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Research interests:

- Reinforcement Learning for Safe Learning of dynamical systems
- Deep Learning for Health Monitoring and Prognostics of Systems (Model based techniques and Artificial Intelligence)

Education

- Ph.D. in Automatic Control and Signal Processing, 2015, Ecole Centrale de Lille, France.
- Masters in Automatic Control, 2012, Ecole Centrale de Lille, France.
- Bachelor of Technology (B. Tech) in Mechanical Engineering, National Institute of Technology (NIT) Jalandhar, India.

Academic Experience

- 2017-Present Associate Professor, Control and Reliability of Systems, University of Lorraine.
- 2017 Research Associate (Post-doctoral Researcher), Rolls Royce University Technical Centre, University of Sheffield, United-Kingdom.
- 2016-2017 Researcher and Teacher, Ecole Centrale de Lille, France.
- 2016 Post-Doctoral Researcher, National Institute of Applied Sciences (INSA) Toulouse, France.

Research Activities

Ph.D. Co-Supervision

On-going

Soha KANSO, *Contributions to Safe Reinforcement Learning for safety Critical Systems*, Finance: [CRAN](#).

Theo RUTCSHK, *Physics Informed Neural Networks based System Identification for Efficient Reinforcement Learning*, Finance: [CRAN](#).

Past

Martin HERVE DE BEAULIEU, *Identification and prognosis of state of health of non-linear systems through deep learning. Application to predictive maintenance of business aircraft* in collaboration with **Dassault Aviation**

Post-Doctoral Co-supervision

Dr. Julien Thuillier, *Health Aware Control Design of Liquid Propulsion Rocket Engine* in collaboration with **Centre National d'Etudes Spatiale CNES** ([The National Centre for Space Studies](#)).



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Supervision of Master-Research Thesis

Mohammad Chelouati, *Control law design based on state of health of system dedicated of reusable thrusters*. See the scientific paper [here](#).

Soha Kanso, *Remaining useful life estimation and uncertainty quantification of Liquid Propulsion Rocket Engine Combustion Chamber*. See the scientific paper [here](#).

George Claudiu ANDREI, "*Deep Reinforcement Learning for Dynamical Systems*". See the paper [here](#).

Industrial / International / National Collaborative projects:

2020-2023: Scientific co-leader with Prof. Hugues Garnier of a 3-year research collaboration between CRAN and Dassault Aviation starting in 2020 (240,000 Euro).

2020-2023: Scientific co-leader of three research contracts between CRAN and CNES Lanceurs (The National Centre of Space Studies France).
Projects titled: Health Aware Control System Design for Reusable Cryogenic Liquid Rocket Engines. (150,000 Euros)

2023-2025: Scientific Leader, Research contract between CRAN and CNES Lanceurs (The National Centre of Space Studies France).
Project titled: Health Aware Control System Design based on Machine learning for reusable Cryogenic Liquid Rocket Engines) - (100,000 Euros)

2023-2027: French National Research Agency (ANR) funded project , *Adaptive and resilient self-organization of heterogeneous robot fleets by collective emergence for a mission" (SOS)*,
Head the working package: "Scientific dissemination" and participation"
Participant: Ph.D. Thesis work on the theme of reinforcement learning for land and air robots, in collaboration with the University of Lille and Lynxdron.
(500,000 Euros total funding)

Invited Talks

- **June 2023:** Invitation by "NASA Ames Research Center, Center of Excellence in Prognostics" from June 5, 2023 to June 8, 2023 for collaborative research on "Safe Reinforcement Learning and Prognostics".
- **November 2022:** Invited Lecture at [NASA Ames Research Centers](#) , Prognostics Centre of Excellence (PCOE lecture series), on the topic '*Safe Reinforcement Learning and Prognostics*'
- **Décember 2020 :** Invited Talk - Fédération Charles Hermite - Journée Intelligence Artificielle et Automatique : quelles interactions ? - Title « *Deep learning and prognostics of dynamical systems under degradation* »
- **February 2021 :** Invited Special Session speaker - [International Conference on Electronics, Information, and Communication \(ICEIC\) 2021](#), Republic of Korea, "[Prognostics of Systems Under Degradation](#)".
- **February 2020 :** Invited talk -- [Korea Institute of Science and Technology Europe](#) -- "*Prognostics and Health Monitoring using Bayesian Estimation and Deep Learning*".

Organizational activities:

- Co-organizer of Invited session titled "*Intelligent data-driven fault diagnosis, prognostics and health aware control*" at IFAC World Congress 2023, (IFAC WC 2023), Yokohama, Japan.
- Co-Organiser of *Health Aware Control Design in Aerospace Domain Seminar, Polytech Nancy with CNES, France, 17th November 2022.*
- IPC Chair, [16th European Workshop on Advanced Control and Diagnosis \(ACD 2022\)](#), Nancy, France.



