Offer #2024-07497

Post-Doctoral Research Visit F/M A Reliability Analysis of Future Decentralized Communications Systems

Contract type: Fixed-term contract

Level of qualifications required: PhD or equivalent

Fonction: Post-Doctoral Research Visit

About the research centre or Inria department

The Inria centre at Université Côte d’Azur includes 42 research teams and 9 support services. The centre's staff (about 500 people) is made up of scientists of different nationalities, engineers, technicians and administrative staff. The teams are mainly located on the university campuses of Sophia Antipolis and Nice as well as Montpellier, in close collaboration with research and higher education laboratories and establishments (Université Côte d’Azur, CNRS, INRAE, INSERM ...), but also with the regiona economic players.

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Context

The Postdoctoral appointment is joint with two INRIA research centers, Centre Inria d'Université Côte d'Azur (Samir M. Perlaza) and Centre Inria de Lyon (Jean-Marie Gorce). The position can be developed in either of these centers within a national collaboration network that includes INSA de Rennes (Philippe Mary).

This position is supported by the French National Agency for Research (ANR) via the project n°ANR-22-PEFT-0010 of the France 2030 program.

Assignment

The appointment is in the broad intersection of information theory, communication theory, and game theory. As part of the national programme France 2030, funded by the French Government, the objective of this position is to study the fundamental limits on the reliability and throughput of decentralized communications systems. The underlying assumption is that independent receivers might broadcast a signal that can be observed by all receivers and thus, used to enhance reliability, throughput, or a convex combination of both. More importantly, transmitters are assumed to use a final constellation and a limited number of channel uses (finite block-length regime).

The research activity is taken over within a strong national cooperation formed around the larger project, namely the PEPR -- Future Networks. The postdoc will participate in national workshops and seminars which are regularly organized within this larger project.

Main activities

The expected results are in the form of fundamental limits, which are essentially information theoretic results (mathematical theorems) on:

- Characterizations of the achievable and unachievable tuples of information rates and probability of error decoding that can be achieved in a multiple access channel thanks to a broadcast signal (a few bits) observed by all transmitters.
- Design of (short-length) signalling systems in decentralized networks that achieve near optimal trade-offs between information rates and decoding error probability.
- Design of (short-length) codes, compatible with signaling systems, that approach near optimal trade-offs between information rates and decoding error probability with reasonable decoding complexity.

Benefits package

- Subsidized meals
Partial reimbursement of public transport costs
Leave: 7 weeks of annual leave + 10 extra days off due to RTT (statutory reduction in working hours) + possibility of exceptional leave (sick children, moving home, etc.)
Possibility of teleworking and flexible organization of working hours
Professional equipment available (videoconferencing, loan of computer equipment, etc.)
Social, cultural and sports events and activities
Access to vocational training
Contribution to mutual insurance (subject to conditions)

Remuneration
Duration: 18 months
Gross Salary: 2788 € per month

General Information

- **Theme/Domain**: Networks and Telecommunications
- **Town/city**: Sophia Antipolis
- **Inria Center**: Centre Inria d'Université Côte d'Azur
- **Starting date**: 2024-10-01
- **Duration of contract**: 1 year, 6 months
- **Deadline to apply**: 2024-07-12

Contacts

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- **Recruiter**: Medina Perlaza Samir / samir.perlaza@inria.fr

About Inria

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Instruction to apply

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