# Rodolfo G. Lotte, PhD

#### REMOTE SENSING, COMPUTER VISION, MACHINE LEARNING, PATTERN RECOGNITION

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"Everything you can imagine is real." –Pablo Picasso

# Skills

**Programming** Java, Python, C, C++, MATLAB, R, LaTeX

Cloud computing

AWS SageMaker, GluonCV, AWS Certified Solution Architect (SAA-C02 - on going), AWS Certified Machine Learning

(MLS-C01 - on going)

**Agile development** Scrum, Design Patterns, SOLID

Web Framework Django, Sass, Less, JSF, HTML5, CCS3, Framework Bootstrap, Javascript

Database PostgreSQL, PostGIS, MySQL, MongoDB, DynamoDB

**Graphical design** Adobe Photoshop, Adobe Edge, Adobe Illustrator, Adobe InDesign, Blender 3D

ArcGIS, QGIS, LAStools, CGAL, PCL, IGL, PhotoScan, COLMAP, VisualSfM, CloudCompare, MeshLab, Surfer, IDL-ENVI,

eCognition

**Languages** English, Spanish, Italian, German

# Education

**Remote Sensing and GIS** 

### National Institute for Space Research (INPE)

SJC, São Paulo, Brazil

PHD IN REMOTE SENSING

Mar. 2014 - Aug. 2018

- Topic: 3-dimensional (3D) urban mapping: A study of detection and reconstruction of building's facade through Structure-from-Motion (SfM) and Convolutional Neural Network (CNN)
- Advisor: Prof. Dr. Luiz Eduardo Oliveira e Cruz de Aragão, INPE
- Advisor: Prof. Dr. Yosio Edemir Shimabukuro, INPE

### Institute für Photogrammetrie (IfP)

Stuttgart, Germany

PHD extension

Jul. 2017 - Jan. 2018

- Topic: 3-dimensional (3D) urban mapping: A study of detection and reconstruction of building's facade through Structure-from-Motion (SfM) and Convolutional Neural Network (CNN)
- Advisor: Prof. Dr.-Ing. Norbert Haala, University of Stuttgart, Germany

### National Institute for Space Research (INPE)

SJC, São Paulo, Brazil

MSc. in Computer Science and Engineering

Mar. 2010 - Dec. 2012

- Topic: Road extraction in airborne SAR images: An Active Countour Model approach using semiautomatic seeding
- Advisor: Prof. Dra. Cláudia Maria de Almeida, INPE
- Advisor: Prof. Dr. Sidnei João Sigueira Sant'Anna, INPE

### **University of Franca (UNIFRAN)**

Franca, São Paulo, Brazil

Mar. 2006 - Dec. 2009

- Topic: Conexionist knowledge in a image searcher system
- Advisor: Prof. Dr. Antônio Fernando Traina, UNIFRAN

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

B.S. IN SYSTEM ANALYSIS

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### Amazon deforestation monitoring program - PRODES-AMZ

INPE, SJC, São Paulo, Brazil

SENIOR DEVELOPEMENT - AUTONOMOUS PROCESS IN REMOTE SENSING

Jan. 2020 - current

Development, research activities involving the monitoring of Amazon forest by remote sensing analysis and data.

- **Deep Learning**: by the use of aerial/orbital images, use wide used frameworks in DL (essentially tensorflow and keras), to implement procedures to classify recent deforestation areas.
- Cloud development AWS: implementations of scripts in python for ec2, which makes use of remote sensing data from the own aws repositories. The tasks here also refers to the development of autonomous process on image classification, the proper use of s3 buckets, ec2, and resources.

### Geopixel Soluções em Geotecnologias e TI

Parque Tecnológico, SJC, São Paulo,

Brazil

TECHNICAL LEAD IN REMOTE SENSING

Jun. 2019 - Dec. 2019

Assistance, research and management of activities involving remote sensing geoprocessing and facilities to the land-use aerial monitoring.

