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EDUCATION Université de Sherbrooke, Sherbrooke

Bachelor's in Robotic Engineering

Expected December 2021

People Skills: Teamwork, Problem Solving, Leadership SKILLS

Languages: Python, C++, C, HTML, JavaScript, CSS

Tools: Linux, ROS, Qt, Git, Pytorch, Docker, Matlab/Simulink, Solidworks **Technical:** Algorithms and Data Structures, Controller Design, Machine Learning,

Reinforcement Learning, 3D Modeling, Network Protocols, UI, SLAM

Business: Venture Capital, Entrepreneurship, Event Organising, Fund Raising

EXPERIENCE Robotics Research Intern

Sept 2020 - Dec 2020

GPA: 4.24/4.3

Defense Research and Development Canada, Suffield, AB, Canada

- Developed a gesture recognition system based on a LSTM network.
- Built a LIDAR body pose estimation CNN reaching a 3 cm precision.
- Implemented a teleoperation system for a UGV based on detected gestures.
- Wrote a scientific paper and a technical report about my work.

Teaching Assistant

Apr 2020 - Aug 2020

Université de Sherbrooke, Sherbrooke, QC, Canada

• GRO302 : Mobile Robotics Semester Project Course.

Autonomous Driving Research Intern

Jan 2020 - Apr 2020

Huawei, Markham, ON, Canada

- Added features to our driving simulator such as a pure pursuit lateral controller.
- Experimented with various RL algorithms and compared them on different tasks.
- Implemented Soft Actor Critic and adapted it to our driving task.
- Drafted a thorough literature review on motion planning using RL.

Research Intern

Apr 2019 - Sept 2019

Mila, Montreal, QC, Canada

- Created a real-world 360° imagery dataset covering 6km of Montreal sidewalk.
- Built a navigation RL environment that simulates multi-modal sensor observations.
- Used the RL algorithm Proximal Policy Optimization to learn a policy on our task.
- Benchmarked the performance of Scene Text Recognition models on our dataset.

Autonomous Navigation Intern

Sept 2018 - Dec 2018

Institut du Véhicule Innovant, Saint-Jérôme, QC, Canada

- Participated in the development of the navigation system of an autonomous tractor.
- Implemented and tested robotic mission management algorithms.
- Built a software for GPS trajectory preparation to be followed by the robot.
- Developed a user interface and a monitoring system for vehicle sensors.

PUBLICATIONS M. Weiss, S. Chamorro, R. Girgis, M. Luck, S. E. Kahou, J. Cohen, D. Nowrouzezahrai, D. Precup, F. Golemo, C. Pal. "Navigation Agents for the Visually Impaired: A Sidewalk Simulator and Experiments" Conference on Robot Learning 2019.

WORK IN **PROGRESS**

S. Chamorro, J.Collier, F. Grondin "Multi-modal Gesture Recognition for Vehicle Teleoperation" Submitted to IROS 2021.

K. Rezaee, P. Yadmellat, S. Chamorro "Motion Planning for Autonomous Vehicles Using Reinforcement Learning in Presence of Uncertainty" Submitted to ICRA 2021.

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EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Software Developer & Founding Member

Sept 2018 - Present

Robotique UdeS (Robotics student group)

- Participated to the creation of the group, including funding, structure, and branding.
- Managing our website and editing our blog.

Investment Team Associate

Mar 2019 - Mar 2020

Front Row Ventures, QC, Canada

- Met with student founders, completed due diligence and evaluated their business.
- Attended Investment Committees and decided on investments with the team.

Lead Organizer

Jan 2019 - May 2019

Startup Weekend Sherbrooke

- Raised 7000\$ in sponsorships and led the marketing campaign.
- Found mentors and judges and coordinated the logistics of the event.

Robotics Mentor

Sept 2017 - Mar 2018

UdeS First (Educational Robotics Student Group)

- Guided students in building and coding a Lego robot for the FIRST competition.
- Gave introductory programming workshops to elementary school students.

HONORS

- \bullet Hydro-Québec Excellence Scholarship (2000\$) Hydro-Québec, Sherbrooke $\,$ 2020
- Ordre des ingénieurs Foundation Scholarship (3000\$) FOIQ, Québec
 APCUS Student Involvement Scholarship (1000\$) U. de S., Sherbrooke
 2020
- Datings Fund Student Involvement Scholarship (1000¢) U. de S., Sherbrooke 2010
- Retiree Fund Student Involvement Scholarship (1000\$) U. de S., Sherbrooke 2019
 Undergraduate Research Scholarship (5000\$) IVADO, Montreal
 2019
- Excellence Scholarship, J. A. Bombardier (1000\$) U. de S., Sherbrooke 2018
- Certificate of Academic Excellence U. de S., Sherbrooke 2018, 2019 & 2020

PROJECTS

Zeus Rover

2020 - 2021 (Capstone)

Université de Sherbrooke

• Developing software for a rover prototype for the forthcoming Canadian International Rover Challenge (CIRC) in 2021.

UdeS Racecar

Fall 2019 (5th semester)

Université de Sherbrooke

- Programmed a web interface for teleoperating the racecar using HTML and roslibjs.
- Designed PID and LQR controllers for vehicle speed and position.
- Implemented different behaviours such as obstacle detection, and potential field path planning.

Face Tracking Camera

Winter 2019 (4th semester)

Université de Sherbrooke and ZAP, Montreal

- Programmed a prototype face tracking system to film and follow artists on stage.
- \bullet Developed the system's software in Python in a ROS environment.

VOLUNTEER WORK

Volunteer, Oktoberfest, Sherbrooke

2019

Volunteer, Founder Fuel Demo Day, Montreal

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Volunteer International Conference on Robotics and Automation, Montreal

INTERESTS AND HOBBIES

- Robotics Machine Learning Reinforcement Learning 3D Printing
- Soccer Sprint-Kayaking Triathlon

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