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Professor of Applied OR and System Reliability

Diplôme d'Ingénieur

Ph.D in System Reliability

« *mention très honorable avec félicitations du jury* »

Summary of the Research Activity

My research interests are focused on the performance and dependability analysis of highly available and reliable systems such as information and communication systems, electrical power systems, transportation systems and a broad-spectrum of technological systems, as well as the analysis of the corresponding optimal maintenance strategies. These interests include the development of detailed probability models (Non-homogeneous Markov, semi-Markov, etc..) adapted to specific reliability engineering problems and the creation of new accurate probabilistic indicators allowing a more efficient and precise evaluation of the system dependability. My experience in the Research and Development Division of Electricité de France, during the preparation of my PhD, made me aware about the technical issues that arise when complex mathematical models are applied to real life systems, but the greatest fulfillment is when your methodology finally contributes to the design a new class of electrical substations.

I have published over 100 papers in international journals, book chapters and international conferences proceedings and since my nomination as a Director of the Reliability Engineering Lab, I have established collaborations with the Center for Reliability and Risk Management of the Shamoon College of Engineering (Israel) and the Computational Methodologies & Operations Research (CMOR) Laboratory of the University of Macedonia.

Diplomas and Awards

- 2006** ***Chevalier de l'Ordre des Palmes Académiques***, (Nomination «Knight of the order of the Academic Palms » from the French Prime Minister Dominique de Villepin)
- 1997** **Ph. D in System Reliability with Honors and congratulations of the jury**, in the Dept. of Computer Science Engineering of the University of Technology of Compiègne (UTC).
- 1994** **Post Graduate Degree (Diplôme d'Etudes Approfondies)** in Systems' Control (Diagnosis, System Reliability), in the Dept. of Computer Science Engineering of the University of Technology of Compiègne (UTC).
- 1993** **Engineering Diploma in Computer Science** (Diplôme d'Ingénieur de l'Université de Technologie de Compiègne) with specialization in Software Engineering, in the Dept. of Computer Science Engineering of the University of Technology of Compiègne (UTC).

Academic and Professional Activity

<i>Dec. 2015 - present</i>	Professor <i>Dept. of Financial and Management Engineering</i>	University of the Aegean
<i>Oct 2013 – present</i>	Tutor in the MSc Quality and Tech Management Coordinator from Oct 2016 of a thematic unit dedicated to reliability and maintenance <i>School of Science</i>	Hellenic Open University
<i>July 2010 – Dec. 2015</i>	Associate Professor <i>Dept. of Financial and Management Engineering</i>	University of the Aegean
<i>June 2009 – July 2010</i>	Assistant Professor (Tenure position) <i>Dept. of Financial and Management Engineering</i>	University of the Aegean
<i>Sept. 2005 – June 2009</i>	Assistant Professor <i>Dept. of Financial and Management Engineering</i>	University of the Aegean
<i>Jan. 2003 – Sept. 2005</i>	Lecturer <i>Dept. of Information and Communication Systems Engineering</i>	University of the Aegean
<i>Oct 2001 – Aug. 2010</i>	Tutor in Computer Science <i>School of Science</i>	Hellenic Open University
<i>Oct. 2000 – Jan. 2003</i>	Research and Teaching Assistant <i>Dept. of Information and Communication Systems Engineering</i>	University of the Aegean
<i>Oct. 2000 – Oct. 2004</i>	Research and Teaching Assistant <i>Dept. of Shipping Trading and Transportation</i>	University of the Aegean
<i>Feb. 1998 – Oct. 2000</i>	Research and Teaching Assistant <i>Dept. of Mathematics</i>	University of the Aegean
<i>Feb. 1994 – Dec. 1997</i>	Research Engineer – PhD student <i>Research and Development Division (Direction Recherche et Développement)</i>	EDF (Electricité de France)
<i>Mar.1993 – Sept. 1993</i>	Engineer	IBM France
<i>Sept. 1991 - Feb. 1992</i>	Engineer	FRAMASOFT-CSI (Groupe FRAMATOME)

Scholarships

- *Sept. 1993 – June 1994* **Bourse de DEA.**
- *Sept. 1994 – Dec. 1997* **CIFRE (Convention Industrielle de Formation par la Recherche en Entreprise). Scholarship from the French Government and EDF.**