- ITCG, Mapping: This was a mapping project, executed by a team of 10 members, all geoprocessing analysts, where the whole state of Paraná (approximately 199,315  $km^2$ ) was mapped in 13 classes of land use and coverage. Personally, my tasks in this project involves project management, guiding and support on GIS and Remote Sensing operations.
- **COPENER, Mapping**: This was a mapping project, executed by a team of 8 members, all geoprocessing analysts, where 22 classes were mapped. Personally, my tasks in this project involves project management, guiding and support on GIS and Remote Sensing operations.
- L'Oreal, Mapping: This was a mapping project, executed by a team of 10 members, all geoprocessing analysts, where 13 classes were mapped, but the interest was to map forests of Carnaúba, a special tree responsible to produce a particular ingredient, the Carnaúba wax. Personally, my tasks in this project involves project management, guiding and support on GIS and Remote Sensing operations.

### **Brazilian Space Weather Monitor Program, EMBRACE**

INPE, SJC, São Paulo, Brazil

System Analyst – Datainfo & Astrophysics Research

Abr. 2018 - Jun. 2019

Solutions mostly in Java, full-stack resolution in MVC development, using technologies to receive raw data, store it in databases (PostgreSQL), queue files to be processed on demand and in line (RabbitMQ), share the results of any processing via JSF, Primefaces, JPA, Highcharts, etc.

- Total Electron Content, TEC: Brazilian space weather application which aims the estimative of ionosphere density throw GNSSs signals. Improvements has been made in the current TEC application available in <TEC-1>. This current development is an extension of the same TEC already published, with an series of fixed issues and better estimatives.
- Interplenatary Medium, Solar Wind: Monitoring the physical parameters of the solar plasma and estimate the possible effects that changes in the space weather condition <Read More>.

### **Brazilian Space Weather Monitor Program, EMBRACE**

INPE, SJC, São Paulo, Brazil

System Analyst – Indra Company & Astrophysics Research

Apr. 2015 - Jul. 2017

Solutions mostly in Java, full-stack resolution in MVC development, using technologies to receive raw data, store it in databases (PostgreSQL), queue files to be processed on demand and in line (RabbitMQ), share the results of any processing via JSF, Primefaces, JPA, Highcharts, etc.

- **Interplenatary Medium, Solar Wind**: Monitoring the physical parameters of the solar plasma and estimate the possible effects that changes in the space weather condition <Read More>.
- Total Eletronic Content Improved, TEC: Brazilian space weather application which aims the estimative of ionosphere density throw GNSSs signals. Improvements has been made in order to get more accurate estimatives of TEC.
- Total Solar Irradiance, TSI: Brazilian space weather application which aims the daily solar activities. The TSI application uses Neural Nets and Image Process techniquies to estimate and predict physical solar values <
- User Space Weather Workshop, Portal: Website for Space Weather User Workshop < Read More>.
- **Space Weather Monitor, SWMonitorUser**: Brazilian public portal for downloading data related to space weather, such as magnetometers, ionograms, gnss, and many other monitoring products < Read More>.
- **EMBRACE Mobile**: Development of EMBRACE applications for mobile devices, which now allow the users to be notify with alerts and the current space weather condiction. The app is free for download at Google play.

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# Tools for Open Multi-risk assessment using Earth Observation data, TOLOMEO

Università degli studi di Pavia, Pavia, Italy

AFFILIATE RESEARCHER IN REMOTE SENSING

Jul. 2013 - Jan. 2014

- BREC Road Extractor Operator: Development of roads network extractor in radar images, using C++ language within InterIMAGE plataform (PUC/Rio)
- BREC Road Cross Detection: Development filters of polygons to detect intesection or cross paths of roads, using C++ language within InterIMAGE plataform (PUC/Rio)

### Tools for Open Multi-risk assessment using Earth Observation data, TOLOMEO

Leibniz Universität Hannover, Hannover, Germany

Jan. 2013 - Jul. 2013

Affiliate Researcher in Remote Sensing

• Network Snakes: Study of a methodology to extract road centerlines based in a non-parametric algorithm called Active Contour Models or Snakes

### **Brazilian Space Weather Monitor Program, EMBRACE**

INPE, SJC, São Paulo, Brazil

System Analyst – CTIS Tecnlogia S.A. & Astrophysics Research

Jan. 2011 - Dec. 2012

Solutions mostly in Java, full-stack resolution in MVC development, using technologies to receive raw data, store it in databases (PostgreSQL), queue files to be processed on demand and in line (RabbitMQ), share the results of any processing via JSF, Primefaces, JPA, Highcharts, etc.

