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Research Scientist

Temasek Lab. @ NUS

Employment History

Research scientist Singapore

Neuromorphic group at Temasek Lab. @ NUS

2017 - today

29 years old

Car driving license

- Started to work on Spiking Neural Network for robotic Navigation
- Worked on algorithms for Visual Odometry and obstacle avoidance using event-based sensors
- Involved in aerial and ground robot designs

PhD student Marseille, FR

Biorobotics team at the Institute of Movement Sciences, Aix-Marseille University 2012 - 2017

- Designed bio-inspired visual algorithm for target tracking application and visual odometry
- Implemented of a controller for mobile robot positionning
- Involved in the RT-MaG project: a Matlab toolbox to program Real-Time application on Computer-on-Module running a Linux OS
- Teachings: Introduction to engineering design and kinematic modelling
 Practical work on GRAFCET and assembler programming

Intern Cologne, GER

Bertrandt GmbH, Powertrain dept.

2012

- Worked on the development of an engine management software for a 2-stroke Diesel engine prototype
- Created and validated models for a cooling system with GT-Suite for Ford GmbH

Intern Bièvres, FR

Bertrandt SA, Powertrain dept.

2011

- Analyzed data for a wearing study of piston rings and rod bearings using Thin Layer Activation test method (for Renault SA)
- Worked on an engine cooling strategies using Flowmaster with a German team

Education

PhD in bio-inspired robotics

Marseille, FR

Biorobotics team at the Institute of Movement Sciences, Aix-Marseille University

2017

- Thesis title: Hyperacute artificial compound eye: robotic applications to Stabilization and Pursuit
- MSc in Automotive engineering with a specialization in Embedded Systems ESTACA, a transport engineering school (www.estaca.fr)

Laval, FR

2012

Projects:

 Modelling of an electrical powertrain with a CVT in Matlab&Simulink with physical test validation Development of a supervising function for an electrical powertrain:

Creation of a torque structure

Design of a Battery Management System in collaboration with Saft batteries

Test with rapid prototyping tools (Motohawk)

French Scientific baccalaureate

Lycée Notre Dame de Bonnes Nouvelles

Beaupréau, FR 2007

- Option Engineering Sciences and specialized in Physics
- Graduated with honours

Computer skills

• Programming Languages

- Expert: C, Matlab, LATEX, VBA (macro Excel)

- Intermediate: C++, C#

• Embedded System

- Linux programming: ROS, Git

- Embedded Linux (Yocto Project, bitbake, Preempt-RT, Xenomai)

Computer-on-Module (Gumstix, Raspberry Pi)

Microcontrollers programming (PIC Microchip, arduino)

• Simulation Software: Matlab & Simulink, GT-suite, Flowmaster

• CAD Software: Solidworks, Catia V5

• Others: Microsoft Office Suite, Adobe Premier, Inkscape

Languages

• French: Mother tongue

English: Fluent (TOEIC 920/990 in 2010)

• German: Basic

Interests & Activities

• Sport: Running (Semi-marathon and trail running), swimming and rock climbing

Others: Interested in mechanics (car maintenance, motorbike reconditioning) and DIY

Publications

Journals

- **F. Colonnier**, S. Ramírez-Martinez, S. Viollet and F. Ruffier, (2019), "A bio-inspired sighted robot chases like a hoverfly", *Bioinspiration & Biomimetics*
- T. Raharijaona, R. Mawonou, T.V. Nguyen, **F. Colonnier**, M. Boyron, J.Diperi and S. Viollet, (2017), "Local Positioning System Using Flickering Infrared LEDs", *Sensors*
- **F. Colonnier**, A. Manecy. R. Juston, H. Mallot, R. Leitel, D. Floreano and S. Viollet, (2015). "A small-scale hyperacute compound eye featuring active eye tremor: application to visual stabilization, target tracking, and short-range odometry", *Bioinspiration & Biomimetics*
- S. Viollet, S. Godiot, R. Leitel, W. Buss, P. Breugnon, M. Menouni, R. Juston, F. Expert, **F. Colonnier**, G. L'Eplattenier, A. Brückner, F. Kraze, H. Mallot, N. Franceschini, R. Pericet-Camara, F. Ruffier, and D. Floreano, (2014). "Hardware Architecture and Cutting-Edge Assembly Process of a Tiny Curved Compound Eye", *Sensors*
- F.L. Roubieu, J.R. Serres, **F. Colonnier**, N. Franceschini, S. Viollet and F. Ruffier, (2014). "A biomimetic vision-based hovercraft accounts for bees' complex behaviour in various corridors", *Bioinspiration & Biomimetics*

Patents

S. Viollet, **F. Colonnier** and E. Vanhoutte, "Système de mesure de la distance d'un obstacle par flux optique", *European patent* (published n° WO2017FR52739)

Conferences

- **F. Colonnier**, L. Della Vedova, Rodney Swee Huat Teo and Garrick Orchard, "Visual Odometry and Low Optic Flow Measurement by Means of a Vibrating Artificial Compound Eye", Australasian conference on Robotics and Automation (*ACRA*), Lincoln, New Zealand, December 4-6, 2018
- **F. Colonnier**, A. Manecy, R. Juston and S. Viollet, "Visual Odometry and Low Optic Flow Measurement by Means of a Vibrating Artificial Compound Eye", pages 153-163. Biomimetic and Biohybrid Systems: 4th International Conference, Living Machines 2015, Barcelona, Spain, July 28 31, 2015, Proceedings *Springer International Publishing*

Valentino Braitenberg award - Best talk prize

Workshop presentations

- A. Manecy, E. Vanhoutte, S. Mafrica, **F. Colonnier**, F. Ruffier, N. Marchand and S. Viollet, "X4-MaG and RT-MaG: a low-cost open-source micro-quadrotor based on Real-Time Linux and a new Matlab/Simulink toolbox", *IROS Aerial Open Source Robotics Workshop*, 2015
- **F. Colonnier**, A. Manecy, R. Juston and S. Viollet, "Hyperacuity: Application to visual stabilization", *IROS Vision-Based Control and Navigation of Small, Light-Weight UAVs Workshop*, 2015

Other Oral Presentations

- **F. Colonnier** and S. Viollet, "Mecanum Wheel Robot: Presentation and application", TechDays 2016, 4ème journées technologiques Robotex, IRCCyN, Nantes (France), September 2016.
- **F. Colonnier**, "Demonstration of CurvACE (Curved Artificial Compound Eye)", 2nd Workshop on Multi Unmanned Vehicles Systems, Compiègne (France), July 2014
- **F. Colonnier**, "Demonstration of CurvACE (Curved Artificial Compound Eye)", 2nd Workshop on Research, Education and Development of UAS, Compiègne (France), November 2013

- A. Manecy and **F. Colonnier**, "Présentation de la plateforme ROBOTEX : Arène de vol", TechDays 2013, 1ère journées technologiques Robotex, LAAS, Toulouse (France), July 2013
- A. Manecy, G. Sanahuja, J. Dumon, F. Elisei and **F. Colonnier**, "Session thématique : Systèmes de capture du mouvement", TechDays 2013, 1ère journées technologiques Robotex, LAAS, Toulouse (France), July 2013