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- Session chair at Prognostics and Health Management Society Conference Europe, Utrecht, Netherlands, 2017
- Associate Editor for [28th Mediterranean Conference on Control and Automation \(MED'2020\)](#)
- Workshop and Tutorials Chair for [28th Mediterranean Conference on Control and Automation \(MED'2020\)](#)
- Publicity chair for 5th International Conference on Control and Fault-Tolerant Systems (SySTOL), 2021

Journal Publications

Martin Hervé de Beaulieu, **Mayank Shekhar Jha**, Hugues Garnier, Farid Cerbah, End-to-end Remaining Useful Life Prediction based on Physics Informed Data Augmentation, **phase #3 Revision, Reliability Engineering and System Safety, Elsevier.**

JHA, Mayank Shekhar and Bahare Kiumarsi. "Off-Policy Safe Reinforcement Learning for Nonlinear Discrete-Time Systems." **Phase #2 Revision, Neurocomputing, Available at SSRN 4559729.**

Kanso, S., **Jha, M. S.**, & Theilliol, D. (2024). Degradation Tolerant Optimal Control Design for Stochastic Linear Systems. *Int. J. Appl. Math. Comput. Sci*, 34(1), 5-14.

Thuillier, J., **Jha, M. S.**, Le Martelot, S., & Theilliol, D. (2024). Prognostics Aware Control Design for Extended Remaining Useful Life: Application to Liquid Propellant Reusable Rocket Engine. *International Journal of Prognostics and Health Management*, 15(1).

Kanso, S., **Jha, M. S.**, & Theilliol, D. (2024). Off-policy model-based end-to-end safe reinforcement learning. *International Journal of Robust and Nonlinear Control*, 34(4), 2806-2831.

Jha, M. S., Theilliol, D., & Weber, P. (2023). Model-free optimal tracking over finite horizon using adaptive dynamic programming. *Optimal Control Applications and Methods*, 44(6), 3114-3138.

Kumar, D., Kalra, S., & **Jha, M. S.** (2022). A concise review on degradation of gun barrels and its health monitoring techniques. *Engineering Failure Analysis*, 142, 106791.

Suh, S., Jang, J., Won, S., **Jha, M. S.**, & Lee, Y. O. (2020). Supervised Health Stage Prediction Using Convolutional Neural Networks for Bearing Wear. *Sensors*, 20(20), 5846.

Jha, M. S., Dauphin-Tanguy, G., & Ould-Bouamama, B. (2018). Robust fault detection with Interval Valued Uncertainties in Bond Graph Framework. *Control Engineering Practice, Elsevier*, 71, 61-78.

M. S Jha, Nizar Chatti, Philippe Declerck, Robust Fault Detection in Bond Graph Framework Using Interval Analysis and Fourier Motzkin Elimination Technique, **Mechanical Systems and Signal Processing, Elsevier**, Volume 93, 1 September 2017, Pages 494-514.

M. S Jha, G. Dauphin-Tanguy, B. Ould Bouamama, Particle Filter Based Hybrid Prognostics for Health Monitoring of Uncertain Systems in Bond Graph Framework, **Mechanical Systems and Signal Processing, Elsevier**, Volume 75, 15 June 2016, Pages 301-329, ISSN 0888-3270.

M. S Jha, M. Bressel, G. Dauphin-Tanguy, B. Ould Bouamama Particle filter based hybrid prognostics of proton exchange membrane fuel cell in bond graph framework. **Computers & Chemical Engineering, Elsevier**, 2016;95:216-30.

M. S Jha, M. Bressel, B. Ould-Bouamama, M. Hilaret and D. Hissel, Prognostics of PEM Fuel Cell Under Constant Load, **International Journal of Renewable Energy Research (IJRER)**. 2016;6:644-57.

Book Chapter

M. S Jha, G. Dauphin-Tanguy, B. Ould Bouamama, Particle Filter Based Integrated Health Monitoring in Bond Graph Framework, Chapitre dans Bond Graphs for Modelling, Control and Fault Diagnosis of Engineering Systems, Borutzky W, editor, **Springer International Publishing**; 2017. p. 233-70.



