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EDUCATION

University of Southern California

Master of Computer Science in Intelligence Robotics

Los Angeles, CA

August 2017 - May 2019

Oregon State University

Bachelor of Computer Science in Computer Systems

Corvallis, OR

September 2014 - June 2017

WORK & RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Microsoft

Software Engineer II

Redmond, WA

May 2022 - Present

- o Build an end-to-end product that allows 3D artists to efficiently generate large quantities of synthetic image data, and machine learning engineers to train and deploy computer vision models for industrial use cases.
- o Skills : Python, Azure, Qt, C++

Xpeng Motors/Xsense.ai

Software Engineer II

San Diego, CA

Oct 2021 - May 2022

- o Lead the design and development of bicycle/tricycle/motorcycle motion prediction algorithms that handle highly dynamic and safety-critical city scenarios.
- o Explore deep learning and data-driven algorithms for motion prediction towards L4 autonomy.
- o Skills : C++, Python, Pytorch, Bash Script, Docker

Xpeng Motors/Xsense.ai

Software Engineer

San Diego, CA

Dec 2019 - Oct 2021

- o Designed and developed a stationary object detection algorithm that achieved an average detection range of 150 meters, greatly improving the safety of the Highway Navigation Guided Pilot (Highway NGP) system.
- o Developed and evaluated multi-object tracking sensor fusion features for Highway NGP that operated on production vehicles equipped with radars and cameras.
- o Developed a 3D real-time visualization tool. Gained adaption and completely replaced Rviz across the company.
- o Skills : C++, Qt, OpenGL, Python, Bash Script, Docker

Robotic Embedded Systems Laboratory (RESL)

Research Assistant

Los Angeles, CA

May 2018 - Dec 2019

- o Researched on applying machine learning techniques to quadrotor control problems and published papers at academic conferences.
- o Developed simulation environment and training pipelines that automatically convert neural network graphs to high-performance embedded software.
- o Skills : Python, C++, C, TensorFlow, OpenAI, ROS, Gazebo, Docker, Boost, \LaTeX

Dynamic Robotics Laboratory

Intern

Corvallis, OR

May 2016 - September 2016

- o Participated in the development of the bipedal robot Cassie that became widely used in the research community.
- o Implemented communication protocols to reliably transfer telemetry data between the robot and the remote control.
- o Skills: C, C++, Python, MAVLINK, Lua, Bash Script

PUBLICATIONS

Artem Molchanov*, Tao Chen*, Wolfgang Hönig, James A. Preiss, Nora Ayanian and Gaurav S. Sukhatme, "*Sim-to-(Multi)-Real: Transfer of Low-Level Robust Control Policies to Multiple Quadrotors*", International Conference on Intelligent Robots and Systems, 2019.
(* equal contribution)

AWARDS AND ACHIEVEMENTS

Honor Roll, Oregon State University

2015 & 2016 & 2017

Winner, Capstone project, Oregon State University

2017

College of Engineering Scholarship, Oregon State University

2016 & 2017

Spotlight presenter, Southern California Robotics Symposium

2019

Master's Best Research Award, USC

2019