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Swiss Residency (Permis B)

Education -

Master in Robotics along with a Minor in Data Science at École Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne (EPFL):

Major specializing in mobile robotics. Studies in AI, Machine Learning, Control Systems and robotics. | 2022 - current

Bachelor of Engineering at École Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne (EPFL):

Major in Microengineering. Studies in programming, digital systems design, microcontrollers, electronics, microfabrication, mechanism designs. | 2018 – 2022

French Baccalaureate S (Scientific) at Lycée Français du Caire | 2018

Skills -

Programming: Proficient in C, C++, python, pytorch, MatLab and Assembly

Software: AutoCAD (CATIA), Logisim & Quartus Prime (digital system design)

Languages

A2 B1 B2 C1 C2 English French Arabic Spanish

Working Experience

September 2024 - current Internship at CHUV (.NeuroRestore Lab)

Modeling cardiovascular instability in people with spinal cord injury. Analysis of various clinical data, such as blood pressure, and heart rate to extract important features. Usage of different machine learning models in order to predict whether a specific data reading contains signs of orthostatic hypotension or not.

2022 - current Teacher's Assistant

Tutor for various complex mathematical subjects at EPFL (Calculus I and Linear Algebra) under professors M. Sacha Freidli, M. Nicolas Boumal and M. Peter Wittwer.

Projects

Automatic Segmentation of Light-Sheet Zebrafish Scans

- Semester Project in MICROBS lab at EPFL: Use machine learning segmentation techniques in order to automatically segment light-sheet scans.
- Key Concepts: Computer Vision, Usage and fine-tuning of preexisting stateof-the-art models (SAM), coding with python and pytorch, focal loss, crossentropy loss, intersection over union (IoU), multi-class segmentation.

Create an AI ChatBot Specialized to course content at EPFL

- Use Modern Natural Language Processing techniques in order to develop a specialized tutor-ChatBot through python, pytorch and state-of-the-art models such as T5, LLaMA.
- Key Concepts: NLP, RLHF, DPO training, dataset collection & labeling, preference dataset, improvement methods (RAG & Quantization).

Tweet Sentiment Classification

- Create a machine learning model that can perform binary classification (positive/negative sentiment) on a given dataset of tweets.
- Achieved the **Highest Accuracy Score** (92.1%) in the Class
- Key concepts: Tokenizing/encoding a text dataset (TF-IDF, GloVe), use of preexisting state-of-the-art transformers (BERTWEET), ethics of machine-learning.

2D Animal Pose Detection for the Autopilot of an Autonomous Vehicle

- Implementation of one of Tesla's autopilot features : 2D Animal Pose Detection.
- Contribution : Improving a preexisting model (OpenPifPaf) through Semantic Data Augmentation (SDA).
- Key concepts: ML, AI, perception, prediction, planning, neural networks (NN), convolutional NNs, recurrent NNs, regularisation techniques, supervised learning.

Programming a quadrotor drone to complete an obstacle course

- Coding using Python, in both simulation and hardware.
- Key concepts: path planning, obstacle avoidance, drone navigation and target detection, sensor usage.

Programming a Thymio robot to go through an obstacle course

- Coding done using Python
- Key concepts: computer vision, map recognition, path determination, neural networks, local-obstacle-avoidance and Kalman filter for pose estimation.

Embedded Systems and Robotics

- Programming an epuck robot to perform a specific application.
- Coding done using C, **programming sensors** such as TOF, microphones, cameras and IMU.
- Optimization and programming done with the use and management of threads.