RSS Main Conference Schedule

Tuesday, June 28: Main Conference, Day 1

Youtube broadcast link: https://youtu.be/ql0zvRp-UnE

9:00-9:30am Arledge Aud. Lerner Hall	Opening remarks Kris Hauser (Program Chair), Matei Ciocarlie (Local Arrangements Chair)
9:30-10:00am	Paper Session 1: Long talks Chair: Christoffer Heckmann (University of Colorado, Boulder)
9:30-9:45am	ACID: Action-Conditional Implicit Visual Dynamics for Deformable Object Manipulation Bokui Shen (Stanford University), Zhenyu Jiang (University of Texas at Austin), Christopher Choy (NVidia), Leonidas Guibas (Stanford University), Silvio Savarese (Stanford University), Anima Anandkumar (NVIDIA/Caltech), Yuke Zhu (University of Texas, Austin)
9:45-10:00am	Resilient Multi-Sensor Exploration of Multifarious Environments with a Team of Aerial Robots Graeme Best (University of Technology Sydney), Rohit Garg (CMU), John Keller (CMU), Geoff Hollinger (Oregon State University), Sebastian Scherer (CMU)
10:00-10:30am <i>N. Lobby</i>	Coffee break
10:30-11:30am <i>Arledge</i>	Paper Session 2: Short talks Chair: David Held (Carnegie Mellon University)
10:30-10:35am	Equivariant Transporter Network Haojie Huang, Dian Wang, Robin Walters, Robert Platt (Northeastern University)
10:35-10:40am	RoboCraft: Learning to See, Simulate, and Shape Elasto-Plastic Objects with Graph Networks Haochen Shi (Stanford University), Huazhe Xu (Stanford University), Zhiao Huang (University of California San Diego), Yunzhu Li (MIT), Jiajun Wu (Stanford University)
10:40-10:45am	Play it by Ear: Learning Skills amidst Occlusion through Audio-Visual Imitation Learning Maximilian Du, Olivia Y Lee, Suraj Nair, Chelsea Finn (Stanford University)
10:45-10:50am	The Surprising Effectiveness of Representation Learning for Visual Imitation Jyothish Pari, Nur Muhammad (Mahi) Shafiullah, Sridhar Pandian Arunachalam, Lerrel Pinto (NYU)
10:50-10:55am	Mesh-based Dynamics with Occlusion Reasoning for Cloth Manipulation Zixuan Huang, Xingyu Lin, David Held (CMU)
10:55-11:00am	Q&A
11:00-11:05am	A Learning-based Iterative Control Framework for Controlling a Robot Arm with Pneumatic Artificial Muscles Hao Ma, Dieter Büchler, Bernhard Schölkopf, Michael Muehlebach (Max Planck Institute for Intelligent Systems)

11:05-11:10am	iSDF: Real-Time Neural Signed Distance Fields for Robot Perception Joseph Ortiz (Imperial College London), Alexander Clegg (Facebook AI Research), Jing Dong (Facebook), Edgar A Sucar (Imperial College London), David Novotny (Facebook AI Research), Michael Zollhöfer (Facebook Reality Labs), Mustafa Mukadam (Facebook AI Research)
11:10-11:15am	POCD: Probabilistic Object-Level Change Detection and Volumetric Mapping in Semi-Static Scenes Jingxing Qian (University of Toronto), Veronica Chatrath (University of Toronto), Jun Yang (University of Toronto), James Servos (Clearpath Robotics), Angela Schoellig (University of Toronto), Steven L Waslander (University of Toronto)
11:15-11:20am	DICP: Doppler Iterative Closest Point Algorithm Bruno Hexsel, Heethesh Vhavle, Yi Chen (Aeva Inc)
11:20-11:30am	Q&A
11:30-12:30pm	Keynote: An Al-First Approach to Building the Next Generation of Self-Driving Technology Raquel Urtasun (University of Toronto, Waabi.ai) Chair: Kris Hauser
12:30-2:00pm	Lunch
2:00-3:00pm	Paper Session 3: Long talks Chair: Dmitry Berenson (University of Michigan)
2:00-2:15pm	Iterative Residual Policy for Goal-Conditioned Dynamic Manipulation of Deformable Objects Cheng Chi (Columbia University), Benjamin CM Burchfiel (TRI), Eric Cousineau (TRI), Siyuan Feng (TRI), Shuran Song (Columbia University)
2:15-2:30pm	FlowBot3D: Learning 3D Articulation Flow to Manipulate Articulated Objects Benjamin Eisner (CMU), Harry Zhang (CMU), David Held (CMU)
2:30-2:45pm	ViKiNG: Vision-Based Kilometer-Scale Navigation with Geographic Hints Dhruv Shah, Sergey Levine (UC Berkeley)
2:45-3:00pm	DextAlRity: Deformable Manipulation Can be a Breeze Zhenjia Xu (Columbia University), Cheng Chi (Columbia University), Benjamin CM Burchfiel (TRI), Eric Cousineau (TRI), Siyuan Feng (TRI), Shuran Song (Columbia University)
3:00-3:30pm	Early Career Spotlight Talk: Henny Admoni Five Traps for Robots in Human EnvironmentsAnd How to Avoid Them Henny Admoni, CMU Chair: Dylan Shell
3:30-4:30pm	Paper Session 4: Short talks Chair: Anirudah Majumdar (Princeton University)
3:30-3:35pm	MIRROR: Differentiable Deep Social Projection for Assistive Human-Robot Communication Kaiqi Chen, Jeffrey Fong, Harold Soh (NUS)
3:35-3:40pm	Robotic Telekinesis: Learning a Robotic Hand Imitator by Watching Humans on YouTube Aravind Sivakumar, Kenneth Shaw, Deepak Pathak (CMU)

