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EDUCATION

Princeton University Ph.D., Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering	Princeton, NJ June 1996
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University of Michigan M.S.E., Aerospace Engineering	Ann Arbor, MI December 1989
Cornell University B.S., Mechanical Engineering (with Distinction); A.B., Mathematics	Ithaca, NY May 1988

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

University of Florida Department of Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering <i>Associate Professor</i> - University of Florida Term Professorship (August 2017 - August 2020) - Erich Farber Faculty Fellow (November 2016 - November 2019)	Gainesville, FL August 2012 - Present
<i>Assistant Professor</i>	July 2006 - August 2012
Boston University Department of Mechanical Engineering <i>Lecturer/Senior Lecturer</i>	Boston, MA September 2001 - May 2006

INDUSTRY APPOINTMENTS

The Charles Stark Draper Laboratory, Inc Guidance, Navigation, and Control Systems Division <i>Senior Member of the Technical Staff</i>	Cambridge, MA August 2000 - June 2006
The Aerospace Corporation Flight Mechanics Department <i>Senior Member of the Technical Staff</i> <i>Member of the Technical Staff</i>	El Segundo, CA February 1998 - August 2000 March 1996 - February 1998

CITATION STATISTICS

Web of Science Citation Count 1894 Total Citations	5 June 2018 h-Index = 17
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JOURNAL PUBLICATIONS

1. Hager, W. W., Hou, H., Mohapatra, S., and **Rao, A. V.**, "Convergence Rate for a Radau hp Collocation Method Applied to Unconstrained Optimal Control," *SIAM Journal on Control and Optimization*, Submitted for Publication, October 2017.

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5. Peloni, A., **Rao, A. V.**, and Ceriotti, M., "Automated Trajectory Optimizer for Solar Sailing (ATOSS)," *Aerospace Science and Technology*, Vol. 72, January 2018. pp. 465–475. DOI: 10.1016/j.ast.2017.11.025.
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8. Meyer, A. J., Eskinazi, I., Jackson, J. N., **Rao, A. V.**, Patten, C., and Fregly, B. J., "Muscle Synergies Facilitate Computational Prediction of Subject-Specific Walking Motions," *Frontiers in Bioengineering and Biotechnology*, Vol. 4, Article 77, October 2016, 26 pages. DOI: 10.3389/fbioe.2016.00077.
9. De Groote, F., Kinney, A. L., **Rao, A. V.**, and Fregly, B. J. "Evaluation of Direct Collocation Optimal Control Problem Formulations for Solving the Muscle Redundancy Problem," *Annals of Biomedical Engineering*, Vol. 44, No. 10, October 2016, pp. 2922–2936. DOI: 10.1007/s10439-016-1591-9.
10. Weinstein, M. J. and **Rao, A. V.**, "A Source Transformation via Operator Overloading Method for the Automatic Differentiation of Mathematical Functions in MATLAB," *ACM Transactions on Mathematical Software*, Vol. 42, No. 2, June 2016, pp. 11:1–11:44. DOI: 10.1145/2699456.
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35. Huntington, G. T. and **Rao, A. V.**, "Comparison of Global and Local Collocation Methods for Optimal Control," *Journal of Guidance, Control, and Dynamics*, Vol. 31, No. 2, March–April 2008, pp. 432–436. DOI: 10.2514/1.30915.
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2. Eide, J. and **Rao, A. V.**, "Modified Radau Collocation Method for Solving Optimal Control Problems with Nonsmooth Solutions. Part I: Lavrentiev Phenomenon and the Search Space," *2018 IEEE Conference on Decision and Control*, Submitted for Publication, March 2018.

