Orestis Zambounis

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github.com/orestis-z, linkedin.com/in/orestis-z Deep Learning, Computer Vision, Robotics, Systems & Control, Distributed Systems

Experience

Senior Machine Learning Engineer

Jul 2023 - Present

QSC · Zurich, Switzerland · Remote

- Ported all vision ML models to ONNX and **TensorRT**, **tripling** pipeline speed and reducing VRAM by **15%**
- Redesigned ML architecture for modularity and flexibility, led technical debt cleanup, and managed the ML team, integrating groups and enforcing best practices

Machine Learning Engineer

Aug 2021 - Jul 2023

Seervision (ETH Zurich Spin-off, acquired by QSC) \cdot Zurich, Switzerland \cdot Remote

- Optimized person detection and pose estimation pipeline, increasing speed by 20%, accuracy by 10%, and reducing VRAM by 45%
- Created a face recognition system with under 5% false-positive rate, greatly enhancing product value
- Drove efforts to triple supported systems per hardware unit, enhancing scalability
- · Prototyped a multi-view grid for hybrid meeting rooms, a decisive factor in the acquisition by QSC
- Received recognition for achieving the highest business impact among all engineers in 2022
- Enhanced expertise in ROS, C++, Python, PyTorch, OpenCV, CUDA, Docker, CI/CD and system monitoring

MLOps Engineer Nov 2020 - June 2021

benshi.ai (Funded by Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation) · Barcelona, Spain · Hybrid

- Led data processing tools development with **Databricks**, **Spark**, and CI/CD, securing **\$X million** funding
- Managed the ML model lifecycle, employing Pandas, MLflow, Azure, Docker, Kubernetes, and ETL processes

Full-Stack & Machine Learning Engineer

Feb 2019 - May 2020

Freelancer · Remote

- Developed an end-to-end, cloud-based Al app with **TensorFlow** and **scikit-learn**, enhancing CNN-based face recognition accuracy by **18%** and optimizing for real-time inference
- Designed cross-platform frontend using **Cordova**, **React Native**, **React.js**, and **Electron**, and deployed scalable microservices to **AWS** with **Python/Flask**, **PostgreSQL**, and proxies

Control Systems Engineer, Intern

Mar 2016 - Feb 2017

Rapyuta Robotics (ETH Zurich Spin-off) · Tokyo, Japan · On-site

- $\bullet \ \ \, \text{Achieved a 55x speedup of NumPy-heavy simulation iterations and open-sourced the Python package} \,\, \underline{\text{PyJet}}$
- Designed energy estimators for a multicopter using a Kalman Filter (EKF), Python, SciPy, and C++
- Improved a setpoint tracking controller and conducted sensor tests for a multicopter using C++ and Python

Education

Imperial College London

Aug 2018 - Mar 2019

Master's Thesis · London, United Kingdom

- Pioneered a multi-task CNN deep learning architecture that predicts object instances, human poses, instance masks, and tracks people end-to-end.
- Implemented a CNN using Caffe2 and Python including custom operators with CUDA C/C++

ETH Zurich Feb 2017 - Mar 2019

MSc Robotics, Systems & Control · Zurich, Switzerland

- Introduced a method to boost scene understanding for robotic systems equipped with RGB-D sensors
- Showed that an additional depth input channel improves the segmentation accuracy of Mask R-CNN by 31%
- Submitted paper to CoRL 2018 and leveraged knowledge in TensorFlow, Keras, OpenCV and Python

ETH Zurich Sep 2012 - Feb 2016

BSc Mechanical Engineering · Zurich, Switzerland

- Graduated with more than two standard deviations above the average (top 5%)
- Implemented balancing manoeuvres for the Omnicopter to demonstrate its 6DoF flying versatility
- Derived system dynamics, synthesised non-linear attitude control algorithms, and a Kalman filter using quaternions, **C++** and **MATLAB/Simulink**