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#### **EDUCATION**

B.S.E. Electrical Engineering, University of Michigan, 1952M.S.E. Electrical Engineering, University of Michigan, 1953

Ph.D. Instrumentation Engineering, University of Michigan, 1957

## PROFESSIONAL HISTORY

Appointments at the University of Michigan

Instructor, 1954

Assistant Professor, 1957

Associate Professor, 1959

Professor, 1963

Professor Emeritus, 1994

## **Visiting Positions**

The United States Air Force Academy, 1965

The Johns Hopkins University, 1974-1976, 1991-1992

University of Minnesota, 1985-1986

National University of Singapore, six times 1997-2005

## Consulting Activities

A founder and past member of the Board of Directors of Applied Dynamics, Inc

Consultant for Applied Dynamics International

Consultant for General Motors Research Laboratories

## HONORS AND AWARDS

## **Professional Recognition**

O. H. Schuck Award for Best Paper at the 1977 Joint Automatic Control Conference

Fellow, Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineers, 1979: "For contributions to multivariable and optimal control systems"

IEEE Control Systems Society, Best Paper Award for 1979

Plenary Speaker, 1992 American Control Conference

Member, National Academy of Engineering (United States), 1994: "For contributions to the theory and practice of multivariable, optimal, non-linear, and computer control systems, and to control engineering education"

IEEE Technical Field Award, Control Systems, 1994:

"For pioneering and innovative contributions to linear state space theory and its applications, especially realization and decoupling, as well as to control algorithms"

Fellow, American Association for the Advancement of Science, 1995:
"For contributions to theory and practice of multivariable, optimal, and computer control systems and to control engineering education"

Richard E. Bellman Control Heritage Award (American Automatic Control Council), 1996:

"In recognition of a distinguished career in automatic control, with pioneering research contributions to a broad range of subjects including linear multivariable systems theory, computation of optimal controls, nonlinear systems theory, and motion planning in the presence of obstacles"

## University Awards

Research Excellence Award, College of Engineering, University of Michigan, 1986

Member, The Johns Hopkins University Society of Scholars, 1990 - present

Distinguished Faculty Achievement Award, University of Michigan, 1991

## PROFESSIONAL CONTRIBUTIONS

## **Engineering Development**

Co-founder and long-time consultant for Applied Dynamics Inc. and its successors Key member of design group responsible for the conception and development of analoghybrid computer systems

Inventor of high performance computer devices

## University Activities

Contributor to the control engineering programs at the University of Michigan Chair or Co-Chair, 23 Ph.D. dissertations Sponsored research activities

# Research Topics

Error analysis of analog-hybrid computer components

Evaluation of methods for simulating dynamic systems

Linear systems theory, including basic contributions to: realization theory, state space decomposition, feedback decoupling of multivariable control systems

Computational methods in optimal control with emphasis on convexity methods for treating problems with discontinuous and impulsive controls

Analysis and synthesis techniques for nonlinear dynamic systems

Theory and application of optimal periodic control

Optimal aircraft cruise

Nonlinear feedback control with applications to manipulator control

Stability of nonlinear systems with model predictive control feedback

Optimal path planning for robots in the presence of obstacles

Algorithms for computing the distance between objects in three space

Robotic collision detection and path finding algorithms

Optimization of rocket trajectories

Feedback control of systems with pointwise-in-time state and control constraints

## **Patents**

Electronic computer devices (7 patents)

Elevator speed control system (1)

Anti-sway control of a crane under operator command (1)

1. 3,371,223	2-27-68	Electronic switching apparatus
2. 3,381,231*	4-30-68	Track-transfer sample-hold circuits
3. 3,503,049	3-24-70	Fast-reset integrator circuit
4. 3,753,234*	8-14-73	Multicomputer system with simultaneous data
		interchange between computers
5. 3,480,769*	11-25-69	Computer control arrangement
6. 3,488,478	1-06-70	Comparator buffer
7. 3,587,055	6-22-71	Plural operator-station time-shared analog
		computer apparatus
8. 3,783,974*	1-08-74	Predictive drive controls for elevators
9. 6,588,610*	7-08-03	Anti-sway control of crane under operator's
		command

<sup>\*</sup> indicates joint patent with other person(s)

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