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3. Agamawi, Y. and **Rao, A. V.**, "Exploiting Sparsity in Direct Collocation Pseudospectral Methods for Solving Multiple-Phase Optimal Control Problems," *2018 AIAA/AAS Space Flight Mechanics Meeting*, AIAA Paper 2018-0852, Kissimmee, Florida, 8 - 12 January 2018. <https://arc.aiaa.org/doi/abs/10.2514/6.2018-0724>.
4. Miller, A. T., Hager, W. W., and **Rao, A. V.**, "A Preliminary Analysis of Mesh Refinement for Optimal Control Using Discontinuity Detection via Jump Function Approximations," *2018 AIAA Guidance, Navigation, and Control Conference*, Kissimmee, Florida, 8 - 12 January 2018. Submitted for Publication, June 2017. AIAA Paper 2018-0852, Kissimmee, Florida, 8 - 12 January 2018. <https://arc.aiaa.org/doi/abs/10.2514/6.2018-0852>.
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11. Graham, K. F. and **Rao, A. V.**, "Mesh Refinement for Low-Thrust Trajectory Optimization of Earth-Orbit Transfers," *2015 AAS/AIAA Space Flight Mechanics Meeting*, AAS Paper 15-434, Williamsburg, Virginia, 11 - 15 January 2015.
12. Graham, K. F. and **Rao, A. V.**, "Low-Thrust Trajectory Optimization of Earth-Orbit Transfers with Eclipsing Constraints," *2015 AAS/AIAA Space Flight Mechanics Meeting*, AAS Paper 15-438, Williamsburg, Virginia, 11 - 15 January 2015.
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15. Liu, F., Hager, W. W., and **Rao, A. V.**, "An *hp* Mesh Refinement Method for Optimal Control Using Discontinuity Detection and Mesh Size Reduction," *2014 IEEE Conference on Decision and Control*, Los Angeles, California, 15 – 17 December 2014.
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17. Rexius, S. L., Rexius, T. E., Jorris, T. R., and **Rao, A. V.**, "Advances in Highly Constrained Multi-Phase Trajectory Generation Using the General Pseudospectral Optimization Software GPOPS," *2013 AIAA Guidance, Navigation, and Control Conference*, AIAA Paper 2013-4950, 19–22 August 2013, Boston, Massachusetts.

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GRADUATED Ph.D. STUDENTS

Student Name	Institution	Date Awarded	Current Employer
Dr. Fengjin Liu	University of Florida	December 2015	—
Dr. Kathryn F. Graham	University of Florida	December 2015	Shafer Corporation
Dr. Begum Cannataro	University of Florida	August 2015	Draper Laboratory
Dr. Matthew J. Weinstein	University of Florida	May 2015	Draper Laboratory
Dr. Camila C. Françolin	University of Florida	August 2013	Draper Laboratory
Dr. Michael A. Patterson	University of Florida	May 2013	Johns Hopkins Applied Physics Laboratory
Dr. Divya Garg	University of Florida	August 2011	Intel Corporation
Dr. Christopher L. Darby	University of Florida	April 2011	Intel Corporation
Dr. Geoffrey T. Huntington	MIT	May 2007	Blue Origin, LLC

CURRENT Ph.D. STUDENTS

Student Name	Institution	Expected Completion Date
Rachel Keil	University of Florida	May 2021
Miriam Dennis	University of Florida	May 2021
Yunus Agamawi	University of Florida	May 2020
Alexander Miller	University of Florida	May 2020
Joseph Eide	University of Florida	December 2017

TEACHING EVALUATIONS (UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA)

Course Number	Course Name	Semester Taught	Rao Overall Evaluation	Department Mean	College Mean
EML 4220	Mechanical Vibrations	Fall 2006	4.54	3.99	4.13
EML 4220	Mechanical Vibrations	Spring 2009	4.57	4.10	4.19

