Siyan "Sylvia" Li

Email: siyan.sylvia.li.app@gmail.com Website: siyan-sylvia-li.com **LinkedIn:** linkedin.com/in/siyan-sylvia-li

### EDUCATION

## STANFORD UNIVERSITY, School of Engineering

M.S. in Computer Science

Palo Alto, CA

Sept 2021 - June 2023

## GEORGIA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY, College of Computing

B.S. in Computer Science; Overall GPA: 3.97, Major GPA: 4.0

Atlanta, GA Aug 2017 - Dec 2020

### Coursework

• Machine Learning, Knowledge-based AI, Natural Language Processing

#### Professional Experience

### AMAZON ROBOTICS, Amazon

Boston, MA

Atlanta, GA

Software Engineering Intern

May 2020 - Aug 2020

• Added screenshot functionality to work stations to improve debugging.

### COLLEGE OF COMPUTING, Georgia Tech

Head Teaching Assistant, Intro to AI

Aug 2019 - Present

- Holds office hours and instructs review sessions.
- Debugs and creates course coding assignments.

# Research

## ROBOTICS, EVOLUTION, AND ART LAB, ITU Copenhagen

Copenhagen, Denmark

Research Assistant / Programmer, Employer: Dr. Sebastian Risi

Feb 2021 - Aug 2021

- Implements online system for interactive evolution of Minecraft structures.
- Utilizes CLIP embeddings for Minecraft structure generation.

# ENTERTAINMENT INTELLIGENCE LAB, Georgia Tech

Atlanta, GA

Research Assistant, Advisor: Dr. Mark O. Riedl

Aug 2019 - Dec 2020

- Incorporated COMET into GPT-2 language model to generate sensible multi-character narratives.
- Applied VerbNet filtering techniques to GPT-2 to generate logically coherent stories.
- Combined GPT-2 and reinforcement learning to generate socially-normative texts.

#### INTELLIGENT CONTROL LAB, Carnegie Mellon University

Pittsburgh, PA

Research Assistant, Advisor: Dr. Changliu Liu

May 2019 - Aug 2019

- Used multi-task seq2seq model to simultaneously predict human intention and trajectory.
- Enabled a Kinova Gen3 robot arm to collaborate with humans using the prediction results.

## Projects and Publications

- S. Sudhakaran, D. Grbic, S. Li, A. Katona, E. Najarro, C. Glanois, S. Risi, "Growing 3D Artefacts and Functional Machines with Neural Cellular Automata," in proceedings of ALIFE 2021.
- X. Peng, S. Li, S. Wiegreffe, M. Riedl, "Improving Neural Storytelling with Commonsense Inferences," in proceedings of 3rd Workshop on Narrative Understanding.
- X. Peng, S. Li, S. Frazier, M. Riedl, "Reducing Non-Normative Text Generation from Language Models," in proceedings of International Conference on Natural Language Generation (INLG) 2020.
- A. Abuduweili, S. Li, C. Liu, "Adaptable Human Intention and Trajectory Prediction for Human-Robot Collaboration," in proceedings of AI-HRI 2019.

### Programming Skills

- Languages / Frameworks (In order of Proficiency): Python, Java, Android, ROS, Keras, Pytorch, C, Tensorflow, HTML & CSS, JavaScript, React
- Hardware / Devices: Kinova Gen3 Robot Arm, PR2 Robot, SCiO Sensor
- Concepts: Deep Learning, Neural Networks, Artificial Intelligence Algorithms, Computer Vision (ConvNets), NLP Algorithms, Data Structures and Algorithms, Object-Oriented Programming