ELLE SZABO

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EDUCATION

University of Southern California

Los Angeles, CA

B.S. in Computer Science

May 2023 (Expected)

• Major GPA: 4.00/4.00

• Activites: Treasurer at VEX Robotics USC, Track Club

EXPERIENCE

$Microsoft \mid C/C++, PowerShell$

May 2021 - July 2021

Software Engineer Intern

Redmond, WA

• Created a proof-of-concept search indexing system to replace Windows' pre-relational-database indexer

• Proved the efficiency of 5 types of file metadata inclusion, will be rolled out on > 1 billion devices

NASA Jet Propulsion Laboratory | ROS, Gazebo, Linux, librealsense

Sept 2020 - Jan 2021

Software Engineer Intern

Pasadena, CA

• Developed a simulation pipeline with ROS and Gazebo for an autonomous inspection rover

• Expedited the simulation boot by 22% by creating a custom physics engine plugin

Lucid Circuit | OpenCV, Makefile, Python, Keras, numpy, Linux Software Engineer Intern May 2020 - Jan 2021

Santa Monica, CA

• Simulated a machine learning model for satellite telemetry using TensorBoard Lite visuals

• Programmed a statically linked OpenCV to demo the custom architecture's object tracking to client

SELECTED PROJECTS

Vision and Language Navigation | Python, OpenAI Gym, PyTorch, Flask

Aug 2022 – Present

- Conducting CoRL-aimed research on machine learning for robotic navigation with language and vision inputs
- Research under Jesse Thomason in ICAROS Laboratory

VR Therapy for Alzheimer's | C#, Unity, OpenAI API

Feb 2023

Developed an app for Oculus Quest to converse with an avatar, save stories, summarize, and generate images

Multi-Headed Encoder-Decoder Model | matplotlib, PyTorch, sklearn, numpy, conda

Nov 2022

• Implemented an Encoder-Decoder model that takes in ALFRED instructions for an entire episode and predicts the sequence of corresponding, high-level actions and target objects

Autonomous Robot | YOLO5V, Roboflow

Aug 2021 – May 2022

- \bullet Programmed vision-based autonomous scoring using an optical sensor to place rings on the goals' branches
- Created data frame to capture RGB-D images and perform custom object recognition with YOLO5V

PyRibs | Python, JAX, numba, numpy, OpenAI Gym

May 2022 – June 2022

- Main contributor to PyRibs, an open-source Python library for exploring latent space of machine learning models
- Research under Stefanos Nikolaidis in ICAROS Laboratory

AWARDS/HONORS

2nd Skills in World, Think Award

2022 VEX Robotics World Championship

- As programming lead on team of 5, scored 2^{nd} of world's top 72 teams in skills
- Earned Think award for innovative use of autonomous optical scoring sensor

Presidential and University Scholarship Recipient

University of Southern California

• One of 200 chosen out of 64,000 applicants for a half-tuition merit scholarship plus \$4000 award

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Languages: Python, C/C++, SQL, Swift, C#, JavaScript, Java, HTML/CSS, Latex

Platforms: ROS, Linux, Raspberry Pi, Powershell, Heroku, Unity, Make, OpenAI Gym, Docker

Libraries/Tools: PyTorch, OpenCV, Numba, JAX, conda, Keras, Flask, TensorFlow, TFLite, Firebase, Stripe, GTest, Boost, rtabmap, TESSERACT, AWS, OpenAI API

For a layout of all of my projects, please visit my Website.