EML 4220	Mechanical Vibrations	Fall 2012	4.48	4.17	4.19
EAS 4510	Astrodynamics	Spring 2018	4.92	4.10	4.07
EGM 3400	Elements of Dynamics	Spring 2007	4.60	4.00	4.17
EGM 3400	Elements of Dynamics	Fall 2008	4.75	4.10	4.19
EGM 3400	Elements of Dynamics	Fall 2010	4.64	4.14	4.21
EGM 3401	Engineering Dynamics	Spring 2007	4.70	4.00	4.17
EGM 3401	Engineering Dynamics	Fall 2008	4.79	4.10	4.19
EGM 3401	Engineering Dynamics	Fall 2010	4.66	4.14	4.21
EGM 3401	Engineering Dynamics	Spring 2011	4.76	4.12	4.11
EGM 3401	Engineering Dynamics	Spring 2013	4.57	4.16	4.15
EGM 3401	Engineering Dynamics	Fall 2014	4.62	4.07	4.13
EGM 3401	Engineering Dynamics	Spring 2015	4.90	4.13	4.14
EGM 3401	Engineering Dynamics	Fall 2016	4.85	4.18	4.15
EGM 3401	Engineering Dynamics	Spring 2017	4.93	4.21	4.16
EGM 3401	Engineering Dynamics	Spring 2018	4.88	4.10	4.07
EML 5215	Analytical Dynamics	Fall 2007	4.54	3.99	4.14
EML 5215	Analytical Dynamics	Fall 2009	4.75	4.14	4.18
EML 5215	Analytical Dynamics	Fall 2011	4.67	4.11	4.17
EML 5215	Analytical Dynamics	Fall 2013	4.14	4.05	4.17
EML 6934	Optimal Control	Spring 2008	4.53	4.08	4.20
EML 6934	Optimal Control	Spring 2010	4.35	4.10	4.17
EML 6934	Optimal Control	Spring 2012	4.50	4.20	4.17
EML 6934	Optimal Control	Spring 2014	4.56	4.09	4.14
EML 6934	Optimal Control	Fall 2017	4.77	4.44	4.40

EXTERNAL RESEARCH FUNDING

Total Funding as PI or Co-PI	\$5,148,110
Agency Role Title	National Science Foundation Principal Investigator (Co-PI: M. Kumar)
Period of Performance	A Computational Framework for Chance-Constrained Optimal Control July 2016 to June 2019
Amount	\$400,000
Agency Role Title	U.S. Naval Air Systems Command (via Systems Technology, Inc) Principal Investigator (Co-PI: W. W. Hager)
Period of Performance	Phase II: Pseudospectral Optimal Control for Flight Trajectory Optimization January 2017 to January 2019
Amount	\$295,580
Agency Role Title	U.S. Naval Air Systems Command (via Systems Technology, Inc) Principal Investigator (Co-PI: W. W. Hager)
Period of Performance	Phase I: Pseudospectral Optimal Control for Flight Trajectory Optimization July 2015 to October 2016
Amount	\$72,500
Agency Role Title	U.S. Air Force Research Laboratory Principal Investigator (Co-PI: W. W. Hager)
Period of Performance	Solutions to Optimal Control Problems for Boost Glide High-Speed Applications September 2015 to September 2017
Amount	\$358,842
Agency Role Title	NASA Florida Space Grant Consortium Principal Investigator
Period of Performance	A Novel Computational Approach to Solving Optimal Control Problems Whose Solutions Lie on Singular Arcs August 2015 to August 2016
Amount	\$25,000

Agency Role Title	National Science Foundation Co-Principal Investigator (PI: W. W. Hager)
Period of Performance	Fast Sparse Nonlinear Optimization and Its Application to Optimal Control July 2015 to July 2018
Amount	\$299,793
Agency Role Title	U.S. Office of Naval Research Co-Principal Investigator (PI: W. W. Hager)
Period of Performance	New Innovations in Large-Scale Sparse Optimization and Applications March 2015 to February 2018
Amount	\$479,870
Agency Role Title	National Science Foundation Co-Principal Investigator (PI: B. J. Fregly)
Period of Performance	A Next-Generation Computation Framework for Predicting Optimal Walking Motion August 2014 to August 2017
Amount	\$499,994
Agency Role Title	National Aeronautics and Space Administration Principal Investigator
Period of Performance	A Computational Approach for the Efficient and Accurate Solutions of Low-Thrust Trajectory Optimization Problems August 2014 to August 2015
Amount	\$30,657
Agency Role Title	U. S. Space and Naval Warfare Systems Command Principal Investigator (Co-PI: M. Kumar)
Period of Performance	A Computational Approach for Probabilistically Constrained Design Optimization Using Generalized Polynomial Chaos and Pseudospectral Methods (Phase 1: gPC Modeling and Sparse Symmetric Linear Solver) September 2013 to December 2014
Amount	\$247,083
Agency Role Title	NASA Florida Space Grant Consortium Principal Investigator
Period of Performance	A Novel Computational Framework for Efficient and Accurate Low-Thrust Optimal Mission Planning August 2013 to February 2015
Amount	\$25,000
Agency Role Title	National Aeronautics and Space Administration Principal Investigator
Period of Performance	Low-Thrust Trajectory Optimization Using Pseudospectral Methods January 2012 to December 2012
Amount	\$25,000
Agency Role Title	U. S. Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency Principal Investigator (Co-PI: W. W. Hager)
Period of Performance	A Computational Framework for the Rapid, Reliable, & Robust Solutions to Complex Constrained Optimal Control Problems October 2011 to October 2014
Amount	\$986,684
Agency Role Title	U. S. Office of Naval Research Principal Investigator (Co-PI: W. W. Hager)
Period of Performance	A Computational Framework for the Real-Time Solution of Optimal Control Problems November 2010 to October 2013
Amount	\$551,728
Agency Role Title	Advatech Pacific/U. S. Air Force Research Laboratory Principal Investigator
Period of Performance	Advancement in Computational Methods for Optimal Control Using Pseudospectral Methods

