Anuj Nagpal

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EDUCATION

Stanford University

Masters in Computational and Mathematical Engineering; GPA: 4.1/4.0

Indian Institute of Technology Kanpur

Bachelors in Computer Science and Engineering; GPA: 9.3/10.0

California, U.S.A. Sep 2021 - June 2023 Uttar Pradesh, India

July 2014 - May 2018

Work Experience

Matic Robots, Inc.

Mountain View, California

August 2023 - Current

 $Research\ Engineer$

- Designed robust and efficient Visual SLAM algorithms in Rust with support for loop closure, map merge, re-localization, and bundle adjustment using Google's Ceres Solver.
- Improved pose estimates by 60% by replacing hand-engineered rules with NetVLAD for extracting global image descriptors, SuperPoint for keypoint extraction, and LightGlue for keypoint matching.
- Spearheaded **Odometry** model using wheel encoder data, removing failure points for keypoint tracking in featureless areas.
- Reduced corrupted slamgraph instances by 80% by building evaluation platform and visualizer tools for multi-threaded and non-deterministic SLAM system in Streamlit (Python) and eframe (Rust).
- Enhanced 3D object detection and semantic segmentation accuracy by designing 50+ realistic simulations using Microsoft's AirSim C++ plugin with Unreal Engine 5.

Facebook

Menlo Park, California

 $June\ 2022$ - $September\ 2022$

Machine Learning Engineering Intern

- Improved search and recommendations for Facebook Marketplace by designing an end-to-end Multimodal network in PyTorch with a multi-head classification network for objects and attributes.
- Automated machine learning pipeline through SQL data processing in Apache Hive and distributed training using FAIR's MultiModal Framework (MMF).
- Increased **precision** (mAP) for object-attribute **composition classification by 3**% on internal marketplace data using **Swin transformer** backbone in image encoder.

Goldman Sachs

Bengaluru, India

Associate

June 2018 - July 2021

- Boosted trade volume on **electronic market exchanges** by developing **algorithms and infrastructure in Java** for automatic and manual trading of **fixed-income products**.
- Expanded e-trading inventory of Credit Default Swap Indices by 3 times in London and 1.5 times in New York by devising auto-pricing algorithms and constructing live trading channels.
- Built robust microservices for auto-trading state machines and algorithmic price streams using Maven, Jenkins, GitLab and Kafka, capable of handling 50K+ requests with millisecond latency and rapid market movements.

Research Experience

Stanford University

Graduate Student Researcher

Stanford, California

August 2021 - December 2022

- Decreased text perplexity by 63% than maximum likelihood based models for natural language generation by devising an adversarial-free imitation learning approach in PyTorch Won the best project award. [Project Link]
- Formulated a multi-sample denoising autoencoder approach for score value estimation in diffusion models, giving training speedup with an inverse power-law (0.37 exponent) and improved image generation quality. [Project Link]
- Constructed **neural Granger causality models** with sparsity inducing penalties on **MLPs**, **RNNs and LSTMs**, capturing **95%+ causal matrix entries** for time series having long-range non-linear relations. [Project Link]

TEACHING ASSISTANT EXPERIENCE

• CS224N: Natural Language Processing with Deep Learning, Stanford University

Winter 2023

• CME323: Distributed Algorithms and Optimization, Stanford University

Spring 2022 Winter 2022

• CS236G: Generative Adversarial Networks, Stanford University

Fall 2022, Spring 2023

 \bullet CME100: Vector Calculus for Engineers, Stanford University

Winter 2018

• ESC101: Fundamentals of Computing, IIT Kanpur

TECHNICAL SKILLS

- Languages: Python, Rust, C++, C, SQL, Java, Scala, JavaScript, Ruby, Bash, R, Matlab, HTML, CSS
- Libraries/Tools: PyTorch, TensorFlow, Protobuf, Docker, DVC, Grafana, Bazel, AWS S3, PyG, JAX, Unreal Engine