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**EDUCATION** 

**New York University** 

Master of Science in Mechatronics and Robotics; GPA: 3.667/4

Birla Institute of Technology and Science, Pilani

Bachelor of Engineering in Electronics and Instrumentation

New York City, NY

Sep 2021 - May 2023

Pilani, India

Aug 2015 - May 2019

EXPERIENCE

**Central Electronics Engineering Research Institute** 

Pilani, India

Deep Learning Intern

Jul 2018 - Dec 2018

- o Data Annotation: Contributed to the pixel wise annotation of a novel data set consisting of 6000+ Infrared and RGB aerial images of power cables.
- o Mask RCNN: Fine-tuned a pretrained Mask RCNN model for instance segmentation of power cables on the new dataset and achieved an accuracy of approximately 70%

**TECHNICAL SKILLS** 

• Languages: Python, C++, Bash, MATLAB, LATEX, HTML, CSS

Tools & Platforms: VSCode, Vim, Git, GitHub, NYU HPC

• Frameworks: PyTorch, Keras, TensorFlow, OpenCV, Open3D

• Operating Systems: Linux, MacOS, Windows

## RELEVANT COURSEWORK

- Foundations of Robotics (F21): Kinematics, Dynamics, Open & closed loop control of a 7 revolute joint manipulator
- Robot Perception (F21): Projective Geometry, Camera Calibration, SFM, SLAM, Bundle Adjustment, Optical Flow, Tracking
- Robot Localisation and Navigation (\$22): Bayes & Kalman Filter, Pose Estimation, Motion Field, EKF & Pose Graph SLAM
- High Performance Machine Learning (\$22): Performance Optimization in PyTorch, Distributed DL, CUDA
- Deep Learning (S22): CNNs, RNNs, Transformers, GANs, BERT, Recommender Systems, Self-Supervised Learning, Deep RL
- MOOCs: Mathematics for ML, Introduction to Tensorflow Neural Networks & Deep Learning, CNNs in Tensorflow,

## **PROJECTS**

- Fully Convolutional Networks for Post-Earthquake Damage Assessment: (tensorflow)
  - o Introduction: Developed FCNs for semantic segmentation of components and damage state of a damaged building.
  - o Model: Designed symmetric convolutional encoder and decoder networks to pixel wise classification of building components and detect damaged components.
  - o Outcome: Achieved a mean IoU of 83% over 5 component classes and mean IoU of 70% for 5 damage state classes.
- Dimensionality Reduction using Convolutional Autoencoders: (pytorch, scikit-learn)
  - o Introduction: Developed a deep convolutional autoencoder to reduce the dimensions of 28x28 size Fashion MNIST images.
  - Model: Implemented an 10 layer convolutional autoencoder with a latent space of 64 dimensions.
  - Visualisation: Further reduced dimensions of the latent space to 2 dimensions using t-SNE, and visualised the result.
- Marker based Augmented Reality: (opency, pyapriltag)
  - o Introduction: Drew a AR 3D cube on the image of an AprilTag marker.
  - Marker Detection: Detected an AprilTag marker by computing corresponding corners and centers of the marker.
  - o Perspective Transformation: Solved a PnP transform between the corners of a marker and a face of a cube.
  - o Cube Construction: Computed and projected 8 points of the cube on the image and drew lines using OpenCV
- Pose Estimation between two images: (numpy, opency, pyapriltag)
  - o Introduction: Computed the relative pose between two images captured from different viewpoints.
  - o Camera Calibration: Calibrated a camera using April Tag based calibration rig and removed distortion from the images.
  - o Fundamental Matrix Estimation: Computed the fundamental matrix using the normalized 8 point algorithm.
  - o Pose Estimation: Estimated the relative pose between two images by decomposing essential matrix.
- Bag of Visual Words for finding similar images: (opency, scikit-learn)
  - o Introduction: Developed a method to find similar query images from a database of 29,000 50x50 resolution images.
  - Feature Extraction: Computed SIFT features for each image in database using OpenCV's built-in SIFT feature extractor.
  - o Clustering: Used the k-means clustering algorithm to compute 800 cluster centroids which serve as visual words.
  - Histograms: Computed histograms of computed visual words for all the query images and images in the database.
  - o Image Query: Used the k-nearest neighbours algorithm to find the histogram that is most similar to query image.
- 3D Plane fitting in Point Cloud Data: (open3d, numpy)
  - o Introduction: Implemented the RANSAC algorithm from scratch on 3D point cloud data in pcd format.
  - o Point Selection: Randomly selected 3 points in data and computed plane parameters using parametric equation of a plane
  - o Plane Parameters: Computed the best plane parameters by minimizing perpendicular distance of each point in data from the plane.