

ASHISH MAKNIKAR

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TECHNICAL SKILLS

Software Development

 $Java\left(Kafka \cdot Spring \cdot Hazelcast \cdot Hibernate \cdot Camel\right) \mid SQL\left(MySQL \cdot SSMS\right) \mid Devops\left(GCP \cdot AWSAMS\right) \mid SQL\left(MySQL \cdot SSMS\right) \mid SQL\left(MySQL$

· Docker) | C++ | Python (BeautifulSoup · Selenium · Django) | JavaScript | React | ExtJS

AI, Robotics & Computer Vision

Python (Tensorflow · Pytorch · OpenCV) | ROS | Gazebo | CUDA

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Software Development Engineer - Full Stack

Jun 2021 — Aug 2022

Finmechanics Pvt. Limited

- Designed financial Bloomberg FX data streaming, static data management, currency position and trade tracking, FX Swap/Fwds management, and card rate publishing services for CIMB on the service-based Java, React and ExtJS technology stack.
- Spearheaded continuous server deployment and testing of features and fixes delivery for over 200 trading and sales UAT participants.
- Collaborated to design and develop integration solutions with legacy client systems through APIs and Camel file consumption routes.
- Automated Repo Trade management according to the Bond Exchange of South Africa convention for Windhoek Bank, SA.

Software Development Engineer

May 2020 — Jul 2020

Internship, Honeywell Technology Solutions

- Built a **Kafka micro-services** pipeline for ingesting, aggregating Iridium location reports, and merging them with other Honeywell location service providers and front-end services through **subscription and APIs**.
- Implemented a position prediction algorithm with Kalman filters and Bayes models to predict aircraft position in poor connectivity.
- Improved flight live-tracking services fidelity by conceiving and implementing push-based **WebSockets** on a **NodeJS** backend.
- Repurposed multiple third party tracking data for applications in UAV and aircraft tracking and communication services.

Computer Vision Engineer

May 2019 — Jul 2019

Internship, Detect Technologies

- Deployed Industrial smoke-stack image segmentation using the self-supervised segmentation model in 'Tracking Objects via colorization'.
- Integrated and deployed neural network (SRN-Deblur) based motion de-blurring model for aerial drone footage.
- Stitched multiple CCTV feeds of industrial work site into a single mosaic, applied helmet detection model for workplace safety.
- Streamlined canvas mosiacing of video using SIFT and ORB key-point tracking, cleaning of drone footage using histogram equalisation. .

Web Developer

Jan 2023 — Mar 2023

UC San Diego - Alon Orlitsky

• Design and maintenance for the 2023 ITA Conference website frontend and backend on a React and Django stack.

PROJECTS

Software Development

• Designed and Developed a Custom CRUD Database Management System from scratch on a C++ backend. [O/link]

Computer Vision/ Artificial Intelligence

- Implemented and trained a model for text-to-audio Latent Diffusion Model (AudioLDM) and VAE for medical image generation.
- Developed a pipeline for **pose detection** of objects in **3-D camera scenes** using a combination of **PointNet and ICP**. [O/link]
- Developed Seq2Seq NLT model(using Attention and Transformer model), Image Captioning and Image Classification models. 6/link
- Predicting vehicle pitch and yaw from dashboard mounted camera visual odometry using **DROID-SLAM and optical flow**.

Robotics

- Summer Research Assistant in the SASL lab working on Lifted Koopman Controls under Prof. Sylvia Herbert.
- Implemented **SLAM** for automobile (**visual inertial**), differential drive robot (**Particle Filter**) and camera tracking optimisation.[**Q**/link]
- Undergraduate Thesis on **Hybrid Motion Planning in 3-D environments for UAVs** on aircraft guidance and motion planning. [\(\frac{1}{2}\)/link]
- Second Position in the IGVC Autonomous Vehicle Challenge for designing an autonomous bot for an obstacle course

EDUCATION

University of California San Diego

Mar 2024

Master of Science in Electrical and Computer Engineering (Intelligent Systems Robotics and Control)

Coursework: Software Foundations II | Deep Generative Models | Deep Learning for 3-D Data | Statistical Learning | Sensing and Estimation in Robotics | GPU Programming | Mathematics for Machine Learning

Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Madras

May 2021

Bachelor of Technology in Robotics, Engineering

Coursework: Fundamentals of Deep Learning | Probability, Statistics and Stochastic Process | Introduction to Data Analytics | Introduction to Robotics | Basic Graph Theory | Mechanics and Control of Serial Robots