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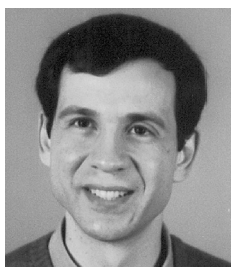
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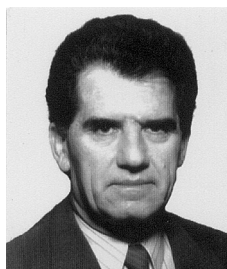
the Portuguese Institute for Systems and Robotics (ISR – Coimbra), where he is now a researcher. Dr. Araújo was the Information Technologies Chair on the »The 11th International Conference on Advanced Robotics (ICAR-2003)«. His research interests include learning and intelligent systems, sensor-based mobile robot navigation, fuzzy systems, and

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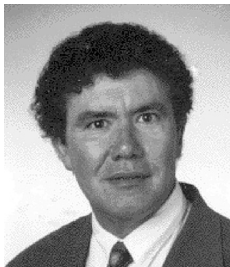


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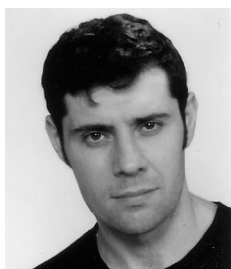
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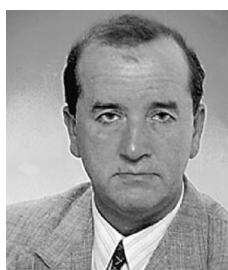
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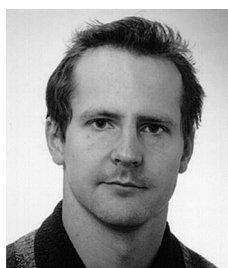
from the Institute of Electrical Engineers of Japan (IEEJ) in 2003 and Yasujiro Niwa Outstanding Paper Award in 2004. He is a Member of the IEEE Industrial Electronics Society, IEEJ, Society of Instrumentation and Control Engineers, the Japan Society for Precision Engineering, and the Robotics Society of Japan.



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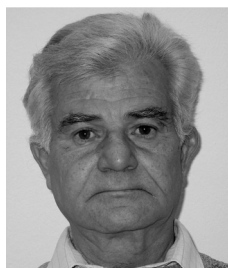


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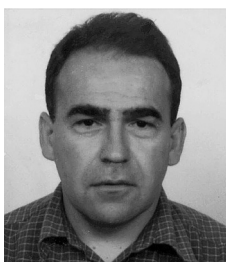
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