Research Activity

<i>Oct. 2009</i>	University of the Aegean <i>Dept. of Financial and Management Engineering</i> Reliability Engineering Lab. <i>Head of the new laboratory «Reliability Engineering», and Director in 2017.</i> <i>Head of the local research team of the “ASPASIA” Project: “Analysis of Supply and Production Systems: an Integrated Approach” (THALES program), 2012-2016</i>
<i>Feb. 2007-2008</i>	University of the Aegean <i>Dept. of Financial and Management Engineering</i> Research Group PHARE <i>(Performability, High Availability and Reliability Engineering Research Group)</i> <i>Scientific Supervisor for the Post Doctoral Dissertation of Dr I. Lagoudis «Effective management of port container terminals using stochastic models »</i>
<i>Jan. 2006-2008</i>	University of the Aegean <i>Dept. of Financial and Management Engineering</i> Research Group PHARE <i>(Performability, High Availability and Reliability Engineering Research Group)</i> <i>Principal Investigator for the Transnational Research Project PLATON (France - Greece)</i> <i>«Enhancement of the FSA procedure for the improvement of the Maritime Safety and Environmental Protection»</i>
<i>Jan. 2002-2004</i>	University of the Aegean <i>Dept. of Inform. & Com. Systems Engineering</i> Research Group InCoSys (Intelligent Cooperative Systems) <i>Principal Researcher for the Transnational Research Project PLATON (France – Greece - Morocco) «Extraction and Processing of user data for the optimal web site reconfiguration »</i>

Supervision of Ph.D and Post Doc Dissertations

- *Supervisor of the PostDoctoral Dissertation of Dr. I. Lagoudis «Effective management of port container terminals using stochastic models», Dept. of Financial and Management Engineering (2007 - 2008).*
 - **In 2010, MIT Center for Transportation and Logistics, Now Assistant Professor**
- *Supervisor of the Doctoral Dissertation of Mr. V. Koutras «Optimization of Computer systems' Performance and Operational Cost through Software Rejuvenation», Dept. of Financial and Management Engineering (2005 - 2010).*
 - **Currently Assistant Professor at FME Dept. and senior member of the REL lab.**
- *Co-Supervisor of the Doctoral Dissertation of Mr. E. Mennis «Probabilistic Modeling of Formal Safety Assessment», Dept. of Shipping Trading and Transportation (2006 - 2009).*
 - **Currently Teaching Assistant**
- *Member of the supervision committee of the Doctoral Dissertation of Mr. K. Karamatsoukis «Optimal Maintenance of a production system with idle periods», Dept. of Financial and Management Engineering (2006 - 2010).*
 - **Currently Assistant Professor**
- *Member of the supervision committee of the Doctoral Dissertation of Mr P. Tsopelas «Reliability of Computer Networks», Dept. of Information and Communication Systems Engineering (1999-2005).*
 - **Currently Director of IT dept. in ROTA S.A.**

Editorial Activity

- ✓ Editor with Dieter Fiems and Marco Paolieri in **Computer Performance Engineering, Lecture Notes in Computer Science, LNCS 9951, SPRINGER, 2016.**
- ✓ Member of the Technical Program Committee **Third International Symposium on Stochastic Models in Reliability Engineering, Life Sciences and Operations Management SMRLO'19.**
- ✓ Member of the Technical Program Committee **Fifth International Workshop on Software Aging and Rejuvenation WOSAR 2013**
- ✓ Member of the Technical Program Committee **Fourth International Workshop on Software Aging and Rejuvenation WOSAR 2012**
- ✓ Member of the Technical Program Committee **Third International Workshop on Software Aging and Rejuvenation WOSAR 2011**
- ✓ Member of the Technical Program Committee **Second International Workshop on Software Aging and Rejuvenation WOSAR 2010.**
- ✓ Member of the Technical Program Committee **European Safety and Reliability Conference ESREL 2011.**
- ✓ Member of the Technical Program Committee **European Safety and Reliability Conference ESREL 2010.**
- ✓ Member of the Technical Program Committee **European Safety and Reliability Conference ESREL 2007.**
- ✓ Member of the Technical Program Committee **European Safety and Reliability Conference ESREL 2005.**

