Smit Dumore

EDUCATION

University of Maryland, College Park,

08/2022 – Expected (05/2024)

Masters in Robotics (GPA 4.0/4.0)

College Park, MD

Control of Mobile Robots, State Estimation and Visual Odometry, Introduction to AI.

Vishwakarma Institute of Technology, Pune, India,

2017 – 2021 | India

BTech. Mechanical Engineering (GPA 8.48/10.0)

Machine Design, Mechatronics, Kinematics of Mechanisms, Differential Equations.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Robotics Software Engineer, *Botysnc* □

07/2021 – 06/2022 | India

- Developed a **Hyper Accurate Docking Algorithm** for an **AMR** (Autonomous Mobile Robot) for autonomous recharging in **C++14**. Experimented with **Iterative Closest Point** scan matching and reflective tape based docking. The docking accuracy obtained was ±2cm. (video) ☑.
- Worked on Landmark based **Extended Kalman Filter** for localisation of AMR in long corridors. Obtained RMSE of 0.2m and 5 degrees.
- Successfully tuned and tested custom **Navigation Stack** for lifting and tugging applications upto 2 tonnes in various industrial sites.
- Developed a Teleoperator package in C++ for controlling an AMR with a joystick.

Project Intern, Cummins India Limited □

01/2021 – 05/2021 | India

- Implemented Lean Manufacturing Techniques to improve Overall Equipment Effectiveness (**OEE**) of a robotic arm production line.
- Simulated production workflow in CoppeliaSim to optimize a manipulation task with a KUKA kr-16 robot arm. Reduced cycle time of component by **6 minutes**.

PROJECTS

Autonomous Racing Planning and Control stack,

03/2022

Vishwakarma Institute of Technology, Pune, India

- Implemented real-time **RRT and RRT*** path planning algorithms using C++11 for local planning in a head-to-head autonomous racing car. Implemented optimization technique using **Kd-Tree** to improve the algorithm's performance (github) ☑
- Implemented **Pure Pursuit** to follow waypoints on the racetrack.
- Developed a **Model Predictive Controller** based racing strategy for better path following and obstacle avoidance performance. (github) ☑
- Utilised multi-lane switching and opponent motion prediction for **safely overtaking** the opponent.

Reinforcement Learning Pacman Agent,

01/2023

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- Implemented a **BFS** , **Best first Search**, **Astar**, **Dijkstra** path finding algorithm to search Ghosts in a Pacman environment. (github) ☑
- Modelled the Pacman environment as a **MDP** (Markov decesion processes) and used Value Iteration to maximise score of Pacman against stochastic and adversarial ghosts.
- Used Q-learning to learn optimal actions in a state to maximise Pacman score.

Dynamic Window Approach Local Planner,

10/2022

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- Developed a kino-dynamic local planner for a turtlebot using the Dynamic Window Approach. (github)
- Planner is capable of dodging dynamic obstacles.
- Planner generates paths that are **kinematically feasible** and locally optimal.

SKILLS

Programming Languages

C++11/14/17, Python, MATLAB, Julia

Tools

ROS, OpenCV, PCL, Rviz, Gazebo