

Carlos Cardoso

EMBEDDED & ROBOTICS SOFTWARE ENGINEER · ELECTRICAL ENGINEER

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“Progress is not achieved by luck or accident, but by working on yourself daily.”

Education

Tecnico Lisboa(Instituto Superior Técnico)

Lisboa, Portugal

M.Sc. IN ELECTRICAL AND COMPUTER ENGINEERING

2016

- Dissertation title: *Robot Skills: From Imitation to Exploration Learning*: (Dynamic Movement Primitives and Reinforcement Learning for a Ping Pong playing Robot).
- **Primary Specialization: Systems, Decision and Control** - Relevant Coursework: Artificial Intelligence and Decision Systems, Machine Learning, Optimization and Algorithms, Modeling Identification and Digital Control, Robotics, Autonomous Systems
- **Secondary Specialization: Computers** - Relevant Coursework: Object Oriented Programming, Parallel and Distributed Computing, Hardware-Software Co-Project

Tecnico Lisboa(Instituto Superior Técnico)

Lisboa, Portugal

B.Sc. IN ELECTRICAL AND COMPUTER ENGINEERING

2013

Skills

Machine-learning

Gaussian Processes, Deep Learning, Kalman Filters, Motion Primitives

Robotics-software

OpenRAVE, ROS, YARP, Gazebo, Pybullet, OpenCV

Robotics-hardware

iCub, Vizzy, Kinova, CoBOT, Biorob

Embedded-development

ARM, I2C, Serial, One Wire

Embedded-peripherals

iButton, Fingerprint, EEPROMs, RTC, GPS, NFC, LCD, ePaper, motors, accelerometers, light sensors

Programming

C++, Python, Julia, Java, Rust, LaTeX, Linux, git, bash

Languages

Portuguese, English

Experience

VisLab ISR/Instituto Superior Tecnico

Lisboa, Portugal

PHD CANDIDATE

Oct. 2016 - Current

- Researched physical Human-Robot interaction with tactile sensing for object handover.
- Worked with various simulation environments (gazebo, pybullet, icubsim) and real robotic platforms (biorob, Vizzy, iCub, Kinova).
- Supervised BsC and MsC students in research projects (CoLabs).
Courses:
- Convex Optimization (19/20)
- Deep Structured Learning (17/20)
- Statistical Learning (17/20)
- Outreach and Teaching Skills (17/20)

Instituto Superior Tecnico

Lisboa, Portugal

TEACHING ASSISTANT

Oct. 2017 - Feb 2018

- Masters level course on Real Time Distributed Control Systems (SCDTR).
- Created evaluation sheet generator (in javascript), that automatically fetches student information from the university's database
- Helped students with different backgrounds (Electrical Eng. and Aerospace Eng.)
- Helped students develop a system for controlling lights according to distributed luminance sensor readings
- Evaluated the students final projects

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EMBEDDED SOFTWARE ENGINEER

Mafra, Portugal

Jan. 2016 - Aug. 2016

- Developed the firmware for IOT systems, particularly Cash-in-Transit (CIT) systems with ink protection.
- Integrated various sensors (*light, temperature, impact, accelerometers, integrity*)
- Worked with I2C and Serial peripherals including (*iButton, fingerprint readers, EEPROMs, RTC, GPS, NFC, LCD, ePaper*) and GSM communications (*3G data and SMS*)
- Used low level C++ code, running directly in a ARM microprocessors and Python for automating build systems and system configurations
- Proposed and implemented creative software solutions such as: Behavior Trees for graphical customization of business logic; Fast Fourier Transforms of accelerometer signal to detect Siren malfunctions in the field; Step-counter using the accelerometer signal for classifying CIT transport mode (walking/stationary/vehicle)
- I got to work in a high responsibility position where I had to adapt to the customers changing requirements and deadlines
- The systems that I have developed are currently operating in over 10 countries.

VisLab ISR/Instituto Superior Tecnico

RESEARCH ASSISTANT

Lisboa, Portugal

Dec. 2014 - Dec. 2015

- Research assistant for the European project Poeticon++
- Investigated learning trajectories by demonstration for manipulation tasks in a humanoid robot (iCub) and a serial manipulator (Biorob).

Extracurricular Activity

Veni Vidi Vici Robotics Summer School 2015

STUDENT

Sestri Levante, Italy

2015

- Robotics Summer School focusing on software engineering for humanoid robots, particularly for the iCub and COMAN robots.

Lucia Robotiscs Winter School 2016

STUDENT

Orebro, Sweden

2016

- The 3rd Orebro Winter School on AI and Robotics.

Orquestra de Foles/APEDGF

MEMBER

Lisboa, Portugal

2019

- Played traditional Portuguese/Galician Bagpipes.

- See also my side projects at carlos-cardoso.github.io/projects 

Writing and Presentations

IEEE-RAS ICRA 2015

FIRST AUTHOR

Seattle, USA.

2015

- C. Cardoso, L. Jamone and A. Bernardino, A novel approach to dynamic movement imitation based on quadratic programming.

IEEE-RAS ICARSC 2017

FIRST AUTHOR

Coimbra, Portugal.

2017

- C. Cardoso and A. Bernardino, Adaptive Non-Maximal Suppression Filtering for Online Exploration Learning with Cost-Regularized Kernel Regression.

Workshop at RO-MAN 2017

CO-AUTHOR

Lisboa, Portugal.

2017

- Avelino, Joao, Paulino, Tiago, Cardoso, Carlos, Nunes, Ricardo, Moreno, Plinio and Bernardino, Alexandre. "Human-aware natural handshaking using tactile sensors for Vizzy, a social robot."

Paladyn Journal of Behavioral Robotics 2018

CO-AUTHOR

2018

- Avelino, João, Paulino, Tiago, Cardoso, Carlos, Nunes, Ricardo, Moreno, Plinio and Bernardino, Alexandre. "Towards natural handshakes for social robots: human-aware hand grasps using tactile sensors."

IEEE ICDL-EpiRob 2019

CO-FIRST AUTHOR

Oslo, Norway

2019

- A. Dehban*, C. Cardoso*, P. Vicente, A. Bernardino and J. Santos-Victor, "Robotic Interactive Physics Parameters Estimator (RIPPE)," (* equal contribution)

EgoVIP workshop at IROS 2021

FIRST AUTHOR

Prague, Czech Republic

2021

- C. Cardoso*, A. Bernardino, "Bayesian Interaction Primitives for Robot to Human Handover with Giver-Egocentric Observations"