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Personal Statement

- I passionately research and teach Robotics, with expertise in multi-robot control, communication, collaboration, and coordination aspects.
- I'm more of an experimentalist and love to do hands-on real-world implementations, grounded on strong theoretical framework.
- My vision is to capacitate autonomous heterogeneous robotic vehicles with intelligent, resilient and robust coordination mechanisms through devising advanced communication and wireless sensing methods.

Research Interests

- > Networked Multi-Robot Systems
- > Search, Rescue, and Field Robotics
- > Robotic Sensor Networks
- > Human-Robot Interaction/Interfaces
- > Swarm Robotics
- > Assistive Robotic Technologies
- > Robotics in Nuclear Facilities

Education

- 11/2011 – 10/2014 [Ph.D. in Robotics and Automation](#)
UPM - Universidad Politécnica de Madrid (Technical University of Madrid), Madrid, Spain
- 07/2008 – 05/2010 [Masters of Technology \(M.Tech\) in Instrument Technology](#)
IIT-D - Indian Institute of Technology Delhi, New Delhi, India
- 03/2010 – 05/2010 [M.Sc. Exchange Student in Electrical Engineering](#)
EPFL - École Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne, Lausanne, Switzerland
- 08/2004 – 05/2008 [Bachelor of Engineering \(B.E\) in Electronics and Instrumentation](#)
TCE - Thiagarajar College of Engineering (Anna University), Madurai, India

Work Experience

- 2018 - Present** | **Assistant Professor, UGA, Athens, GA, USA**
- > Conduct research, teaching, and supervision in the Department of Computer Science at UGA.
 - > Directing the Heterogeneous Robotics (*HeRo*) Research Lab at UGA.
- [Multi-Robot Systems](#) [Networked Robots](#) [Rescue Robotics](#) [Human-Robot Interfaces](#)
- 2016 - 2018** | **Postdoctoral Research Associate, Purdue University, West Lafayette, USA**
- > Involved in the research, teaching, and mentoring activities in the SMART lab with Prof. Byung-Cheol Min.
 - > Contributing to the NSF/RoSeHub project.
 - > Performed independent research in Networked Robots and Assistive Technologies.
- [Networked Robots](#) [Multi-Robot Coordination](#) [Consensus/Rendezvous](#) [Unmanned Surface Vehicles](#)
- 2014 - 2016** | **Postdoctoral Researcher and Teacher, KTH Royal Institute of Technology, Stockholm, Sweden**
- > Performed research in robust communications for field robots with Prof. Petter Ögren.
 - > Teacher and Course Responsible for the course EL2310 - Scientific Programming (Fall 2015, Fall 2015).
 - > Supervised masters students and mentored Ph.D. students.
 - > Involved in two European research projects (EU-FP7) TRADR and RECONFIG.
- [Machine Learning](#) [Urban Search and Rescue Robots \(USAR\)](#) [Intelligent Teleoperation](#) [Human-Robot Interfaces](#)
- 2011 - 2014** | **Fellow (Researcher), CERN - European Organization for Nuclear Research, Geneva, Switzerland**
- > Conducted research in wireless communications for mobile robots used in autonomous radiation survey at CERN facilities such as the Large Hadron Collider (LHC).
 - > Involved in an EU doctoral research training network (EU-FP7) PURES SAFE, supervised by Prof. Manuel Ferre.
 - > Lead a project in developing an energy management system for a robotic train in the LHC and SPS facilities.
- [Robots in Nuclear/Scientific Facilities](#) [Wireless Communications](#) [Relay Robots](#) [Teleoperation Interface](#)
- 2010 - 2011** | **Associate Applications Engineer, Oracle Corp., Bangalore, India**
- > Applications developer in the Peoplesoft Human Resource Management Systems (HRMS) group.
- [Peoplesoft Tools](#) [Oracle SQL](#) [Human Capital Management \(HCM\)](#)