3:40-3:45pm	Underwater Robot-To-Human Communication Via Motion: Implementation and Full-Loop Human Interface Evaluation Michael S Fulton, Muntaqim Mehtaz, Owen Queeglay, Junaed Sattar (University of Minnesota)
3:45-3:50pm	Gaze Complements Control Input for Goal Prediction During Assisted Teleoperation Reuben M Aronson, Henny Admoni (CMU)
3:50-3:55pm	Negative Result for Learning from Demonstration: Challenges for End-Users Teaching Robots with Task And Motion Planning Abstractions Nakul Gopalan, Nina M Moorman, Manisha Natarajan, Matthew Gombolay (Georgia Tech)
3:55-4:00pm	Q&A
4:00-4:05pm	Human Motion Control of Quadrupedal Robots using Deep Reinforcement Learning Sunwoo Kim (Seoul National University), Maks Sorokin (Georgia Tech), Jehee Lee (Seoul National University), Sehoon Ha (Georgia Tech)
4:05-4:10pm	Rapid Locomotion via Reinforcement Learning Gabriel B Margolis (MIT), Ge Yang (University of Chicago), Kartik Paigwar (ASU), Tao Chen (MIT), Pulkit Agrawal (MIT)
4:10-4:15pm	Human-to-Robot Imitation in the Wild Shikhar Bahl (CMU), Abhinav Gupta (CMU/FAIR), Deepak Pathak (CMU)
4:15-4:20pm	Variational Inference MPC using Normalizing Flows and Out-of-Distribution Projection Thomas J Power, Dmitry Berenson (University of Michigan)
4:20-4:30am	Q&A
4:30-6:00pm <i>Arledge</i>	Poster session Coffee served in North Lobby
6:00-7:30pm Low Rotunda	Welcome reception Drinks and hors d'oeuvres will be served

