatics, Computing, and Cyber Systems

Hanoi University of Science and Technology

Hanoi, Vietnam

B.Sc. in Control Engineering and Automation (Talented Program¹), GPA: 3.44/4.00

Aug. 2014–Jun. 2019

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Northern Arizona University

Flagstaff, AZ, USA

Graduate Research Assistant at Intelligent Control System Laboratory

Aug. 2019-May. 2021

- Learning-based Model Predictive Control with Gaussian Processes
- Adaptive Sampling for Mobile Robotic Sensor Networks

Vietnam Maritime University

Haiphong, Vietnam

Undergraduate Research Intern at School of Mechanical Engineering

Sep. 2017–Mar. 2019

- Applications of modern control theories in designing digital controllers for crane systems
- Research, design, and manufacture of a floating crane testbed in the laboratory

Publications

- V.-A. Le, L. Nguyen, and T. X. Nghiem, "Multi-Step Predictions for Adaptive Sampling using Proximal ADMM", TechRxiv preprint, 2021.
- [2] V.-A. Le and T. X. Nghiem, "Distributed Experiment Design and Control for Multi-agent Systems with Gaussian Processes", in 2021 IEEE Conference on Decision and Control (CDC), accepted.
- [3] V.-A. Le and T. X. Nghiem, "A Receding Horizon Approach for Simultaneous Active Learning and Control using Gaussian Processes", in 2021 IEEE Conference on Control Technology and Applications (CCTA), accepted.
- [4] V.-A. Le, L. Nguyen, and T. X. Nghiem, "An Efficient Adaptive Sampling Approach for Mobile Robotic Sensor Networks using Proximal ADMM", in 2021 American Control Conference (ACC), accepted.
- [5] V.-A. Le, L. Nguyen, and T. X. Nghiem, "ADMM-Based Adaptive Sampling Strategy for Nonholonomic Mobile Robotic Sensor Networks", IEEE Sensors Journal, vol. 21, no. 13, pp. 15369–15378, 2021.
- [6] V.-A. Le and T. X. Nghiem, "Gaussian Process Based Distributed Model Predictive Control for Multi-agent Systems using Sequential Convex Programming and ADMM", in 2020 IEEE Conference on Control Technology and Applications (CCTA), IEEE, 2020, pp. 31–36.

¹An undergraduate program for approximately top 100 students in five majors

- [7] T. X. Nghiem, T.-D. Nguyen, and V.-A. Le, "Fast Gaussian Process based Model Predictive Control with Uncertainty Propagation", in 2019 57th Annual Allerton Conference on Communication, Control, and Computing (Allerton), IEEE, 2019, pp. 1052–1059.
- [8] V.-A. Le, X. H. Le, L. Nguyen, and X. M. Phan, "An efficient adaptive hierarchical sliding mode control strategy using neural networks for 3D overhead cranes", *International Journal of Automation and Computing*, vol. 16, no. 5, pp. 614–627, 2019.
- [9] X. H. Le, V.-A. Le, and L. Nguyen, "Adaptive fuzzy observer based hierarchical sliding mode control for uncertain 2D overhead cranes", Cyber-Physical Systems, vol. 5, no. 3, pp. 191–208, 2019.
- [10] V. T. Nguyen, T. K. D. Ha, V.-A. Le, et al., "Modeling and integral hierarchical sliding-mode control for 2D ship-mounted crane", in 2019 First International Symposium on Instrumentation, Control, Artificial Intelligence, and Robotics (ICA-SYMP), IEEE, 2019, pp. 82–85.
- [11] V.-A. Le, X. H. Le, D. T. Vu, V. T. Pham, A. T. Le, and M. C. Hoang, "Designing an adaptive controller for 3D overhead cranes using hierarchical sliding mode and neural network", in 2018 International Conference on System Science and Engineering (ICSSE), IEEE, 2018, pp. 1–6.
- [12] A. T. Le, M. C. Hoang, V. T. Pham, C. N. Luong, D. T. Vu, and V.-A. Le, "Adaptive neural network sliding mode control of shipboard container cranes considering actuator backlash", *Mechanical Systems and Signal Processing*, vol. 112, pp. 233–250, 2018.

FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

- June. 2021: Student Travel Award by IEEE Control Systems Society (CSS) for the 2021 IEEE Conference on Control Technology and Applications (CCTA)
- May. 2021: Student Registration Support for the 2021 American Control Conference (ACC)
- Aug. 2020: Student Travel Award by IEEE Control Systems Society (CSS) for the 2020 IEEE Conference on Control Technology and Applications (CCTA)
- Aug. 2019: Northern Arizona University's Presidential Fellowship
- Aug. 2018: Odon Vallet's Scholarship (established by Prof. Odon Vallet from Sorbonne University) for undergraduate students
- Jun. 2018: Conference Travel Award by Vietnam's National Foundation for Science and Technology Development (NAFOSTED) for the 2018 IEEE International Conference on System Science and Engineering (ICSSE)
- Apr. 2015: Gold Medal in the 2015 Vietnam's National Mathematical Olympiad for undergraduate students

TECHNICAL SKILLS

- Programming languages: Python, Julia, MATLAB, C/C++, R.
- Software/Tools: Git, LaTex, Robot Operating System (ROS), Labview.

Academic Memberships

• Student Member, IEEE 2020—Present

• Student Member, IEEE Control System Society 2020—Present