Funding/Grants Awarded

- PI of a **Research Grant** on the project titled "Cooperative Multi-Agent Systems" from the U.S. Army DCIST-Cooperative Research Agreement (CRA) (2023-2026). Total Project: \$1.68M (PI Share: \$1.32M).
- Co-PI of a **Research Grant** on the project titled "Test & Evaluation for Soldier-Machine Decision-Making Systems" from the U.S. Army DEVCOM Data Analysis Center (2022-2027). Total Project: \$4.43M (Co-PI Share: \$221.5).
- PI of an **E-mobility Seed Grant** for the project titled "Smart and Collaborative E-Mobility Testbed" funded by the UGA College of Engineering and the Office of Research (2023-2024). Amount: \$61K.
- Co-PI of an **E-mobility Seed Grant** for the project titled "Data-driven Ultra-fast, Reliable, and Low-latency Wireless Communication for E- Vehicles" funded by the UGA College of Engineering and the Office of Research (2023-2024). Amount: \$61K.
- Co-PI of a **IIPA Seed Grant** for the project titled "EggPicker: A mobile robotic system for identifying, localizing, and collecting floor eggs in cage-free hen housing environments" funded by the UGA Institute of Integrative Precision Agriculture (2023-2024). Amount: \$30K.
- PI of a **Learning Technology Grant** from UGA (2019-2020). Amount: \$25k.
- Received Cloud Platform **Education Grant** from Google (2019).
- PI of UGA-University of Liverpool **Faculty Research Exchange** Visit Grant (2019).
- Postdoctoral **Travel Grant**, Purdue University (2017, 2018).
- Marie-Sklodowska-Curie Actions - **Research Fellowship Grant** from the European Commission (20011-2014).

Honors, Awards, and Achievements

- Awarded **Open Science Faculty Fellowship** by NSF Open Science Alliance Project (2023).
- Awarded **Marie-Sklodowska-Curie** Research Fellowship (2011-2014).
- Awarded **IITD-EPFL Exchange** Fellowship (2010).
- Awarded DST-MHRD India **GATE** Scholarship (2008-2010).
- **National Finalist** in Motorola India Scholar Program (2008) and Cadence India Design Contest (2009).
- Awarded **Gold Medal** for *Best Outgoing Student Excellence* (out of 750+ students) at TCE (2008).
- Awarded IIT-M (Indian Institute of Technology Madras) **Summer Fellowship** (2007).

Publications and Presentations

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Journal Articles

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- [2] Ehsan Latif and Ramvijas Parasuraman. "Communication-Efficient Multi-Robot Exploration Using Coverage-biased Distributed Q-Learning." In: *IEEE Robotics and Automation Letters* (2024). Early Access. doi: 10.1109/LRA.2024.3358095.
- [3] Ehsan Latif and Ramvijas Parasuraman. "Instantaneous Wireless Robotic Node Localization Using Collaborative Direction of Arrival." In: *IEEE Internet of Things Journal* 11 (2 Jan. 2024), pp. 2783–2795. doi: 10.1109/JIOT.2023.3296334.
- [4] Aiman Munir and Ramvijas Parasuraman. "Exploration–Exploitation Tradeoff in the Adaptive Information Sampling of Unknown Spatial Fields with Mobile Robots." In: *Sensors* 23.23 (2023), p. 9600. doi: 10.3390/s23239600.
- [5] Sanjay Sarma OV, Ramvijas Parasuraman, and Ramana Pidaparti. "KT-BT: A Framework for Knowledge Transfer Through Behavior Trees in Multi-Robot Systems." In: *IEEE Transactions of Robotics* 39 (5 2023), pp. 4114–4130. doi: 10.1109/TR0.2023.3290449.
- [6] Ehsan Latif and Ramvijas Parasuraman. "On the Intersection of Computational Geometry Algorithms with Mobile Robot Path Planning." In: *Algorithms* 16.11 (2023). **Featured in the Cover of Issue**, p. 498. doi: 10.3390/a16110498.
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- [8] Nazish Tahir and Ramvijas Parasuraman. "Analog Twin Framework for Human and AI Supervisory Control and Teleoperation of Robots." In: *IEEE Transactions on Systems, Man, and Cybernetics: Systems* 53.5 (2023), pp. 2616–2628. doi: 10.1109/TSMC.2022.3216206.
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- [10] Min Ku Kim and Ramvijas Parasuraman and Liu Wang and Yeonsoo Park and Bongjoong Kim and Seung Jun Lee and Nanshu Lu and Byung-Cheol Min and Chi Hwan Lee. "Soft-packaged sensory glove system for human-like natural interaction and control of prosthetic hands." In: *NPG Asia Material (Nature)* 11.43 (Aug. 2019). doi: 10.1038/s41427-019-0143-9.
- [11] Michele Colledanchise, Ramvijas Parasuraman, and Petter Ögren. "Learning of Behavior Trees for Autonomous Agents." In: *Transactions on Games* 11.2 (June 2019). doi: 10.1109/TG.2018.2816806.
- [12] Jonghoek Kim, Shaocheng Luo, Ramvijas Parasuraman, Jun Han Bae, Eric T Matson, and Byung-Cheol Min. "Multi-robot Rendezvous Based on Bearing-aided Hierarchical Tracking of Network Topology." In: *Adhoc Networks* 86 (Apr. 2019), pp. 131–143. doi: 10.1016/j.adhoc.2018.11.004.
- [13] Mohamed Haseeb and Ramvijas Parasuraman. "Wisture: Touch-less Hand Gesture Classification in Unmodified Smartphones Using Wi-Fi Signals." In: *IEEE Sensors* 19.1 (Jan. 2019). doi: 10.1109/JSEN.2018.2876448.

