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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 - Present

GPA: 4.24/4.3

Defense Research and Development Canada, Suffield, AB, Canada

- Developing a human gesture recognition system using stereo imagery and LIDAR.
- Implementing a teleoperation system for a UGV based on detected gestures.

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.

Investment Team Associate

Mar 2019 - Present

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.

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.

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

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)

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

HONORS

- Ordre des ingénieurs Foundation Scholarship (3000\$) FOIQ, Québec 2020 • APCUS Student Involvement Scholarship (1000\$) – U. de S., Sherbrooke 2019 • 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 2018 & 2019
- Certificate of Academic Excellence U. de S., Sherbrooke

PROJECTS

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.
- Developed the system's software in Python in a ROS environment.

Intelligent Vehicle on Rails

Summer 2018 (3rd semester)

Université de Sherbrooke

- Designed the hardware of a 4-wheel vehicle that transported a mass on a pendulum.
- Modeled the vehicle's dynamics and designed a controller using Matlab and Simulink.

Automated Production Line

Winter 2018 (2nd semester)

Université de Sherbrooke

• Programmed UR and FANUC routines for robotic arms.

VOLUNTEER WORK

Volunteer, Oktoberfest, Sherbrooke

2019

Volunteer, Founder Fuel Demo Day, Montreal

2019 2019

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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