Wednesday, June 27: Main Conference, Day 2

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9:00-10:00am Arledge Aud. Lerner Hall	Paper Session 5: Hybrid short / long talks Chair: Kostas Bekris (Rutgers University)
9:00-9:05am	Embodied Multi-Agent Task Planning from Ambiguous Instruction Xinzhu Liu, Xinghang Li, Di Guo, Sinan Tan, Huaping Liu, Sun Fuchun (Tsinghua University)
9:05-9:10am	Data Augmentation for Manipulation Peter Mitrano, Dmitry Berenson (University of Michigan)
9:10-9:15am	Bridging Model-based Safety and Model-free Reinforcement Learning through System Identification of Low Dimensional Linear Models Zhongyu Li, Jun Zeng, Akshay Thirugnanam, Koushil Sreenath (UC Berkeley)
9:15-9:20am	A Local Optimization Framework for Multi-Objective Ergodic Search Zhongqiang Ren (Carnegie Mellon University), Akshaya Kesarimangalam Srinivasan (Carnegie Mellon University), Howard Coffin (Carnegie Mellon University), Ian Abraham (Yale University), Howie Choset (Carnegie Mellon University)
9:20-9:25am	Aerial Layouting: Design and Control of a Compliant and Actuated End-Effector for Precise In-flight Marking on Ceilings Christian Lanegger, Marco Tognon, Lionel Ott (ETH Zurich)
9:25-9:30am	Q&A
9:30-9:45am	Multi-Robot Adversarial Resilience using Control Barrier Functions Matthew Cavorsi (Harvard University), Beatrice Capelli (University of Modena and Reggio Emilia), Lorenzo Sabattini (University of Modena and Reggio Emilia), Stephanie Gil (Harvard University)
9:45-10:00am	Autonomously Untangling Long Cables Kaushik Shivakumar, Vainavi Viswanath, Justin Kerr, Brijen Thananjeyan, Ellen Novoseller, Jeffrey Ichnowski, Ken Goldberg, Joseph Gonzalez, Michael Laskey, Alejandro Escontrela (UC Berkeley)
10:00-10:30am <i>N. Lobby</i>	Coffee break
10:30-11:30am <i>Arledge</i>	Paper Session 6: Short talks Chair: TBD
10:30-10:35am	Proxima: An Approach for Time or Accuracy Budgeted Collision Proximity Queries Daniel Rakita, Bilge Mutlu, Michael Gleicher (University of Wisconsin-Madison)
10:35-10:40am	PROX-QP: Yet another Quadratic Programming Solver for Robotics and Beyond Antoine Bambade (INRIA), Sarah El Kazdadi (INRIA), Adrien B Taylor (INRIA/ENS), Justin Carpentier (INRIA)
10:40-10:45am	SymForce: Symbolic Computation and Code Generation for Robotics Hayk Martiros, Aaron Miller (Skydio, Inc.)
10:45-10:50am	Failure Prediction with Statistical Guarantees for Vision-Based Robot Control Alec Farid, David Snyder, Allen Z. Ren, Anirudha Majumdar (Princeton University)

10:50-10:55am	Factory: Fast Contact for Robotic Assembly Yashraj S Narang, Kier Storey, Iretiayo A Akinola, Miles Macklin, Philipp Reist, Lukasz Wawrzyniak, Yunrong Guo, Adam Moravanszky, Gavriel State, Michelle Lu, Ankur Handa, Dieter Fox (NVIDIA)
10:55-11:00am	Q&A
11:00-11:05am	Collision Detection Accelerated: An Optimization Perspective Louis Montaut (INRIA/CIIRC), Quentin Le Lidec (INRIA), Vladimír Petrík (Czech Technical University), Josef Sivic (Czech Technical University), Justin Carpentier (INRIA)
11:05-11:10am	Fundamental Performance Limits for Sensor-Based Robot Control and Policy Learning Anirudha Majumdar, Vincent Pacelli (Princeton University)
11:10-11:15am	Certifiable Robot Design Optimization using Differentiable Programming Charles B Dawson, Chuchu Fan (MIT)
11:15-11:20am	Collocation Methods for Second Order Systems Siro Moreno (Consejo Superior de Investigaciones Científicas), Lluís Ros (Institut de Robòtica i Informàtica Industrial, CSIC-UPC), Enric Celaya (Consejo Superior de Investigaciones Científicas)
11:20-11:30am	Q&A
11:30-12:30pm	Keynote: Wireless Skin-Conformal Devices for Health Monitoring and Haptic Interactions John Rogers (Northwestern University) Chair: Kris Hauser
12:30-2:00pm	Lunch
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3:30-3:35pm	SVAM: Saliency-guided Visual Attention Modeling by Autonomous Underwater Robot Md Jahidul Islam (University of Florida), Ruobing Wang (University of Minnesota), Junaed Sattar (University of Minnesota)
3:35-3:40pm	TNS: Terrain Traversability Mapping and Navigation System for Autonomous Excavators Tianrui Guan (University of Maryland, College Park), Zhenpeng He (Baidu Research Institute), Ruitao Song (Baidu Research Institute), Dinesh Manocha (University of Maryland at College Park), Liangjun Zhang (Baidu Research Institute)
3:40-3:45pm	Hydra: A Real-time Spatial Perception System for 3D Scene Graph Construction and Optimization Nathan Hughes, Yun Chang, Luca Carlone (MIT)
3:45-3:50pm	FaDIV-Syn: Fast Depth-Independent View Synthesis using Soft Masks and Implicit Blending Andre Rochow (University of Bonn), Max Schwarz (University of Bonn), Michael Weinmann (TU Delft), Sven Prof. Behnke (University of Bonn)
3:50-3:55pm	CALI: Coarse-to-Fine ALIgnments Based Unsupervised Domain Adaptation of Traversability Prediction for Deployable Autonomous Navigation Zheng Chen, Durgakant Pushp, Lantao Liu (Indiana University, Bloomington)
3:55-4:00pm	Q&A
4:00-5:30pm <i>Arledge</i>	Poster session Coffee served in North Lobby
5:30-5:35pm	Banquet travel instructions Matei Ciocarlie
	Travel to banquet We recommend taking the 1 train (a 35-40 minute trip) or an Uber/Yellow Cab (20-30 minutes depending on traffic).
7:00-10:00pm <i>Pier 40</i>	Boarding starts at 6:30pm, ship leaves dock at 7:00pm

