Armin Hadzic

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Research Interests

Developing **deep learning** methods to address challenges in latent information representation from varying sources, such as point clouds, images, and audio. More generally, I am interested in **deep learning**, **computer vision**, **reinforcement learning**, **artificial intelligence**, **remote sensing**, and **robotics**.

Education

University of Kentucky

2018-2020

Master of Science in Computer Science, GPA - 4.0

Advisor: Nathan Jacobs

Thesis: Estimating Free-Flow Speed with LiDAR and Overhead Imagery

University of Kentucky

University of Kentucky

2016

Bachelor of Science in Computer Engineering, GPA – 3.8

Graduated Magna Cum Laude

2009-2013

Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering, GPA – 3.8 Graduated Magna Cum Laude, Minor in Computer Science

Dean's List Fall 2010 to Spring 2013.

Publications

[1] Weilian Song, Scott Workman, Armin Hadzic, Xu Zhang, Eric Green, Mei Chen, Reginald Souleyrette, and Nathan Jacobs. "FARSA: Fully Automated Roadway Safety Assessment". In: 2018 IEEE Winter Conference on Applications of Computer Vision (WACV). Lake Tahoe, Nevada, March 2018.

Under Review.

[1] Armin Hadzic, Gordon Christie, Jeffrey Freeman, Amber Dismer, Stevan Bullard, Ashley Greiner, Nathan Jacobs, and Ryan Mukherjee. "Estimation Displaced Populations from Overhead". In: 2020 IEEE International Geoscience and Remote Sensing Symposium (IGARSS). Waikoloa Village, Hawaii, July 2020.

In Preparation....

[1] Armin Hadzic, Weilian Song, Scott Workman, Mei Chen, and Nathan Jacobs. "Estimating Free-Flow Speed with LiDAR and Overhead Imagery". In: *IEEE/ISPRS Workshop: Large Scale Computer Vision for Remote Sensing Imagery (EARTHVISION)*. Seattle, Washington, June 2020.

Professional Experience

Research

2018-Present

UK COMPUTER VISION LAB

Research Assistant

Lexington, KY

- o Advised by Associate Professor Nathan Jacobs.
- o Designing convolutional neural networks to leverage pointclouds and satellite imagery to regress car freeflow speeds in Kentucky.
- Developed Natural Language Processing (NLP) temporal convolutional and attention-based neural network models to estimate firm economic performance using public SEC text reports.

Machine Perception Intern

2019

Johns Hopkins University Applied Physics Labortory

Laurel, MD

- O Advised by Ryan Mukherjee and Dr. Gordon Christie.
- o Regressed population of displaced communities for disaster relief efforts, utilizing overhead imagery and deep neural networks.

Volunteer Machine Learning Research Assistant

UK COMPUTER VISION LAB

2017-2018 Lexington, KY

- o Automated the US Road Assessment Program (usRAP) road safety assessment using a deep convolutional neural network to directly estimate roadway safety based on street-level panorama images, reducing evaluation time to milliseconds per image.
- o Integrated the roadway safety estimator into a GPS vehicle routing system to enhance navigation with the capability to identify a balanced, safe and fast, driving route.

Industry.....

Software Development Engineer

2017-2018

Belcan Engineering Group Inc.

Lexington, KY

- o Developed, maintained, and tested a jet engine diagnostic and fault resolution system, saving over \$100,000 by automating engine maintenance diagnostics.
- o Integrated and streamlined a legacy cross-platform build system with modern development tools, mitigating build errors and reducing development time.

Embedded Software Engineer

2016-2017

Belcan Engineering Group Inc.

Lexington, KY

o Streamlined the user interface and reduced diagnostic time of jet engines by identifying, isolating, and purging Onboard Maintenance System inefficiencies and defects.

Software Test Engineer

2015-2016

BELCAN ENGINEERING GROUP INC.

Lexington, KY

- o Designed and implemented Control and Diagnostic System Verification and Validation Tests for 4 P&W Turbofan Jet Engines.
- o Discovered mission critical control logic, software, and documentation defects through root-cause analysis, informal testing, regression testing and system testing; leading to best in class, safe, and high performance jet engines.

Founder and Software Developer

2015

CHANGING TABLE APP

Lexington, KY

o Developed an Android application to aid users in locating men's washrooms containing changing tables in order to alleviate the stress of searching for baby friendly environments.

Software Engineering Co-op

2013-2014

TEMPUR SEALY INTERNATIONAL INC

Lexington, KY

o Pioneered and developed a GUI and 3D topography mapping application to visually analyze large datapoint datasets, generating streamlined product testing, seamless user experience, and refined product quality.

Software Engineering Intern

2012

Johnson Controls Inc

Florence, KY

o Designed and implemented a software algorithm for streamlined Automated Guided Vehicle (AGV) routing, saving \$57,000 per year in scrap reduction and transportation costs.

Technical skills

Programming Languages	C/C++, Python, Verilog, Java, LATEX, Assembly, Make
Libraries	PyTorch, Scikit-Learn, Keras, Tensorflow
Operating Systems	Unix/Linux, Windows, OSX, Android
Development Environments	Linux Toolchain, Jupyter, PyCharm, Visual Studio, Android Studio, Xilinx