# SHYNGYSKHAN ABILKASSOV

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## **EDUCATION**

# Nazarbayev University, Astana

August 2017 - May 2021

BSc in Robotics and Mechatronics, Minor in Computer Science.

Overall GPA: 3.76, Top 5%

School of Engineering and Digital Sciences Student Council Representative

#### WORK EXPERIENCE

#### Google Summer of Code, JdeRobot

May 2019 - August 2019

Open Source developer

- · Developed indoors localization, goal navigation, item pick-and-place logic, and resting behaviour for full scale autonomous task completion for warehouse robot
- · Improved local navigation task performance for robot in complex interior environment. Robot reaches desired destination **2 times faster** than previous implementation
- · Integrated proper transformations for sensor frames, introduced proper ROS topics messaging and naming, and integrated SLAM, AMCL, Navigation stack ROS packages into the Gazebo robot model

#### **ALARIS** Laboratory

December 2018 - September 2019

Research Assistant at Autonomous Truck development project

- · Integrated ROS messaging for LiDAR, Camera, IMU, GPS for remote data acquisition and control of simulation truck model
- · Generated a map based on Odometry, LaserScan data using SLAM algorithm
- · Implemented topic data subscription and publishment for non-ROS environment through **sockets and** Flask REST service for data visualization on web interfaces.

# Zerde National Infocommunication Holding

April 2018 - July 2018

Software Engineer Intern

- $\cdot$  Developed user-interface for search and export of documents using Elastic Search in MongoDB database.
- · Implemented user activity monitoring web service in internal portal, and designed and created both **REST service and admin interface** using *AngularJS and Java Spring*.

#### **PROJECTS**

# **Distracted Driver Posture Classification**

Retrained ResNet50 network, previously pretrained on ImageNet using transfer learning. classifies the activity of the driver and estimates their distraction level.

#### ai.ball

Conversational Telegram chat-bot which uses Naive Bayes algorithm for NLP, Yandex SpeechKit for speech recognition and synthesis and multiple Flask micro-services for API calls to various services

#### Ashyq Hattar

Both IOS and Android application in Kazakh developed for ease of elder population for image search, generation and sharing written on React Native. 700+ downloads. Mentioned in Forbes, Informburo.

# SearchForMe

Telegram chat-bot on Python which searches and scrapes information from Google, Yandex, Mail.ru, and Rambler. SearchBot constantly monitors all current ratings and informs users about changes in result positions for their inputs.

## **ACHIEVEMENTS**

1st place in HackNU International Hackathon 2019, BTS Digital case

2nd place in Astana Innovations Challenge, Smart Services

2nd place in HackNU 2018, ZeroToOneLabs case

Fellow recipient of Bertelsmann Data Science Scholarship

Completed Data Science, Machine Learning (Ng), Neural Networks and Deep Learning courses

## **SKILLS**

Languages Python, Java, C, C++, JavaScript(Node.js)

Robotics ROS, Gazebo, OMPL, STM32 Microcontrollers, Raspberry PI

Tools & Technologies PyTorch, OpenCV, scikit-learn, Git, MATLAB

Databases NoSQL, GraphQL, Firebase