Thursday, June 30: Main Conference, Day 3

Youtube broadcast link: https://youtu.be/kA2BeKyqkGs

9:00-10:00am Arledge Aud. Lerner Hall	Paper Session 9: Hybrid short talks Chair: Elaine Short (Tufts University)
9:00-9:05am	KernelGPA: A Deformable SLAM Back-end Fang Bai, Adrien Bartoli (Université Clermont Auvergne)
9:05-9:10am	CURL: Continuous, Ultra-compact Representation for LiDAR Kaicheng Zhang, Ziyang Hong, Shida Xu, Sen Wang (Heriot-Watt University)
9:10-9:15am	SEER: Unsupervised and sample-efficient environment specialization of image descriptors Peer Neubert, Stefan Schubert (TU Chemnitz)
9:15-9:20am	Sub-1.5 Time-Optimal Multi-Robot Path Planning on Grids in Polynomial Time Teng Guo, Jingjin Yu (Rutgers University)
9:20-9:30am	Q&A
9:30-9:35am	Occupancy-SLAM: Simultaneously Optimizing Robot Poses and Continuous Occupancy Map Liang Zhao, Yingyu Wang, Shoudong Huang (Robotics Institute, University of Technology Sydney)
9:35-9:40am	Conflict-Based Steiner Search for Multi-Agent Combinatorial Path Finding Zhongqiang Ren (CMU), Sivakumar Rathinam (Texas A&M University), Howie Choset (CMU)
9:40-9:45am	Traversing Supervisor Problem: An Approximately Optimal Approach to Multi-Robot Assistance Tianchen Ji, Roy Dong, Katherine Driggs-Campbell (University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign)
9:45-9:50am	Cooperative Multi-Agent Trajectory Generation with Modular Bayesian Optimization Gilhyun Ryou, Ezra Tal, Sertac Karaman (Massachusetts Institute of Technology)
9:50-10:00am	Q&A
10:00-10:30am <i>N. Lobby</i>	Coffee break
10:30-11:30am <i>Arledge</i>	Paper Session 10: Short talks Chair: Andy Zheng (Google)
10:30-10:35am	Soft Robots Learn to Crawl: Jointly Optimizing Design and Control with Sim-to- Real Transfer Charles Schaff (Toyota Technological Institute at Chicago), Audrey Sedal (McGill University), Matthew Walter (Toyota Technological Institute at Chicago)
10:35-10:40am	End-to-End Learning of Hybrid Inverse Dynamics Models for Precise and Compliant Impedance Control Moritz Reuss (KIT), Niels van Duijkeren (Bosch Corporate Research), Robert Krug (Bosch Corporate Research), Philipp Becker (KIT), Vaisakh Shaj (KIT), Gerhard Neumann (KIT)

