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PROFILE

I am currently affiliated to Swiss Cobotics Competence Center (S3C) in Biel as technical project manager. I received my Ph.D. degree in robotics at Ecole Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne (EPFL) and Idiap Research Institute supervised by Dr. Sylvain Calinon. My research focuses on optimization and active iterative refinement of feedback and feedforward control policies for acquiring robust and anticipatory robot skills from demonstration.

EDUCATION

Ph.D. <i>Robotics</i>	2018 – 2023
Ecole Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne (EPFL)	Lausanne, Switzerland
Bachelor of Science <i>Mechanical Engineering</i> Bogazici University, Entrance rank: 0.13%, GPA: 3.90/4.0	2012 – 2017 Istanbul, Turkey
Exchange semester Mechanical Engineering Ecole Centrale Paris	2014 – 2015 Paris, France
Francophone Highschool	2007 – 2012
Lycée de Galatasaray, Entrance rank: 0.06% GPA: 85.84/100	Istanbul, Turkey

WORK EXPERIENCE

Technical Project Manager

2023 –

Swiss Cobotics Competence Center (S3C)

Biel, Switzerland

- Responsible for adaptation of collaborative base cells (CBCs) for industrial manufacturing applications
- Providing webinars, testing, training and consultancy services to researchers, integrators and industrial end-users of cobots.

Ph.D. Research Assistant

2018 - 2023

Idiap Research Institute, Robot Learning and Interaction Group

Martigny, Switzerland

- Ph.D. research supervised by Dr. Sylvain Calinon
- Worked on EU-Horizon2020 project CoLLaboratE

Teaching Assistant

2020-2022

Robotics Course, AI-Master Programme, Unidistance

Martigny, Switzerland

• Preparation of exercises in Jupyter notebooks with ROS and in html formats

Bachelor Research Assistant

2017 - 2018

Bogazici University Cognitive Robotics and Learning Systems Lab (CoLoRs)

Istanbul, Turkey

- Assistance to Dr. Emre Ugur in forming CoLoRs lab
- Worked on EU-Horizon 2020 project, IMAGINE

Product Definition Engineering Intern

2015 - 2016

General Electric Aviation

Istanbul, Turkey

System Engineering Intern

2016

ALTINAY Aerospace & Advanced Technologies

Istanbul, Turkey

SKILLS

Languages: Turkish (Native), English (Proficient), French (Proficient), Japanese (B1), Italian (A1), German (A1)

Programming: Python, Jupyter, MATLAB, Tensorflow, PyTorch

Software: ROS, PyBullet, KDL

PUBLICATIONS		
Demonstration-guided Optimal Control for Long-term Non-prehensile Planar Manipulation T. Xue, H. Girgin, T. Lembono, S. Calinon, In Proc. IEEE Intl Conf. on Robotics and Automation	on ICRA 2023	
	ICKA 2023	
Reactive Anticipatory Robot Skills with Memory H. Girgin, J. Jankowski, S. Calinon, International Symposium on Robotics Research	ISRR 2022	
Optimization of robot configurations for motion planning in industrial riveting H. Girgin, T. Lembono, R. Cirligeanu, S. Calinon, In Proc. IEEE Intl Conf. on Advanced Robotics	ICAR 2021	
Active Learning of Bayesian Probabilistic Movement Primitives T. Kulak, H. Girgin, JM. Odobez, S. Calinon, IEEE Robotics and Automation Letters	RAL 2021	
Probabilistic Adaptive Control for Robust Behavior Imitation J. Jankowski, H. Girgin, S. Calinon, IEEE Robotics and Automation Letters	RAL 2021	
Active Improvement of Control Policies with Bayesian Gaussian Mixture Model H. Girgin, E. Pignat, N. Jaquier, S. Calinon, IEEE Intl. Conf. on Intelligent Robots and Systems	IROS 2020	
Generative Adversarial Training of Product of Policies for Robust and Adaptive Movement Primitives E. Pignat, H. Girgin, S. Calinon, In Proc. Conference on Robot Learning CoRL 2020		
Compliant Parametric Dynamic Movement Primitives E. Ugur, H. Girgin, Robotica, 38(3), pp. 457-474	Robotica 2020	
Associative Skill Memory Models H. Girgin, E. Ugur, IEEE Intl. Conf. on Intelligent Robots and Systems	IROS 2018	