RUTAV SHAH

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EDUCATION

The University of Texas at Austin

Ph.D. student in Computer Science

Advisors: Professor Roberto Martín Martín and Professor Yuke Zhu

Research Focus: Foundation Models, Robotics

Indian Institute of Technology, Kharagpur

Undergraduate in Computer Science, GPA: 9.64/10 **Advisors**: Dr. Vikash Kumar and Professor Abir Das

Research Focus: Representation Learning, Domain Adaptation, Robotics

 $\begin{array}{c} \hbox{July 2018 - April 2022} \\ Kharagpur, \, India \end{array}$

August 2022 - Now

Austin, USA

PUBLICATIONS & MANUSCRIPTS

BUMBLE: Unifying Reasoning and Acting with VLMs for Building-Wide Mobile Manipulation

Rutav Shah, Albert Yu, Yifeng Zhu, Yuke Zhu † , Roberto Martín Martín † arXiv preprint arXiv:2410.06237, October 2024

LOTUS: Continual Imitation Learning for Robot Manipulation Through Unsupervised Skill Discovery

Weikang Wan, Yifeng Zhu*, **Rutav Shah***, Yuke Zhu International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA), 2024

Open X-Embodiment: Robotic Learning Datasets and RT-X Models

Open X-Embodiment Collaboration

Best Conference Paper Award

International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA), 2024

MUTEX: Learning Unified Policies from Multimodal Task Specifications

Rutav Shah, Roberto Martín-Martín[†], Yuke Zhu[†]

Conference on Robot Learning (CoRL), 2023

RoboHive: A Unified Framework for Robot Learning

Vikash Kumar, **Rutav Shah***, Gaoyue Zhou*, Vincent Moens, Vittorio Caggiano, Jay Vakil, Abhishek Gupta, Aravind Rajeswaran

Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS) Track on Datasets and Benchmarks, 2023

Inflatable Fingertips with Stretchable Pressure Sensors for Adaptive Grasping and Manipulation

Hongyang Shi, ${\bf Rutav}$ Shah, Zhengjie Li, Heeyong Huh, Yuke Zhu, Nanshu Lu

IROS Workshop on IPPC for Physically and Contextually-Aware Robot Autonomy, 2023

RRL: Resnet as Representation for Reinforcement Learning

Rutav Shah*, Vikash Kumar*

International Conference on Machine Learning (ICML), 2021

Contrast and Mix: Temporal Contrastive Video Domain Adaptation with Background Mixing

Aadarsh Sahoo, Rutav Shah, Rameswar Panda, Kate Saenko, Abir Das

Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS), 2021

EXPERIENCE

KLA-Tencor Corporation

Algorithm Research & Development Intern Developed GPU-accelerated implementation of Random Decision Forests Feb. 2022 - July 2022

Chennai, India

^{*} Equal contribution. † Equal advising

Developer for JEE Advanced'2021

Supervisor: Professor Mainack Mondal and Professor Debajit Chakraborty

Implemented algorithm for seat allocation and designed website for JEE Advanced'2021

Sept. 2021 - Dec. 2021 IIT Kharagpur, India

Robotics Institute Summer Scholar (RISS) program

June 2021 - Aug. 2021

Advisors: Dr. Vikash Kumar and Professor Abhinav Gupta

Carnegie Mellon University, USA

Research in learning generalizable policy using representation learning.

Autonomous Ground Vehicle (AGV) Lab

April 2019 - Dec. 2020

Advisor: Professor Debajit Chakraborty

IIT Kharagpur, India

Developed planning algorithms and tested them on Mahindra E2O for autonomous navigation.

TEACHING & OUTREACH

Organizer of Robot Learning Reading Group

April. 2022 - April 2024

Website: ut-robotlearning.github.io

Jan. 2024 - April 2024

RBT350: Gateway to Robotics, Undergraduate Course

UT Austin, USA

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Graduate Teaching Assistant

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Aug. 2023 - Dec. 2023

RBT350: Gateway to Robotics, Undergraduate Course

UT Austin, USA

Teaching Assistant

April 2022

Math Camp for students of Grade 9-12, Epsilon Camp, Raising a Mathematician

Online

RoboLaunch

Aug. 2021 - Dec. 2021

Outreach program to increase high-school engagement in robotics.

Carnegie Mellon University, USA

ACHIEVEMENTS

- 1st Position, Bosch Mid-Prep, Inter-IIT TechMeet, Indian Institute of Technology, India, 2022
- Runner Up Position, Intelligent Ground Vehicle Competition (IGVC), Oakland University, USA, 2019
- 2nd Position, Mathematical Olympiad, Indian Institute of Technology, Kharagpur, 2019
- JEE Advanced, All India Rank 257 (Top 0.1%), Indian Institute of Technology (IITs), 2018
- KVPY, All India Rank 278 (Top 1%), Department of Science and Technology, Government of India, 2017
- Merit in Indian National Mathematical Olympiad, Homi Bhabha Centre for Science Education, 2016