- ✓ Reviewer for the Journal **Process Safety and Environmental Protection, Official journal of the European Federation of Chemical Engineering: Part B**
- ✓ Reviewer for the Journal **International Journal of Computer Mathematics**
- ✓ Reviewer for the Journal **Annals of Operations Research.**
- ✓ Reviewer for the Journal **Methodology and Computing in Applied Probability**
- ✓ Reviewer for the Journal **Reliability Engineering and System Safety.**
- ✓ Reviewer for the Journal **IEEE Transactions on Reliability.**
- ✓ Reviewer for the Journal **Applied Mathematical Modelling.**
- ✓ Reviewer for the **Journal of Convergence Information Technology.**
- ✓ Reviewer for the Journal **Communication in Statistics – Theory and Methods. Special issue on Semi-Markov Processes and Their Applications.**
- ✓ Reviewer for the Journal **International Journal of Future Generation Computer Systems.**
- ✓ Reviewer for the Journal **European Journal of Operational Research.**
- ✓ Reviewer for the Journal **International Journal of Future Generation Computer Systems. Special issue on Parallel and Distributed Algorithms and Systems.**
- ✓ Reviewer for the conference proceedings of the **Annual Reliability and Maintainability Symposium (RAMS).**

Institutional Responsibilities

Currently, my positions held at the Department of Financial and Management Engineering - University of the Aegean, are the following:

- Head of Department
- Director of the Reliability Engineering Lab,
- Coordinator of the Department Internal Evaluation Committee
- Member of the coordinating committee for the Postgraduate Program

Formerly, I was also Deputy-Head of Dept, Member of the Erasmus Committee, member of the IT committee, Member of the Library committee and deputy member of the University Senate.

Presently, I also hold the position of Coordinator (from 2016) of the Thematic Unit «Special Topics on Quality» for the MSc «Quality and Technology Management» at the Hellenic Open University, head of a team of 11 professors –tutors and more than 200 students

Relevant Publication List

International Journals

1. A. Platis, N. Limnios, M. Le Du, Performability of Electric Power Systems Modeled by Non-Homogenous Markov Chains, *IEEE Transactions on Reliability* (Vol. 45, No 4, 1996, pp 605-610).
2. A. Platis, N. Limnios, M. Le Du, Dependability Analysis of Systems Modeled by Non-Homogenous Markov Chains, *Reliability Engineering and System Safety* (Vol. 61, 1998, pp 235-249).
3. A. Platis, N. Limnios, M. Le Du, Hitting Time in a Finite Non-Homogenous Markov Chain with Applications, *Applied Stochastic Models and Data Analysis* (Vol. 14, 1998, pp 241-253).
4. A. Platis, G. Gravvanis, Dependability evaluation using explicit approximate inverse preconditioning, *International Journal of Computational and Numerical Analysis and Applications* 1, 71-86 (2002).
5. A. Platis, An extension of the Performability measure and application in system reliability, *International Journal of Computational and Numerical Analysis and Applications* 1, 87-101 (2002).
6. G. Gravvanis, A. Platis, On the computation of asymptotic availability of cyclic non-homogeneous Markov chains systems by approximate inverses, *I. J. Computational and Numerical Analysis and Applications*, 3, 27-39 (2003).
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15. E. Mennis, A. Platis, N. Nikitakos, Applying Performability models in maritime risk assessment, *International Journal of Material and Structural Reliability*, Vol. 6, No.1, pp. 97-107, March 2008.
16. E. Mennis, A. Platis, G. Lagoudis, N. Nikitakos, "Applying reliability models to improve port container terminal efficiency", *Maritime Economics and Logistics*, 10, pp.243-257, 2008,
17. E. Mennis, N. Nikitakos, A. Platis, J.-G. Fontaine, Enhancing safety in ship's critical systems, *International Journal of Reliability, Quality and Safety Engineering*, vol.16, pp.59-72, Feb. 2009.
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34. V. Kostas, A.N. Platis and N.S. Sapidis, (2016). Performability Assessment of Standalone Photovoltaic Residential Systems, *International Journal of Performability Engineering* 12(5), Pages 485–500.
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