# Hao Cheam

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# **EDUCATION**

## University of Massachusetts Amherst

MS in Computer Science; GPA: 3.6/4.0

Aug 2018 - May 2020

Courses: Computer Vision, Machine Learning, Robotics, Artificial Intelligence, Reinforcement Learning, Neural Networks

## The University of Texas at Austin

BS in Electrical and Computer Engineering (Honors; Minor in French); GPA: 3.8/4.0

Aug 2011 - May 2015

#### **PROJECTS**

## Deep Learning Pokemon Classifier

- Trained a 7 layer Convolutional Neural Network (CNN) in Python using Keras and Tensorflow on a dataset of about 1400 pokemon images. Obtained accuracy of about 93% over 6 classes
- The dataset was collected using the Microsoft Azure Bing Image Search API

## Mini Self-Driving Car

- Built a mini self-driving car using Arduino Uno and Raspberry Pi, for a year-long team course project
- Wrote Dijkstra's shortest path algorithm in Python to solve path planning
- Implemented vision-based lane detection with HSV thresholding in Python

## Non-Data-Driven Method of Learning Facets in Object Tracking

- Employed SIFT matching and mean-shift tracking on color histogram to track an object
- Facets are stored during tracking to augment the reference image database
- Allows tracking of an object after the object has been reintroduced into the scene while showing a different facet

# Grid Pathfinding with A\* and Jump Point Search

• Implemented A\* with Jump Point Search in C++ to solve a grid pathfinding problem

### High Confidence Policy Improvement (Reinforcement Learning)

• Using importance sampling, produced stochastic policies written in C++ that outperformed the behavior policy for an adaptive insulin advisor

#### Voice Control of Switchable Privacy Glass with Alexa

- Designed an embedded system to enable voice control of a switchable privacy glass
- Interfaced an ESP8266 microcontroller (MCU) in C++ to communicate with Amazon Echo

#### EXPERIENCE

## **Data Center Engineer**

Powerware Systems

Aug 2017 - Jun 2018 Selangor, Malaysia

- Designed and built temperature/humidity monitoring systems as part of a 3 person team
- Created shop drawings of electrical panels in AutoCAD, planned cable routing, and built electrical panels
- Introduced a documentation system for in-house processes, reducing the time spent on knowledge transfer
- Wrote a C++ program to automate the conversion of 64 bit hex to floating point for Modbus application
- Converted a switchable privacy glass to be voice-controlled, increasing the company's attractiveness to clients

#### Graduate Research Assistant

 $Aug\ 2015$  -  $Dec\ 2016$ 

ECE Department, The University of Texas at Austin

Austin, TX

• Researched full-duplex radio as part of a 4 person pre-startup team. Ported MATLAB to C

## SKILLS

**Programming Languages:** Python, C++, C

Frameworks/Tools: OpenCV, PyTorch, Keras, Linux, Git

Languages: Chinese (Fluent), Malay (Intermediate), French (Intermediate)

### CERTIFICATIONS

• Business Foundations Series for Scientists and Engineers (8 weeks, Summer 2019)