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Education

Worcester Polytechnic Institute

MASTER'S IN ROBOTICS ENGINEERING, CURRENT GPA: 4.0/4.0

Coursework: Foundations of Robotics, Robot Control, Robot Dynamics, Swarm Intelligence, Deep Learning, Reinforcement Learning.

Manipal Institute of Technology, Manipal

BACHELOR'S IN COMPUTER SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING (MINOR IN INTELLIGENT SYSTEMS)

Coursework: AI, ML, NLP, CV, Optimization Techniques, Object Oriented Programming, Parallel Computing and Programming.

Skills

Programming & Tools C, C++, Python, Java, MATLAB, Pytorch, Tensorflow, ROS/ROS2, OpenCV, CUDA Online Certifications DL Specialization, Math for ML, Parallel Programming, Bayesian Stats, Aerial Robotics

Projects

Multi Agent Reinforcement Learning for Collective Transport

WORCESTER POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE (WPI) [NEST LAB]

- Working with various value-based and policy-based RL methods to perform collective transport under the supervision of Prof. Carlo Pinciroli and PhD candidate Joshua Bloom.
- Evaluating the learned behaviours and analyzing the resiliency, scalability and adaptability of models in different environments.

Controlled Copy-Paste Augmentations for Segmentation Networks

MANIPAL INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY [PROJECT MANAS]

- Study controlled copy-paste augmentation policies and benchmark the effects on the performance of segmentation networks using a custom augmentation library. [code]
- Benchmarking on various datasets using varying augmentation policies have shown a 3-10% boost in performance of object detection and segmentation networks.

Pointcloud Copy-Paste Augmentations, Fisheye Camera & SLAM Simulations

INDIAN INSTITUTE OF SCIENCE (IISC)

· Worked on implementing fisheye cameras for simulations as well as porting over SLAM algorithms for baseline testing along with running pointcloud semantic segmentation with copy-paste augmentations. [code]

Semantic Segmentation of Wound Images: A Systematic Comparison of **Convolutional Neural Networks and AHRF Approaches**

WORCESTER POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE (WPI)

- Co-authored the paper published in IEEE Access, along with Ameya Wagh, Shubham Jain and Prof. Emmanuel Agu, where we evaluated the performances of AHRF vs CNNs on a wound segmentation dataset collected at UMass Medical Center.
- · Compared various pre- and post- processing methods such as CLAHE and CRFs along with different architectures including dilated convolutions and spatial pyramid pooling while benchmarking on different subsets of the dataset.

Perception System Improvement for Autonomous Buses

NANYANG TECHNOLOGICAL UNIVERSITY (NTU)

• Worked on the perception system, mainly detection algorithms for the autonomous bus which is to be deployed on the streets of Singapore while also implementing a V-SLAM pipeline for an indoor ground vehicle under the supervision of Dr. Anshuman Tripathi.

Autonomous Ground Vehicle for IGVC 2018/2019

MANIPAL INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY [PROJECT MANAS]

- Part of the 30 member team that placed 1st at IGVC 2019, winning the grand prize among 25+ teams from all over the world, and placed 9th at IGVC 2018. [IGVC-2019-results] [IGVC-2019-report] [IGVC-2018-results] [IGVC-2018-report]
- Headed the perception team responsible for scene understanding and mapping the environment around the vehicle for localization where different Computer Vision and Deep Learning approaches to achieve the most desirable results were used.

Self-Driving Car for the Mahindra Rise Prize Challenge

MANIPAL INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY [PROJECT MANAS]

- Joint winners of the competition, beating 153 teams.
- Successfully implemented Lane Detection, Speed Bump Detection, Sensor Fusion amongst other things for Indian roads.
- Continuously involved in other tasks of Traffic Light and Sign Detection as well as SLAM using a sensor array consisting of 2D/3D Lidars, Radars and Mono/Stereo cameras.

Karnataka, India

Aug. 2021 - May 2023

July 2016 - Aug. 2020

Worcester, MA

Work In Progress

July 2021 - Present

Work In Progress

Feb. 2018 - Present

Jun. 2019 - Aug. 2020

Complete

Feb. 2020 - July 2020

Jan. 2018 - Jun. 2019

Completed Feb. 2017 - May. 2019

Complete

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