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International peer-reviewed conferences

- Jha, M. S.**, Kiumarsi, B., & Theilliol, D. (2024), Safe Reinforcement Learning based on Off-policy approach for Nonlinear Discrete-Time Systems, *to appear*, American Control Conference, Toronto, Canada.
- Mayank Shekhar Jha**, Hugues Garnier, Didier Theilliol, Redundancy-Aware Physics Informed Neural Networks (RPINNs) based Learning of Nonlinear Algebraic Systems with Non-Measurable States, 62nd IEEE Conference on Decision and Control, Dec. 13-15, 2023, Singapore.
- Soha Kanso, **Mayank Shekhar Jha**, Didier Theilliol, Degradation tolerant optimal control design for linear discrete systems, 15th International Conference on Diagnostics of Processes and Systems.
- Soha Kanso, **Mayank S. Jha**, Marco Galeotta, and Didier Theilliol. "Remaining Useful Life Prediction with Uncertainty Quantification of Liquid Propulsion Rocket Engine Combustion Chamber" *Accepté*, In 11th IFAC Symposium on Fault Detection, Supervision and Safety for Technical Processes - SAFEPROCESS 2022 Pafos, Cyprus.
- Martin Herve De Beaulieu, **Mayank Shekhar JHA**, Hugues Garnier, Farid Cerbah, "Unsupervised Remaining Useful Life Prediction through Long Range Health Index Estimation based on Encoders-Decoders", *Accepté*, In 11th IFAC Symposium on Fault Detection, Supervision and Safety for Technical Processes - SAFEPROCESS 2022 Pafos, Cyprus.
- Chelouati, Mohammed, **Mayank S. Jha**, Marco Galeotta, and Didier Theilliol. "Remaining Useful Life Prediction for Liquid Propulsion Rocket Engine Combustion Chamber." In 2021 5th International Conference on Control and Fault-Tolerant Systems (SysTol), pp. 225-230. IEEE, 2021
- Jha, M. S.**, Weber, P., Theilliol, D., Ponsart, J. C., & Maquin, D. (2019, July). A Reinforcement Learning Approach to Health Aware Control Strategy. In 2019 27th Mediterranean Conference on Control and Automation (MED) (pp. 171-176). IEEE.
- M. S. Jha**, D. Theilliol, G. Biswas, and P. Weber, "Approximate Q-learning approach for Health Aware Control Design," in 4th International Conference on Control and Fault-Tolerant Systems (SYSTOL), 18-20 September 2019, Casablanca, Morocco, 2019.
- Hai Canh VU, Phuc DO, **Mayank Shekhar JHA**, Didier THEILLIOL, Flavien PEYSSON, A comparative study of particle filters for prognostics implementation in industry à 4th european conference of the prognostics and health management 2018, Juillet 3-6, Utrecht, Pays-Bas, 2018.
- Liu, B., Do Van, P., lung, B., Xie, M., Peysson, F. & **Jha, M. S.** (2018, July). A study on the use of discrete event data for prognostics and health management: discovery of association rules. In Proceedings of the 4th European conference of the PHM society
- M. Bressel, **M. S. Jha**, B. Ould-Bouamama, M. Hilairet and D. Hissel, Bond Graph for modelling and diagnostics of Proton Exchange Membrane Fuel Cell, International Conference on Bond Graph Modeling and Simulation, Montreal, Canada, 2016.
- M. S. Jha**, M. Bressel, B. Ould-Bouamama, G. Dauphin-Tanguy, M. Hilairet and D. Hissel, Particle Filter Based Prognostics of PEM Fuel Cell in Bond Graph Framework, Conférence Internationale des Energies Renouvelables (CIER-2015), Sousse - Tunisie, Décembre 21-23, 2015.
- M.S. Jha**, G. Dauphin-Tanguy, B. Ould Bouamama, New Concept of Junction Activity in a Bond Graph Model: Application for Fault Identification, International Conference on Bond Graph Modeling and Simulation., Monterey, California, USA, 2014.
- M. S. Jha**, G. Dauphin-Tanguy, B. Ould Bouamama, Integrated Diagnosis and Prognosis of Uncertain Systems: A Bond Graph Approach in: Second European Conference of the PHM Society 2014 European Conference of the PHM Society 2014 Proceedings, Nantes, France, 2014, pp. 391-400.

- M. S. Jha**, G. Dauphin-Tanguy, B. Ould Bouamama, Robust FDI Based On LFT BG And Relative Activity At Junction, European Control Conference (ECC), 2014, pp. 938-943.
- Jha, M.S.**, Dauphin-Tanguy, G, Ould Bouamama, B., Interval Approach for Robust Fault Diagnosis, International Conference on Integrated Modeling and Analysis in Applied Control and Automation, 2012, Volume 1, 2012, Pages 239-246.
- A. Vaz, **M.S. JHA**, R. Seth, A. Saxena, Design and development of an instrument for measurement of biting force in human beings, ASME 2012 11th Biennial Conference on Engineering Systems Design and Analysis, ESDA 2012 , Volume 4, 2012, Pages 227-232.
- A. Vaz, **M.S. JHA**, K. Mahajan, A. Parashar, Experimental study of switching behaviour in the transmission of tension to the joints of the finger, ASME 2012 11th Biennial Conference on Engineering Systems Design and Analysis, ASME ESDA 2012 , Volume 3, 2012, Pages 321-327.



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