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EXPERIENCE

Post Doc - IIT

COgNiTive Architectures for Collaborative Technologies

Feb 2022 - Present

♀ Genova, Italy

Proactive Memory iN AI for Development

Develop a bio-inspired cognitive architecture enabling the RB-Kairos rover (Robotnik) with context spatial awareness and working functional memory to ensure the safety of human workers in industrial environment. [ROS, Python]

PhD Candidate - IIT

RBCS and ICT Departments

Mov 2018 - July 2022

♀ Genova, Italy

Cyber Security and Social Engineering in Human-Robot Interaction.

Machine-learning based real-time evaluation of pupillometry, heart rate and electrodermal activity to predict the compliance with Social Engineering attacks, and detect human deception in human-robot interaction with Machine Learning models. [YARP, Python, C++]

Big Data Engineer

Milan and Bologna, Italy

Design and development of architectures for the management and real-time processing of Big Data in the vehicle insurance field. [Python, Scala, Spark, DevOps, Cloudera CDH]

TECHNICAL SKILLS

- Python, C++, Scala, Java, C#, C, Prolog.
- Keras, Tensorflow, PyTorch, OpenCV, YARP, Cloudera CDH, Spark, Ansible, Jenkins, ROS, YARP

PERSONAL SKILLS

- Team-working and passion toward mentoring and leadership
- Extremely curious and always eager to expand my knowledge
- Initiative-taker in problem solving and used to lateral thinking

HOBBIES

Miniature painting, Beer homebrewing, Cooking

ACHIEVEMENTS

Successfully planning my wedding and leading the renovation of my future house, while doing a PhD in a different city, during the pandemic.

EDUCATION

PhD in Bioengineering and Robotics Istituto Italiano di Tecnologia & University of Genova

International Doctorate summa cum laude

BSc & MSc in Computer Engineering University of Bologna

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MSc: 110/110 summa cum laude

BSc: 101/110

PROJECTS

Lie Detection in HRI

 Machine Learning model to autonomously detect lies based on a real-time pupillometrybased cognitive load evaluation. Implemented on the humanoid robot iCub and tested both in a lab and in real-environments (Maker Faire Rome 2022) leveraging interactive online learning.

Social Engineering Adventure (SEA)

 Python textual adventure to challenge players against Social Engineering threats. Real-time control of the humanoid robot iCub (in C++). Multi-modal acquisition and processing of physiological data from an Eyelink 1000, a Tobii Pro Glasses 2 and a Shimmer3 GSR+, used to predict humans' compliance.

Adventurer Robot Companion (ARC)

 Evolution of the SEA project developed during a Visiting Research period at the University of Waterloo (Canada). Exploration of different intervention strategies to prevent humans' compliance using the Furhat robot.

Unreliable Treasure Hunt

On-the-wild human-robot interaction to analyse the building and evolution of trust between a human and a robot. Participants have to find 6 eggs hidden in a room, asking hints to iCub which eventually show technical failures.

Endless Upgrade

 Master's Degree dissertation project @ Data Reply. I used DevOps principles and tools (Ansible, Terraform, Jenkins) to fully automatise the development and deployment process of a movie recommendation service in a Big Data ecosystem.

ORGANIZED EVENTS

- Pasquali, Dario et al. (July 2024). GROUND Workshop advancing GROup UNderstanding and robots' aDaptive behavior. Delft, Netherlands. DOI: https://ground-hri.github.io/workshop/.
- - (Aug. 2023). GROUND Workshop advancing GROup UNderstanding and robots' aDaptive behavior. Busan, South Corea. DOI: https://ground-hri.github.io/workshop/1stEditionROMAN2023.

PUBLICATIONS

■ Journal

- Jasmin, Bernotat et al. (n.d.). "[SUBMITTED] Remember me User-Centered Implementation and Training of Robot Working Memory for HRI in Industrial Settings". In: Frontiers in Robotics and AI ().
- Alexander, Aroyo M. et al. (July 2021). "Expectations Vs. Reality: Unreliability and Transparency in a Treasure Hunt Game with iCub". In: *IEEE Robot*. Autom. Lett. 6.3, pp. 5681–5688. ISSN: 23773766. DOI: 10.1109/LRA.2021.3083465.
- Pasquali Dario, Gonzalez-Billandon Jonas, Aroyo Mois Alexander, et al. (Nov. 2021). "Detecting Lies is a Child (Robot)'s Play: Gaze-Based Lie Detection in HRI". in: *Int. J. Soc. Robot.* 2021, pp. 1–16. ISSN: 1875-4805. DOI: 10.1007/S12369-021-00822-5.
- Jonas, Gonzalez-Billandon et al. (July 2019). "Can a Robot Catch You Lying? A Machine Learning System to Detect Lies During Interactions". In: *Frontiers in Robotics and Al* 6, p. 64. ISSN: 2296-9144. DOI: 10.3389/frobt.2019.00064.

Conference Proceedings

- Pasquali Dario, Kothig Austin, et al. (Dec. 2023). "That's not a Good Idea: A Robot Changes Your Behavior Against Social Engineering". In: ACM Int. Conf. Human-Agent Interaction (HAI 2023).
- Pasquali Dario, Landolfi Lorenzo, et al. (Aug. 2023). "Working Memory-Based Architecture for Human-Aware Navigation in Industrial Settings". In: ACM/IEEE Int. Conf. Robot and Human Interactive Communication (RO-MAN 2023).
- Pasquali Dario, Rea Francesco, and Sciutti Alessandra (Nov. 2022). "Detecting Lies in the Wild: Creativity and Learning @ the Maker Faire Rome". In: AI*IA 2022 1st Workshop on Artificial Intelligence and Creativity (CREAI2022). CEUR-WS.
- Pasquali Dario, Gaggero Davide, et al. (Nov. 2021). "Human vs Robot Lie Detector: Better Working as a Team?" In: ACM/IEEE Int. Conf. on Social Robotics (ICSR). Springer, Cham. DOI: 10.1007/978-3-030-90525-5_14
- Pasquali Dario, Gonzalez-Billandon Jonas, Rea Francesco, et al. (Mar. 2021). "Magic iCub: A humanoid robot autonomously catching your lies in a card game". In: ACM/IEEE Int. Conf. Human-Robot Interact. IEEE Computer Society, pp. 293–302. ISBN: 9781450382892. DOI: 10.1145/3434073.3444682.
- Alexander, Aroyo M. et al. (2020). "Perceived differences between on-line and real robotic failures". In: RO-MAN 2020 Trust. Accept. Soc. Cues Human-Robot Interact. SCRITA.
- Pasquali Dario, Aroyo Mois Alexander, et al. (Mar. 2020). "Your eyes never lie: A robot magician can tell if you are lying". In: IEEE Computer Society, pp. 392–394. ISBN: 9781450370578. DOI: 10.1145/3371382. 3378253.
- Pasquali Dario, M. Aroyo Alexander, et al. (Mar. 2020). "Do You See the Magic? An Autonomous Robot Magician Can Read Your Mind". In: ACM/IEEE Int. Conf. Human-Robot Interact. Workshop on Creative Content on Social Robotics.