- [14] Danilo Tardioli, Ramviyas Parasuraman, and Petter Ögren. "Pound: A multi-master ROS node for Reducing Delay and Jitter in Wireless Multi-Robot Networks." In: *Robotics and Autonomous Systems* 111 (Jan. 2019), pp. 73–87. doi: 10.1016/j.robot.2018.10.009.
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- [11] Michael Starks, Aryan Gupta, Sanjay Sarma, and Ramviyas Parasuraman. "HeRoSwarm: Fully-Capable Miniature Swarm Robot Hardware Design With Open-Source ROS Support." In: *2023 IEEE/SICE International Symposium on System Integrations (SII 2023)*. Jan. 2023. doi: 10.1109/SII55687.2023.10039174.
- [12] Ehsan Latif and Ramviyas Parasuraman. "DGORL: Distributed Graph Optimization based Relative Localization of Multi-Robot Systems." In: *The 16th International Symposium on Distributed Autonomous Robotic Systems (DARS 2022)*. **Finalist for Best Paper Award**. Nov. 2022. doi: 10.48550/arXiv.2210.01662.
- [13] Pranav Pandey and Ramviyas Parasuraman. "Empirical Analysis of Bi-directional Wi-Fi Network Performance on Mobile Robots in Indoor Environments." In: *2022 IEEE 95th Vehicular Technology Conference: (VTC 2022)*. June 2022, pp. 1–7. doi: 10.1109/VTC2022-Spring54318.2022.9860438.
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- [17] Yikang Gui, Ehsan Latif, and Ramviyas Parasuraman. "Message Expiration-Based Distributed Multi-Robot Task Management Conference Forthcoming." In: *The 5th International Symposium on Swarm Behavior and Bio-Inspired Robotics (SWARM)*. Jan. 2022. url: <https://arxiv.org/abs/2201.02750>.
- [18] Sanjay Sarma OV, Ramviyas Parasuraman, and Ramana Pidaparti. "A study on the ephemeral nature of knowledge shared between multi-agent and swarm systems through behavior trees." In: *The 5th International Symposium on Swarm Behavior and Bio-Inspired Robotics (SWARM)*. Jan. 2022. url: <https://arxiv.org/pdf/2112.15282>.
- [19] Qin Yang and Ramviyas Parasuraman. "How Can Robots Trust Each Other For Better Cooperation? A Relative Needs Entropy Based Robot-Robot Trust Assessment Models." In: *IEEE SMC 2021 International Conference on Systems, Man, and Cybernetics*. Oct. 2021. doi: 10.1109/SMC52423.2021.9659187.

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- [23] Shyam Sundar Kannan, Wonse Jo, Ramviyas Parasuraman, and Byung-Cheol Min. "Material Mapping in Unknown Environments using Tapping Sound." In: *2020 IEEE/RSJ International Conference on Intelligent Robots and Systems (IROS 2020)*. Oct. 2020. doi: [10.1109/IROS45743.2020.9341346](https://doi.org/10.1109/IROS45743.2020.9341346).
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Invited Talks, Seminars, and Guest Lectures