10:40-10:45am	FuseBot: RF-Visual Mechanical Search Tara Boroushaki , Laura Dodds, Nazish Naeem, Fadel Adib (MIT)
10:45-10:50am	Learning Interpretable, High-Performing Policies for Autonomous Driving Rohan R Paleja (Georgia Tech), Yaru Niu (Georgia Tech), Andrew Silva (Georgia Tech), Chace O Ritchie (UKY), Sugju Choi (Georgia Tech), Matthew Gombolay (Georgia Tech)
10:50-10:55am	Learning Forward Dynamics Model and Informed Trajectory Sampler for Safe Quadruped Navigation Yunho Kim, Chanyoung Kim, Jemin Hwangbo (KAIST)
10:55-11:00am	Q&A
11:00-11:05am	Meta Value Learning for Fast Policy-Centric Optimal Motion Planning Siyuan Xu, Minghui Zhu (The Pennsylvania State University)
11:05-11:10am	Bridge Data: Boosting Generalization of Robotic Skills with Cross-Domain Datasets Frederik D Ebert (UC Berkeley), Yanlai Yang (UC Berkeley), Karl Schmeckpeper (University of Pennsylvania), Bernadette K Bucher (University of Pennsylvania), Georgios Georgakis (University of Pennsylvania), Kostas Daniilidis (University of Pennsylvania), Chelsea Finn (Stanford), Sergey Levine (UC Berkeley)
11:10-11:15am	Invariance Through Latent Alignment Takuma Yoneda (Toyota Technological Institute at Chicago), Ge Yang (University of Chicago), Matthew Walter (Toyota Technological Institute at Chicago), Bradly C Stadie (Vector Institute)
11:15-11:20am	Correcting Robot Plans with Natural Language Feedback Pratyusha Sharma (MIT), Balakumar Sundaralingam (NVIDIA), Valts Blukis (NVIDIA), Chris Paxton (NVIDIA), Tucker Hermans (University of Utah), Antonio Torralba (MIT), Jacob Andreas (MIT), Dieter Fox (NVIDIA)
11:20-11:30pm	Q&A
11:30-12:30pm	Test of Time Award and Panel Chair: Gaurav Sukhatme (University of Southern California)
12:30-2:00pm	Lunch Tour Columbia Robotics Labs (limited to X attendees, signup sheet at registration desk)
2:00-3:00pm	Paper Session 11: Short talks Chair: Jens Kober (TU Delft)
2:00-2:05pm	Action Conditioned Tactile Prediction: case study on slip prediction Willow Mandil, Amir Ghalamzan, Kiyanoush Nazari (Univercity of Lincoln)
2:05-2:10pm	Sample Efficient Grasp Learning Using Equivariant Models Xupeng Zhu, Dian Wang, Ondrej Biza, Guanang Su, Robin Walters, Robert Platt (Northeastern University)
2:10-2:15pm	Understanding Dynamic Tactile Sensing for Liquid Property Estimation Hung-Jui Huang, Xiaofeng Guo, Wenzhen Yuan (CMU)
2:15-2:20pm	Adaptive Manipulation of Conductive, Nonmagnetic Objects via a Continuous Model of Magnetically Induced Force and Torque

Griffin Tabor (University of Utah), Lan Pham (Relativity Space), Jake Abbott (University of Utah), Tucker Hermans (University of Utah)

2:20-2:30pm	Q&A
2:30-2:35pm	Distributed Optimisation and Deconstruction of Bridges by Self-Assembling Robots Edward Bray, Roderich Gross (The University of Sheffield)
2:35-2:40pm	Learning Mixed Strategies in Trajectory Games Lasse Peters (Delft University of Technology), David Fridovich-Keil (Stanford), Laura Ferranti (Delft University of Technology), Cyrill Stachniss (University of Bonn), Javier Alonso-Mora (Delft University of Technology), Forrest J Laine (UC Berkeley)
2:40-2:45pm	Decentralized Safe Multi-Agent Stochastic Optimal Control using Deep FBSDEs and ADMM Marcus A Pereira, Augustinos D Saravanos, Oswin So, Evangelos Theodorou (Georgia Tech)
2:45-2:50pm	PropEM-L: Radio Propagation Environment Modeling and Learning for Communication-Aware Multi-Robot Exploration Lillian Clark (University of Southern California), Jeffrey Edlund (JPL, CalTech), Tiago Stegun Vaquero (JPL, CalTech), Marc Sanchez Net (JPL, CalTech), Ali Agha (JPL)
2:50-3:00pm	Q&A
3:00-4:30pm <i>Arledge</i>	Poster session Coffee served in North Lobby
4:30-5:00pm <i>Arledge</i>	Award ceremony Robert Platt (Awards Committee Chair)
5:00-6:00pm	RSS Town Hall Kris Hauser (Program Chair), Dylan Shell (General Chair)
6:00-6:10pm	Close of Main Conference