- Total Electron Content, TEC: Development team member of the TEC application, which consisted a work since the acquisition of raw data in the EMBRACE servers until the visualized component, so called TECMap. The TECMap shows the overview of the ionospheric layer from South America GNSS network data. <Read More>
- **Ionosphere**: Development team member of the Ionograms application, which shows the profile of the ionosphere from data collected from numerous ionosondes spread all over brazilian territory. <Read More>
- **Scintilation**: Development team member of the Scintilation application, which, as well as the application of TEC, graphically shows the ionospheric scintillation by calculating the S4 component. The ionospheric scintillation is also performed by data from South America GNSS network. <Read More>
- Magnetosphere: Development team member of the Magnetosphere application, that through data from magnetometers installed in Brazil, aims to monitor the behavior of the Earth's magnetosphere (geomagnetic components H, D, Z). <Read More>
- **High solar frequency, Callisto**: Development team member of the high frequency solar (Callisto) application, which through data from Callisto antenna, aims to monitor specific frequencies sun for identification of significant solar activity. <Read More>

# **Extracurricular Activity**

### **Pattern Recognition and Computer Vision (Lecture)**

Stuttgart, Germany

Stuttgart Universität

Oct. 2017

# FF-225 Laser I - Princípios Físicos (Lecture)

Instituto Tecnológico de Aeronáutica, ITA

SJC, São Paulo, Brazil
Ago. 2014

### **Principles in ERDAS IMAGINE I and II**

Santiago e Cintra Geo-Tecnologias

SJC, São Paulo, Brazil

Oct. 2014

### Processing of laser scanner data (LiDAR)

Universidade do Estado de Santa Catarina, UDESC

Lages, Santa Catarina, Brazil
Jul. 2011

### Rich Internet Applications using Adobe Flex + .Net

University of Franca, UNIFRAN

Franca, São Paulo, Brazil

Mar. 2009

# Writing \_

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FOUNDER & WRITER Ago. 2014 - PRESENT

• Drafted daily news for developers about Remote Sensing and IT technologies, issues and tips of best geotechnologies in the moment

# **Publications**

# **Congress and Symposium**

2019

PUBLICATIONS

- Wagner, Fabien H.; Sanchez, Alber; Tarabalka, Yuliya; Lotte, R. G.; Ferreira, Matheus P.; Aidar, Marcos PM; Gloor, Emanuel;
   Phillips, Oliver L; Aragao, Luiz EOC. Using the U-net convolutional network to map forest types and disturbance in the Atlantic rainforest with very high resolution images. Remote Sensing in Ecology and Conservation 5.4. 360-375. 2019.
- Lotte, R.G.; Aragão, L. E. O. C.; Shimabukuro, Y. E. Toward smart cities through autonomous detection and reconstruction: the brazilian panorama on the 3D mapping. XIX Simpósio Brasileiro de Sensoriamento Remoto. Santos, São Paulo, Brazil. 2019.

### **Congress and Symposium**

2018

PUBLICATIONS

- Romero-Hernandez, E., Denardini, C. M., Takahashi, H., Gonzalez Esparza, J. A., Nogueira, P. A. B., de Padua, M. B., Lotte, R. G., Negreti, P. M. S., Jonah, O. F., Resende, L. C. A., Rodriguez-Martinez, M., Sergeeva, M. A., Barbosa Neto, P. F., De La Luz, V., Monico, J. F. G., Aguilar-Rodriguez, E. Daytime ionospheric TEC weather study over Latin America. Journal of Geophysical Research: Space Physics.
- Lotte, R.G.; Haala, N.; Karpina, M.; Aragão, L.; Shimabukuro, Y. 3D Façade Labeling over Complex Scenarios: A Case Study Using Convolutional Neural Network and Structure-From-Motion. DOI: https://doi.org/10.3390/rs10091435. Special Issue in Deep Learning for Remote Sensing. Remote Sensing, 10(9), 1435. 2018

#### **Congress and Symposium**

2017

PUBLICATIONS

- Lotte, R.G.; Almeida, C.M.; Mitishita, E. A. Uma rotina metodológica para reconstrução 3D e extração de parâmetros geométricos de edificações em baixo nível de detalhamento a partir de dado LiDAR aerotransportado. Anais XVIII Simpósio Brasileiro de Sensoriamento Remoto SBSR, Santos-SP, Brasil, 29 a 30 de maio de 2017
- Lotte, R.G.; Almeida, C.M. Uma breve revisão sobre metodologias para a reconstrução 3D de ambientes urbanos pelo uso de nuvem de pontos. Anais XVIII Simpósio Brasileiro de Sensoriamento Remoto SBSR, Santos-SP, Brasil, 29 a 30 de maio de 2017