Period of Performance Amount	September 2010 to May 2011 \$75,000
Agency Role Title	U. S. Air Force Research Laboratory Principal Investigator A Pseudospectral Mission Planning Tool for Prompt Global Strike
Period of Performance Amount	September 2009 to August 2010 \$75,000
Agency Role Title	NASA Florida Space Grant Consortium Principal Investigator A Multi-Disciplinary Design Optimization Approach to Rapid Space Planning for Operationally Responsive Space
Period of Performance Amount	August 2009 to August 2010 \$16,000
Agency Role Title	Lockheed-Martin Corporation Co-Principal Investigator (PI: G. Wiens) Multi-Disciplinary Design Optimization of Aeroassisted Orbital Transfer
Period of Performance Amount	January 2009 to December 2009 \$95,000
Agency Role Title	U. S. Office of Naval Research Principal Investigator A Computational Approach for Autonomous Undersea Vehicle Near-Optimal Path Planning and Guidance
Period of Performance Amount	September 2008 to August 2012 \$224,379
Agency Role Title	U. S. Army Research Office Principal Investigator (Co-PI: W. W. Hager) A Computational Framework for Path Planning and Guidance for Dynamical Systems with Nonholonomic Constraints
Period of Performance Amount	September 2008 to June 2009 \$50,000
Agency Role Title	NASA Florida Space Grant Consortium Principal Investigator Student Award for Trajectory Optimization
Period of Performance Amount	August 2008 to August 2009 \$10,000
Agency Role Title	NASA Florida Space Grant Consortium Principal Investigator A Computational Approach for Rapid Space Mission Planning
Period of Performance Amount	August 2007 to August 2008 \$25,000
Agency Role Title	ATK Launch Systems Principal Investigator Launch Vehicle Ascent Guidance Using Pseudospectral Methods
Period of Performance Amount	July 2007 to August 2008 \$65,000
Agency Role Title	ATK Launch Systems Principal Investigator Launch Vehicle Ascent Guidance Using Pseudospectral Methods
Period of Performance Amount	January 2007 to June 2007 \$60,000
Agency Role Title	National Aeronautics and Space Administration Principal Investigator Legendre Pseudospectral Method for Multiple Spacecraft Formation Flying
Period of Performance	July 2003 to June 2006