- [1] *Communication-Efficient Learning and Exploration in Multi-Robot Systems*. Invited Talk at University of North Carolina, Charlotte, Feb. 2024.
- [2] *Collaborative Localization of Mobile Robots Using Wireless Signals*. Invited Talk at Engineering & Maths Research Seminar Series, Sheffield Hallam University, UK, Nov. 2023.
- [3] *Robot Twins for Computing and Autonomy*. Invited Talk, Cyber-Physical Systems Symposium, UGA, Aug. 2023.
- [4] *Multi-Robot Localization Algorithms*. Invited Talk at the University of Liverpool, UK, May 2023.
- [5] *Heterogeneous Robotics Research*. Guest Lecture, FYOS Seminar - Asian Americans' contributions to USA's science and lecture, UGA, Nov. 2022.
- [6] *Heterogeneous Multi-Robot Systems*. Invited Talk, Cyber-Physical Systems Symposium, UGA, Aug. 2022.
- [7] *Heterogeneous Multi-Robot Systems*. Invited Talk, Phenomics and Plant Robotics Center Symposium, UGA, Sept. 2021.
- [8] *Learning Time Series Data: A Case Study on Wi-Fi Signal Classification For On-Air Hand Gesture Detection*. Invited Seminar, Thiagarajar College of Engineering, India, Aug. 2021.
- [9] *Exploiting Connectivity Graph for Multi-Robot Control Mechanisms*. Invited Talk, National Institute of Technology Silchar, India, Sept. 2020.
- [10] *Robotics and Control*. Guest Lecture, Computer Architecture and Organization, UGA, Mar. 2020.
- [11] *Learning On-Air Hand Gestures From Wi-Fi Signals on Smartphones*. Invited Talk, Deep Learning Seminar, UGA, Oct. 2019.
- [12] *Trends in Micro Nano Multi Robot Systems*. Invited Talk, Applied Physics Seminar, UGA, Feb. 2019.
- [13] *Bridging Robotics and Wireless Networking*. Guest Lecture, FYOS 1001, UGA, Nov. 2018.
- [14] *Networked Robotics Research*. Guest Lecture, ATRI 8800, UGA, Oct. 2018.
- [15] *Robot Control, Communication, and Learning Using Wireless Networks*. Invited Talk, UGA, Apr. 2018.
- [16] *Use of Wireless Network Measurements for Mobile Robot Systems*. Invited Talk, IIT Madras, India, Mar. 2018.
- [17] *Gaussian Processes for Regression*. Seminar, SMART lab, Purdue University, USA, Jan. 2018.
- [18] *Resilient Control and Communications for Multi-Robot Systems*. Invited Talk, IIT Palakkad, India, Jan. 2018.
- [19] *Robotic Technologies for Assistive Wheelchairs*. Guest Lecture, Introduction to Assistive Technology and Robotics, Purdue University, USA, Oct. 2017.
- [20] *Tutorial on Robotarium for Multi-Robot Experiments*. Presentation, SMART lab, Purdue University, USA, Aug. 2017.
- [21] *Design Guidelines for Mobile Robotic Systems in Harsh Environments*. Guest Lecture, CNIT 581-008: Software Design and Development for Robotics, Purdue University, USA, Apr. 2017.
- [22] *Resilient Wireless Communications for Field Robots*. Invited Talk, Polytechnic Postdoctoral Seminar, Purdue University, USA, Mar. 2017.
- [23] *Short course on Robot Operating Systems (ROS)*. Guest Lecture, SMART lab, Purdue University, USA, Feb–May, 2017.

- [24] *Assistive Technologies for disabled - Mobility Enhancement*. Guest Lecture, CNIT 581-AST: Introduction to Assistive Technology and Robotics, Purdue University, USA, Oct. 2016.
- [25] *Progress on Work Package 2 of EU-FP7 TRADR Project*. Invited Talk, TRADR Review Meeting Year 2, Dortmund IFR, Germany, Mar. 2016.
- [26] *Wireless Communication Enhancement Methods for Mobile Robots in Scientific Facilities*. Invited Talk, PURES SAFE Final Conference, Geneva, Switzerland, Jan. 2016.
- [27] *Generic mobile platform modules development for remote radiation survey and inspection*. Invited Talk, CERN Engineering Department Technical Meeting (ENTM), Geneva, Switzerland, Dec. 2012.