### **Congress and Symposium**

2015

**PUBLICATIONS** 

- Lotte, R.G.; Almeida, C.M.; Valeriano, M. M. Aquisição do índice TWI para avaliação de suscetibilidade a movimentos de massa na região de São Sebastião-SP. Anais XVII Simpósio Brasileiro de Sensoriamento Remoto SBSR, João Pessoa-PB, Brasil, 25 a 29 de abril de 2015
- Siani, S. M. O., Campos, J., França, D. G. M., **Lotte, R.G.**, Amaral, S., Monteiro, A. M. V., Körting, T. S. Land-cover classification of an intra-urban environment using high-resolution images and geographic object-based image analysis: the case of APA Mananciais do Rio Paraíba do Sul. Anais XVII Simpósio Brasileiro de Sensoriamento Remoto SBSR, João Pessoa-PB, Brasil, 25 a 29 de abril de 2015
- Franca, D. G., **Lotte, R.G.**, de Almeida, C. M., Siani, S. M., Korting, T. S., Fonseca, L. G., da Silva, L. T. (2015, March). Object-based image analysis for urban land cover classification in the city of Campinas-SP, Brazil. InUrban Remote Sensing Event (JURSE), 2015 Joint (pp. 1-4). IEEE

PUBLICATIONS

- Lotte, R.G.; Sant'Anna, S.J.S.; Almeida, C.M. Roads centre-axis extraction in airborne SAR images: An approach based on Active Contour Model with the use of semi-automatic seeding. International Archives of the Photogrammetry, Remote Sensing and Spatial Information Sciences. XL-1/W1. 207-212. doi:10.5194/isprsarchives-XL-1-W1-207-2013
- Sant'Anna, N.; De Nardin, C.; Takahashi, H.; Costa, J. E. R.; Batista, I. S.; Ivo, A. S.; Gomes, V. C.; **Lotte, R.G.**; Pereira, F. O.; Salgueiro, M. P. IT Capabilities of Brazilian Space Weather Program. IX European Space Weather Week ESWW'9. Brussels, Belgium. 5-9 November, 2012
- Lotte, R.G.; Almeida, C.M.; Silva, J.D.S. Identification of seed points for road extraction in airborne SAR images: a self-organizing maps-based approach. Proceedings of the X Brazilian Congress on Computational Intelligence CBIC'2011. Fortaleza, CE: Federal University of Ceara UFCE, 2011
- Lotte, R.G.; Almeida, C.M.; Sant'Anna, S.J.S.; Freitas, C.C.; Silva, J.D.S. Rural roads detection in airborne SAR images using a SOM unsupervised neural network. Proceedings of the XI Graduate Programme Workshop on Applied Computer Sciences of INPE XI WORCAP. São José dos Campos, SP: INPE, 2011

### **Congress and Symposium**

2012

PUBLICATIONS

• Sant'Anna, N.; De Nardin, C.; Takahashi, H.; Costa, J. E. R.; Batista, I. S.; Ivo, A. S.; Gomes, V. C.; **Lotte, R.G.**; Pereira, F. O.; Salgueiro, M. P. IT Capabilities of Brazilian Space Weather Program. IX European Space Weather Week – ESWW'9. Brussels, Belgium. 5-9 November, 2012

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2011

PUBLICATIONS

- Lotte, R.G.; Almeida, C.M.; Silva, J.D.S. Identification of seed points for road extraction in airborne SAR images: a self-organizing maps-based approach. Proceedings of the X Brazilian Congress on Computational Intelligence CBIC'2011. Fortaleza, CE: Federal University of Ceara UFCE, 2011
- Lotte, R.G.; Almeida, C.M.; Sant'Anna, S.J.S.; Freitas, C.C.; Silva, J.D.S. Rural roads detection in airborne SAR images using a SOM unsupervised neural network. Proceedings of the XI Graduate Programme Workshop on Applied Computer Sciences of INPE XI WORCAP. São José dos Campos, SP: INPE, 2011

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