Kaustav Mukherjee

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EDUCATION

Carnegie Mellon University (CMU)

Masters of Science in Computer Vision

Pittsburgh, USA Aug 2024 – Dec 2025

National University of Singapore (NUS)

Singapore

BEng in Mechanical Engineering, 2nd Major in Innovation and Design (First Class Honours) Aug

Aug 2020 - May 2024

Work Experience

Kaliber Labs

San Francisco, USA

AI Engineer

Jan 2024 - Jul 2024

- Fine-tuned Llama-3-8B on surgical data, achieving 84% of GPT-4o's performance for 2% of the operational cost
- Accelerated convergence of camera pose estimation algorithm by 10 times with particle swarm optimization (PSO)
- Developed intra-operative camera registration algorithm taking under 10 seconds utilizing neural radiance fields
- \bullet Implemented methods for digital linear and geodesic measurements between points with above 90% accuracy

Software Engineering Intern

Jan 2023 - Dec 2023

- Spearheaded development and prompt engineering for a new multi-modal patient chat-bot combining surgical image model outputs, RAG with patient data, and LLMs with Flask, NextJS, AWS, and Langchain
- Fine-tuned stable diffusion to generate synthetic training data, expanding surgical tool datasets by up to 5 times
- \bullet Employed synthetic data generation and augmentation to train multiple image classifiers to above 97% accuracy
- Trained pix2pix for modality conversion and added interpolation pipeline to multiply MRI dataset size by 10 times

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Singapore

Systems Engineering Intern

May 2022 - Oct 2022

- Programmed Lua scripts and modified Ardupilot code for additional safety and control features
- Led team of 3 to overhaul drone communication system, increasing drone delivery consistency to over 95%
- Set up simulation-in-the-loop with Ardupilot, enabling diagnosis of a critical bug in under 4 hours after a crash

Scifie Robotics

Singapore

Robotics Engineering Intern

Mar 2021 - Aug 2021

- Tested use of Nvidia Jetson Nano for computer-vision-based navigation with Tensorflow and PyTorch
- Prototyped and designed a 10 kPSI nozzle and magnetic mounting bracket for under 50% the cost of stock parts

LEADERSHIP

F-Drones

Chief Engineer | Team AeroNUS

Jul 2021 – Apr 2022

- Led team of 10 to create an aeroplane for the AIAA DBF 2022 competition, achieving NUS's highest report score
- Created a Multi-Disciplinary Design Optimization (MDO) program on MATLAB to determine plane sizing, calculating flight characteristics for over 100000 planes with 4 independent variables and over 20 outputs
- Established training program for future team, improved next year's overall ranking by 15 spots

PROJECTS

Neural Plane Optimization | Python, Keras, Matlab, Non-Differentiable Optimization

Apr 2024 – May 2024

- Utilized a neural network and PSO to speed up a pre-existing aeroplane optimization program over 100 times
- Increased design space by over 1000 times by training a DNN with Keras for 2D to 3D aerodynamic estimation

Vidi | Python, YOLOv8, Prompt Engineering, Multiprocessing

Jun 2023

- Designed glasses in a team of 2 to aid blind individuals with a Raspberry Pi, speaker, microphone, and camera
- Wrote software to simultaneously process sensor inputs and outputs using YOLOv8, GPT-4, and multiprocessing

PPE Detection with Invigilo AI | Python, PyTorch, YOLOv5, OpenCV

Aug 2021 - Nov 2021

• Fine-tuned YOLOv5 for helmet, vest, ladder, and platform detection in construction sites for startup Invigilo AI, improving performance over raw images by 58% through OpenCV image grey scaling and histogram equalization

SKILLS

Machine Learning and Computer Vision: PyTorch, Tensorflow, Keras, NumPy, OpenCV, Prompt Engineering, LLM Fine-tuning, Image Generation and Classification, Non-Differentiable Optimization Software Engineering: Python, JavaScript, C++, React, Flask, NextJS, AWS, Linux, Git