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EDUCATION

Carnegie Mellon University, Robotics Institute

Pittsburgh, PA

 $MS + PhD \ in \ Robotics$

Aug. 2020 - Aug 2024 (expected)

Carnegie Mellon University, CIT

Pittsburgh, PA

PhD in Mechanical Engineering

Aug. 2018 - Aug 2020 (transferred to the RI)

Indian Institute of Science

Bangalore, India

Master of Science in Mechanical Engineering

Aug. 2015 - Dec. 2017

Indian Institute of Engineering Science and Technology

Shibpur, India

Bachelor of Engineering in Mechanical Engineering

Jul. 2011 - May 2015

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Neural 3D representations, 3D reconstruction, sensor fusion, photometric stereo, 3D capture systems, prototyping low-level computer vision systems, CV accelerators, and tactile sensing.

EXPERIENCE

Toyota Research Institute

Los Altos, CA

Research Scientist Intern

May. 2023 - Aug. 2023

Team:

ML @ TRI

Physically based 3D representations: Researched algorithms on physically based capture of 3D assets for robotics. Developed a robot mounted multi-flash stereo camera rig to capture multi-modal data from small objects in bounded scenes. [Patent filed 2/15/24. App. no.: 63/553727]

Atkeson Lab, CMU RI

Pittsburgh, PA

Graduate Research Assistant

Nov. 2019 - Present

Advisor: Thesis topic: Prof. Christopher Atkeson

Moving lights and cameras for better 3D vision

Moving cameras: Developed an ensemble of collocated vision, depth and touch sensors and a set of algorithms to visually servo robots to workspace goals and localize objects through vision and touch. ICRA & RA-L'22

Moving lights: Designed and implemented a robot workspace scale photometric stereo setup for object agnostic, surface texture, surface orientation, and surface deformation perception. WACV'24

Moving lights and cameras: Designed and implemented a portable multi-flash stereo camera for appearance and geometry perception of small scenes. Project

Biorobotics Lab, CMU RI

Pittsburgh, PA

Graduate Research Assistant

Aug. 2018 - Jul. 2019

Advisor:

Prof. Howie Choset

Medical device prototype: Co-developed and prototyped a hand held soft tissue investigation device for low-cost tumor diagnosis. Hamlyn '19

Non-rigid registration: Surveyed algorithms for human organ registration and proposed and implemented faster algorithms with comparable accuracy to handle larger volumes of data. Link

Robotics and Design Lab, IISc

Bangalore, India

Research Staff

Jan. 2018 - Jul. 2018

Advisor:

Prof. Ashitava Ghosal

Optimal Motion Planning: Derived optimal, polynomial time motion plans for snake-like robots in confined spaces such as endoscopes in GI tract, pipe inspection robots and in cluttered search and rescue scenarios. CAD

Robotics and Design Lab, IISc

Bangalore, India

Graduate Research Assistant

Jul. 2015 - Dec. 2017

Advisor:

Prof. Ashitava Ghosal

Design of Parallel Robots: Designed Monte Carlo simulations to model workspaces of parallel robots. Modeled the human 3-fingered grasp and proposed techniques for optimal design of parallel robots. Thesis, MMT, JMR.

Selected Course Projects

Planning on Manifolds: Devised algorithms for path planning of collaborative robot arms to manipulate ultra-sound probes on a human body phantom. This algorithm was later used to research automatic femoral artery catheterization. [Video]

SLAM for Legged Robots: Used GTSAM and OpenCV to co-develop a framework for visual state estimation in legged robots using their gait information. [Report]

Publications. [Google Scholar Page]

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- [5] Chaudhury, A. N., & Ghosal, A. (2018). "Workspace of Multi-fingered Hands Using Monte Carlo Method". Journal of Mechanisms and Robotics, 10(4), 041003. Link
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SKILLS

Programming Languages: Python, C++, CUDA, Cython

Robot platforms: Universal Robots UR5, Franka Emika FR3, XArm-7

Computing Environments: Linux [Ubuntu]

Machine Learning Toolboxes: PyTorch, TensorFlow, SciKit-Learn

Software Libraries: ROS, OpenCV, PCL, GTSAM

Languages: English (full proficiency), Bengali (native proficiency) and Hindi (bi-lingual proficiency)

Relevant Courses

At CMU: Computer Vision, Geometric Methods in Computer Vision, Advanced Nonlinear Control Theory, Robot Mapping and Localization, Linear Systems, Statistical Techniques in Robotics, Deep Reinforcement Learning, Machine Learning

At IISc: Robotics (Kinematics, Dynamics and Control), Numerical Linear Algebra, Geometric Modelling, Linear and Non-Linear Optimization,

AWARDS

DST-SERB Overseas PhD fellowship (Govt. of India) [Declined]	08/2018 - 08/2023
Graduate Research Fellowship (CMU)	08/2018 - 08/2019
DST Graduate Scholarship (Govt. of India)	08/2015 - 12/2017

References

Prof. Christopher G. Atkeson Professor, CMU, cga@cmu.edu [advisor]

Prof. Ashitava Ghosal Professor, IISc Bangalore. asitava@iisc.ac.in [ex. advisor]

Dr. Igor Vasiljevic Research Scientist, Toyota Research Inst., igor.vasiljevic@tri.global [Internship Mentor]