INVITED TALKS

Institution	Topic	Dates
Pennsylvania State University	Next-Generation Computational Framework for Rapid and Reliable Solutions to Optimal Control Problems	March 2017
University of Cincinnati	Next-Generation Computational Framework for Rapid and Reliable Solutions to Optimal Control Problems	November 2016
University of Texas at Arlington	Next-Generation Computational Framework for Rapid and Reliable Solutions to Optimal Control Problems	September 2016
International Conference on Continuous Optimization (ICCOPT 2016)	Novel Computational Framework for the Numerical Solution of Constrained Optimal Control Problems	August 2016
Georgia Institute of Technology	Next-Generation Computational Framework for Rapid and Reliable Solutions to Optimal Control Problems	March 2016
University of Edinburgh – International Symposium for Computer Simulation in Biomechanics	Numerical Methods for Optimal Control	July 2015
Imperial College of Science & Technology – 2015 British-French-German Conference on Optimization	Graph Coarsening of KKT Systems Arising in Orthogonal Collocation Methods for Optimal Control	June 2015
Clemson University	Next-Generation Computational Framework for Rapid and Reliable Solutions to Optimal Control Problems	April 2015
Oxford University	Pseudospectral Methods: Theory and Practice	March 2014
Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University	Next-Generation Computational Framework for Rapid and Reliable Solutions to Optimal Control Problems	January 2014
Johannes Kepler University – Workshop on Optimization and Optimal	Survey of Numerical Methods for Optimal Control Control	July 2013
Oxford University	Pseudospectral Methods: Theory and Practice	December 2012
McGill University – 2012 Bellairs Workshop on Computer Graphics & Animation	Pseudospectral Methods: for Optimal Control for Computer Animation	March 2012
University of Toronto	Next-Generation Computational Framework for Rapid and Reliable Solutions to Optimal Control Problems	March 2012
George Washington University	Next-Generation Computational Framework for Rapid and Reliable Solutions to Optimal Control Problems	April 2010
Georgia Institute of Technology	Next-Generation Computational Framework for Rapid and Reliable Solutions to Optimal Control Problems	March 2010
University of Illinois at Urbana – Champaign	Next-Generation Computational Framework for Rapid and Reliable Solutions to Optimal Control Problems	March 2010

CONSULTING AND SHORT COURSES

Institution	Work Performed	Dates
Lockheed-Martin Space Systems	Optimal Control Consulting	August 2017
NASA Goddard Space Flight Center	Short Course on Optimal Control	July 2016
Doolittle Institute (Eglin Air Force Base)	Short Course on Optimal Control	December 2015
Edwards Air Force Base	Short Course on Optimal Control	August 2015
MITRE Corporation	Optimal Control Consulting	July 2015 – Present
Doolittle Institute (Eglin Air Force Base)	Short Course on Optimal Control	October 2014
Edwards Air Force Base	Short Course on Optimal Control	September 2014
Kirtland Air Force Base	Short Course on Optimal Control	July 2014
Doolittle Institute (Eglin Air Force Base)	Short Course on Optimal Control	May 2014
Edwards Air Force Base	Short Course on Optimal Control	March 2013
Advatech Pacific	Optimal Control Consulting	Throughout 2010 – 2011
Analytical Graphics, Inc.	Short Course on Optimal Control	May 2010

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Role	Service	Dates of Service
Member, Space Flight Mechanics Technical Committee	American Astronautical Society	September 2016 to Present
General Chair	2012 AIAA/AAS Astrodynamics Specialist Conference	August 2012
Technical Chair	2009 AAS/AIAA Astrodynamics Specialist Conference	August 2009
Associate Editor	Journal of the Astronautical Sciences	November 2006 to Date
Associate Editor	Journal of Optimization Theory and Applications	June 2011 to Date
Associate Editor	Journal of Spacecraft and Rockets	January 2015 to Date
Member, Space Flight Mechanics Technical Committee	American Astronautical Society	January 2007 to August 2013
Member, Publications Committee Technical Committee	American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics	January 2009 to December 2011

HONORS AND AWARDS

Award	Institution Conferring Award	Date of Award
University of Florida Term Professorship	College of Engineering University of Florida	August 2017
Erich Farber Faculty Fellow	Department of Mechanical & Aerospace Engineering University of Florida	November 2016
Pramod P. Kargonekar Junior Faculty Award	College of Engineering University of Florida	July 2012
Associate Fellow	American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics	January 2011
Teacher of the Year	Department of Mechanical & Aerospace Engineering University of Florida	April 2007
Faculty of the Year	Department of Mechanical Engineering Boston University	May 2006
Book of the Year	The Charles Stark Draper Laboratory, Inc.	April 2006

Outstanding Faculty of the Year	College of Engineering Boston University	May 2004
Faculty of the Year	Department of Mechanical Engineering Boston University	May 2002

REFERENCES

Available Upon Request