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## Education

#### The State University of New York at Buffalo

Buffalo, NY, United States

Ph.D in Computer Science and Engineering

Aug. 2014 - Present

SUPERVISOR: DR. NILS NAPP

**State University of Campinas** 

Campinas, SP, Brazil

M.S. IN COMPUTER SCIENCE

Jul. 2009 - Jul. 2011

Supervisor: Dr. Alexandre Xavier Falcão **State University of Pernambuco** 

Recife, PE, Brazil

B.S. IN COMPUTER ENGINEERING

Jul. 2004 - Jun. 2009

SUPERVISOR: DR. CARLOS ALEXANDRE BARROS DE MELLO

# Publications \_\_\_\_\_

- SABOIA, M., THANGAVELU, V. AND NAPP, N., AUTONOMOUS MULTI-MATERIAL CONSTRUCTION WITH A HETEROGENEOUS ROBOT TEAM. INT. SYMP. ON DISTRIBUTED AUTONOMOUS ROBOTIC SYSTEMS (DARS 2018)
- SABOIA, M., THANGAVELU, V., GOSRICH, W. AND NAPP, N., 2018. AUTONOMOUS ADAPTIVE MODIFICATION OF UNSTRUCTURED ENVIRONMENTS. ROBOTICS: SCIENCE AND SYSTEMS (RSS 2018)
- THANGAVELU, V., LIU, Y., **SABOIA, M.** AND NAPP, N., 2018, MAY. DRY STACKING FOR AUTOMATED CONSTRUCTION WITH IRREGULAR OBJECTS. IN 2018 IEEE INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON ROBOTICS AND AUTOMATION (PP. 1-9) (ICRA 2018)
- LIU, Y., SABOIA, M., SCHATZ, K., PAUL, M.J. AND NAPP, N., 2016. BIOMETRIC PATTERNS IN LONG-EVANS RATS FOR AUTOMATIC BEHAVIOR ANALYSIS. VISUAL OBSERVATION AND ANALYSIS OF VERTEBRATE AND INSECT BEHAVIOR, 2016, ICPR – INT. CONFERENCE ON PATTERN RECOGNITION, PP.25-28 (ICPR 2016)
- NEVES, R., MELLO, C.A.B., **SABOIA, M.** AND BEZERRA, B., 2009. THRESHOLDING THE COURTESY AMOUNT OF BRAZILIAN BANK CHECKS BASED ON TSALLIS ENTROPY. IEEE LATIN AMERICA TRANSACTIONS,7(6)
- NEVES, R.F., MELLO, C.A.B., **SABOIA, M.** AND BEZERRA, B.L., 2008, OCTOBER. A NEW ALGORITHM TO THRESHOLD THE COURTESY AMOUNT OF BRAZILIAN BANK CHECKS. IN SYSTEMS, MAN AND CYBERNETICS, 2008 (PP. 1226-1230) (IEEE SMC 2018)
- NEVES, R.F.P., MELLO, C.A.B., **SABOIA, M.** AND BEZERRA, B.L.D., 2008, JUNE. A NEW TECHNIQUE TO THRESHOLD THE COURTESY AMOUNT OF BRAZILIAN BANK CHECKS. IN SYSTEMS, SIGNALS AND IMAGE PROCESSING, 2008. IWSSIP 2008. 15TH INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON (PP. 93-96) (IWSSIP 2008)

# Scholarships & Awards \_\_\_\_\_

2018	Finalist, Best Systems Paper Award at the Robotics Conference: Science and Systems (RSS)	USA
2014-2018	PhD. Scholarship, Science without Borders - SwB/Laspau	USA
2009-2011	M.S Scholarship, São Paulo Research Foundation – FAPESP	Brazil
2006-2009	<b>B.S Scholarship</b> , National Council for Scientific and Technological Development – CNPQ	Brazil

# Presentations

# Autonomous Multi-Material Construction with a Heterogeneous Robot Team

CU Boulder, USA

The Rockefeller University, USA

Int. Symp. on Distributed Autonomous Robotic Systems (DARS)

2018

# SOCIAL EVOLUTION AND BEHAVIOR COURSE

2010

**Autonomous adaptive modification of unstructured environments**Women in Robotics IV Workshop at Robotics: Science and Systems (RSS)

CMU, USA 2018

# Dry Stacking Strategies for Autonomous Construction

MIT, USA

THE WHAT WITHOUT THE HOW: SPECIFYING PLANNING PROBLEMS IN ROBOTICS WORKSHOP

2017

AT ROBOTICS: SCIENCE AND SYSTEMS (RSS)

**Bio-Inspired Multi-Material Construction** 

## **Robotic System For Autonomous Construction Using Irregular found Objects**

Northeastern University, USA

POSTER AT NEW ENGLAND MANIPULATION SYMPOSIUM (NEMS)