Teaching and Supervision

- Instructor:** [Spring 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024](#) CSCI 8535 Multi-Robot Systems (4 Credits), UGA.
A graduate-level course on the recent topics in Multi-Robot Systems research.
- [Fall 2023](#) CSCI 8530 Advanced Topics in Robotics (4 Credits), UGA.
A graduate-level course on the recent topics in Robotics research.
- [Fall 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023](#) CSCI (ATRI) 4530/6530 Introduction to Robotics (4 Credits), UGA.
A split-level (undergraduate and graduate) course covering various topics on autonomous mobile robotics.
- [Fall 2021](#) CSCI 1300-1300L Introduction to Python Programming (4 Credits), UGA.
An introductory undergraduate course covering the basics of programming and Python.
- [Spring 2022, Spring 2023](#) FYOS 1001 Robotics and Autonomous Vehicles (1 Credit), UGA.
A freshman undergraduate seminar course covering the fundamentals of robotics and autonomous vehicles to attract freshmen students towards research and relevant courses in computer science.
- [Fall 2015, Fall 2016](#) EL2310 Scientific Programming (7.5 ECTS credits, 40 hours), KTH.
A split-level (undergraduate and graduate) course on the basics of C, C++, and MATLAB programming.
- Supervisor:** [Current Graduate/Thesis students](#) - Nazish Tahir (PhD-CS), Aiman Munir (PhD-CS), Pranav Pandey (PhD-CS, co-supervised with Dr. Prashant Doshi), Shailendra Bathula (MS-AI), Arnav Arora (MS-CS).
[Current Undergraduate Students](#) - Neil Patel (CSE), Samuel Lemus (CS), Kartikey Sankhdhar (CS), Arnav Arora (CS)
[Former Graduate/Thesis Students](#) - Ehsan Latif (now Postdoc at UGA), Qin Yang (now Asst. Prof. at Bradley University), Sanjay Sarma (now Postdoc at RPI), Siva Ravipati, Caleb Adams (now Program Manager at NASA).
[Former Undergraduate Students](#) - Micahel Starks, Caroline Lessiter, Diego Almeida, Nachiket Hinge, Hakan Grunerli, Ravi Parashar, Anderson Molter, Ervin Enriquez, Anushka Bagad, Jacob Gil, Mohammed Mohammed, Madhurya Gajula, Sharanya Pillalamarri, Luke Lashley, Parisha Reddy, Karthik Paladugula, Davielle Matos, Linsey Brialey, Mahdi Ghafouri.
- Mentor:** [Capstone Projects](#) Multi-Robot Maze Testbed (2023-2024), Power-Sharing Swarm Robot Design (2022-2023), Poultry Patrol Robot (2021-2022)

- Chair/Organizing Committee:** Chair of Workshop Organizing Committee: ICRA 2023 Full-day Workshop on Communication Challenges in Multi-Robot Systems: Perception, Coordination, and Learning (June 2023).
- Editorial activities:** Associate Editor for the International Symposium on Multi-Robot and Multi-Agent Systems (*MRS 2023*).
Associate Editor for the International Conference on Robotics and Automation (*ICRA 2020*).
Guest editor in the *Frontier in Robotics and AI* Journal (2022-Current).
Guest editor for a special issue on “Heterogeneity in Intelligent Mobile Robots and Systems” in the *Machines* Journal of the MDPI Publishers (2022-Current).
Guest editor for a special issue on “Assistive Robotics” in the *Technologies* Journal of the MDPI Publishers (2017-2018).
- Journal Reviewer:** IEEE Trans. Robotics, Intl. J. Robotics Research, Journal of Field Robotics, ACM Trans. Human-Robot Interaction, IEEE Trans. Cybernetics, IEEE Trans. SMC Systems, IEEE Systems Journal, Autonomous Agents and Multiagent Systems, IEEE Robotics and Automation Letters, IEEE Trans. Mechatronics, Autonomous Robots, IEEE Trans. Human-Machine Systems, Journal of Intelligent Robot Systems, IEEE Sensors, PLOS One, Mobile Networks and Applications.
- Conference PC/Reviewer:** Intelligent Robots and Systems (IROS), Robotics and Automation (ICRA), Human-Robot Interaction (HRI), Joint Conference on Artif. Intel. (IJCAI), Search and Rescue Robotics (SSRR), Multi Robot Systems (MRS), Distributed Autonomous Robots Systems (DARS), Vehicular Technology Conference (VTC), Sensors, Decision and Control (CDC), American Control (ACC), Telecommunications (WTS), etc.
- Grant Reviewer:** NSF Review Panel Member (2018,2021), Army Research Office (2021).
- Professional memberships:** IEEE Member (current), IEEE Robotics and Automation Society (RAS) (current), IEEE Vehicular Technology Society (VTS) (current), IEEE Communications Society (ComSoc) (2011-2013), IEEE Signal Processing Society (SPS) (2014-present), IFAC Associate (2012-present), Institution of Engineers India (2005-2008), IEEE RAS TC on Telerobotics (2015-present), IEEE RAS TC on Robotics and Automation in Nuclear Facilities (2012-present), IEEE RAS TC on Multi-Robot Systems (2017-current).
- Media appearance/Outreach:** My role and collaboration in a Nature’s Asia Materials paper was mentioned in the [news story](#) from Purdue.
Our paper on Learning Behavior Trees was highlighted in [Nordeous Engineering Blog](#) at this news story
I appeared in the PURESAFE [Promo/Outreach video](#) by CERN (Aug 2012).
I demonstrated cool robots during the [CERN Open Days](#) (Sep 2013), a public event which had more than 50,000 visitors.