Haoru Xue

Developing High-Performance Autonomous Race Cars AV Systems, Perceptions, and Controls Engineer

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Education

Carnegie Mellon University | M.S. Robotics (4.16/4.0)

University of California San Diego | B.S. Electrical Engineering (3.94/4.0)

Aug 2022 - May 2024

Aug 2018 - Dec 2021

Experience Highlights

Lead Software Developer | Al Racing Tech

May 2021 - Present

- Won 2nd and 3rd place in Indy Autonomous Challenge as principal technical lead with 30 members.
- Architected AV software system for autonomous IndyCar in high-speed, multi-vehicle competitions.
- Developed multi-modal perception pipeline with Autoware. Universe and ROS2: 2D-3D detection, sensor fusion, and target tracking to address high-speed AV perception requirements.
- Developed motion controller and trajectory optimization software above 160 mph (260 km/h).
- Managed simulation scenarios for ground-truth perception data collection and vehicle dynamics testing.
- Developed, validated, and deployed on-board autonomous software in the field.

Software Engineer | The Autoware Foundation

Dec 2021 - Aug 2022

- Maintained world's largest open-source autonomous driving projects Autoware. Universe & Autoware. Auto.
- Integrated full-scale AV system on scaled platforms (F1TENTH, EV Kart) for competition, university education and research.
- Facilitated autonomous racing organizations among 10+ universities in US and Europe.

Engineering Psychiatry Research Intern | UCSD ECE & Psychiatry Dept.

Jan 2020 - Jul 2021

- Designed eye-tracking software with VR for diagnosis of neurological conditions (PTSD and Alzheimer's).
- Developed and maintained pupillometry data analysis solutions in C# and SQLite.
- Collaborated with researchers and doctors at the Defense and Veterans Brain Injury Center in fieldwork for feedback on applying the technology on patients.

Team Principal | Triton Al Autonomous Racing

Dec 2019 - Jul 2022

- Lead the technical development of UC San Diego's participation in the Indy Autonomous Challenge (IAC) through collaboration with AI Racing Tech.
- Developed multi-sensory autonomous robotic racers (Innovative Triton-AI-Racer platform).
- Developed end-to-end deep learning autonomous stack for scaled robotic vehicles.

Skills

Programming: C++, Python, MATLAB, C#

Tooling: ROS2, Git, Linux, Unity, Docker, SQLite, Continuous-Integration

Autonomous Vehicle: architecture, perception, motion controller, simulation, visualization, telemetry **Embedded Systems**: ARM Mbed, NVIDIA Jetson, Raptor ECU, Arduino, Serial and CAN communications **Deep Learning**: 2D & 3D detection, segmentation, domain adaptation, GAN

Awards

2nd Place: Indy Autonomous Challenge at Texas Motor Speedway (Technical Lead)

Nov 2022

3rd Place: Indy Autonomous Challenge at CES 2023 Las Vegas Motor Speedway (Technical Lead)

Jan 2023

Projects

art.pilot: Autonomous Race Car Software for High-Speed IndyCar Platform (ROS2 C++, Closed-Source)

I was the responsible software architect for AI Racing Tech's autonomous software in the Indy Autonomous Challenge, including AV perception, behavior planning, motion planning, controls, vehicle interfaces, and telemetry modules. I also developed the perception pipeline with industry-grade ROS2 packages from Autoware, and supported the software engineering for control optimization researches from participating universities.

Autoware. Auto on F1TENTH: Open-Source Full-Scale AV Platform on Scaled Vehicle (ROS2 C++)

I integrated full-size AV software on scaled F1TENTH vehicles for robotic competitions, educations, and researches. I also maintained general AV packages.

Triton-Al-Racer Autonomous Robotic Car Platform: End-to-End Deep Learning on Scaled Vehicle (Python)

End-to-end deep learning. Uses CV, LiDAR, depth-perception camera, and odometry. Designed to work with Jetson computers on scaled robotic vehicles. Built-in image pipeline and various neural-net backends.

VESC ROS2 Driver (C++)

VESC: Widely-used BLDC motor controller for scale robotic cars and drones.

I collaborated with the Autoware Foundation and F1TENTH in providing ROS2 support for VESC.