2017

# **Research Projects**

#### **Adaptive Multi-Robot Autonomous Modification of Unstructured Environments**

PROPOSED METHODS TO PERFORM AUTONOMOUS CONSTRUCTION IN IRREGULAR TERRAIN AND DESIGNED A

HETEROGENEOUS ROBOTIC SYSTEM THAT ALLOWS EFFECTIVE EVALUATION OF THESE METHODS AT A PHYSICAL Buffalo, NY, USA

IMPLEMENTATION LEVEL. THE HETEROGENEOUS ROBOTIC TEAM IS COMPOSED OF TWO AUTONOMOUS ROBOTS THAT ARE ABLE TO MANIPULATE MATERIAL OF DIFFERENT PHYSICAL PROPERTIES (RIGID AND AMORPHOUS MATERIALS)

KEYWORDS: ROBOT DESIGN, SYSTEM DESIGN, AUTONOMY, MOTION PLANNING, TASK ALLOCATION, MANIPULATION, ROBOTIC VISION, BIO-INSPIRED

ROBOTICS

#### Strategies for Dry-Stacking Structures with Irregular Objects

PROPOSED AN ASSEMBLY PLANNING METHOD TO DRY STACK IRREGULAR RIGID OBJECTS IN A 2D SIMULATION Buffalo, NY, USA ENVIRONMENT, GIVEN A HIGH LEVEL TARGET STRUCTURE 2016-Present

KEYWORDS: AUTONOMOUS CONSTRUCTION, IRREGULAR OBJECTS, SIMULATION, GEOMETRICAL ANALYSIS, PHYSICAL ANALYSIS, DRY STACKING

## Deep Learning Based Automated Re-Identification Techniques of Biometric Color Patterns in **Long-Evans Rats**

PROPOSED A RE-IDENTIFICATION APPROACH FOR BEHAVIOUR ANALYSIS OF LONG-EVANS LAB RATS THAT COMBINES A DEEP Buffalo, NY, USA LEARNING CLASSIFIER WITH IMAGE SIMILARITY TECHNIQUES 2015-2016

KEYWORDS: DEEP LEARNING, SIAMESE NETWORKS, SIMILARITY MEASUREMENT, LONG-TERM TRACKING, DATA ANALYSIS, ANIMAL BIOMETRICS

## Clustering of pixels by image foresting transform and its application in background segmentation of natural images

PROPOSED A NEW METHODOLOGY FOR AUTOMATIC EXTRACTION OF DESIRED OBJECTS IN NATURAL IMAGES. A FUZZY MODEL BASED ON THE IMAGE FORESTING TRANSFORM METHOD IS USED TO CLASSIFY THE PIXELS AS OBJECT OR BACKGROUND.

Campinas, SP, BR 2009-2011

2016-Present

KEYWORDS: GRAPHS, CLUSTERING, IMAGE PROCESSING, IMAGE COLOR ANALYSIS, OBJECT SEGMENTATION, CLASSIFICATION ALGORITHMS

#### **Thresholding Algorithms for Bank Checks**

PROPOSED APPROACH USES HISTOGRAM SPECIFICATION AND TSALLIS ENTROPY TO FIND THE BEST THRESHOLD VALUE IN Recife, PE, BR THE THRESHOLDING PHASE OF THE CHECK COURTESY AMOUNT 2007-2009

Keywords: Image Processing, Image color analysis, Object Segmentation, Entropy, Classification algorithms

# Work Experience \_\_\_\_\_

INTERN SYSTEMS ANALYST

**Padtec** Campinas, SP, BR

JUNIOR SYSTEMS ANALYST Nov. 2011 - Jun. 2014

EMBEDDED SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT FOR OPTICAL NETWORK DEVICES AND SYSTEMS BASED ON UNIX (C/C++, PYTHON)

#### **Foundation for Technological Innovation**

Recife, PE, BR

DEVELOPMENT AND TESTING OF WEB APPLICATIONS DESIGNED FOR PERSONAL DIGITAL ASSISTANTS (PDA) (C#, ASP.NET, ADO.NET)

# **Teaching Experience**

#### **Lecturer: Introduction to Computer Programming**

THE STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK AT BUFFALO May. 2018 - Jul. 2018

**Undergraduate Teaching Assistant: Image Processing** Recife, PE, BR

University of Pernambuco Aug. 2008 - Dec. 2008

**Undergraduate Teaching Assistant: Imperative Programming - C language** 

Recife, PE, BR

Feb. 2008 - Jan. 2009

Buffalo, NY, USA

University of Pernambuco Feb. 2008 - Jun. 2008

# Software Skills

#### **Robotics and Computer Vision**

ROBOT OPERATING SYSTEM (ROS) • OPENCV • TENSORFLOW • POINT CLOUD LIBRARY • GAZEBO • PYBULLET

#### **Programming**

PYTHON • C/C++ • MATLAB • JAVA • SHELL • EMBEDDED C • HASKELL • VHDL • C# • JAVASCRIPT • SQL

#### **Frameworks**

ANDROID STUDIO • ARDUINO PROGRAMMING• ETEX

# References \_

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## Dr. Kirstin Hagelskjær Petersen

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