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Summary

A passionate engineer with a demonstrated history of working in the research industry. Has experience with digital signal processing, machine learning, simulations, and virtual reality. Interested in learning new technologies and providing solutions that would greatly benefit businesses and end users.

Education

Korea Advanced Institute of Science and Technology (KAIST)

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY IN CULTURE TECHNOLOGY

August 2022 - Present

Duksung Women's University

KOREAN LANGUAGE PROGRAM

August 2021 - August 2022

University of the Philippines - Diliman

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING

(Specializing in Audio Signal Processing)

August 2016 - December 2019

- Relevant Coursework — *Deep Learning, Speech Processing, Video Processing, Audio Processing*
- Research Focus — *Multi-Task Learning for Detection, Recovery, and Separation of Polyphonic Music*

University of the Philippines - Diliman

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN ELECTRONICS AND COMMUNICATIONS ENGINEERING

June 2010 - June 2015

- Relevant Coursework — *Probability and Statistics, Linear Algebra, Digital Signal Processing*
- Research Focus — *Melody Extraction using Signal Processing and Machine Learning*

St. Paul University Quezon City

HIGH SCHOOL

June 2006 - March 2010

- Awarded for Academic Excellence
- Awarded a Silver Medal for Leadership as part of the Student Governing Board

Experience

Stamina4Space (under the PHL-50 Project): Localizing the Diwata-1, 2 Bus System as the Country's Space Heritage 50 kg Microsatellite Bus

EEEI, UP Diliman, Philippines

UNIVERSITY RESEARCHER

August 2019 - August 2021

- Published three papers regarding satellite simulations, cloud detection, and attitude control
- Developed MATA (Mission Attitude and Telemetry Analysis) software for micro-satellite
- Implemented image processing techniques and machine learning methods for satellite cloud detection
- Integrated cloud detection and satellite attitude algorithms in the MATA simulator via sockets
- Conducted experiments on reinforcement learning algorithms for satellite attitude control
- Handled student / graduate assistants conducting machine learning experiments
- Provided assistance and presentations in different tours and events of the organization

Digital Signal Processing Laboratory

EEEI, UP Diliman, Philippines

GRADUATE ASSISTANT

August 2018 - July 2019

- Gathered and analyzed audio samples of Philippine ethnic instruments for Katunog, a government funded project
- Participated in the sprint meetings for the design of the project's website

Imagine Realities Inc

Quezon City, Philippines

FREELANCE UNITY DEVELOPER

February 2018 - July 2018

- Led a team of developers in creating a desktop application for the client's event
- Conducted QA tests for the smooth delivery of the product

Ubiquitous Computing Laboratory

RESEARCH ASSOCIATE

EEEI, UP Diliman, Philippines

April 2016 - April 2018

Worked on two government funded projects: ANEEME and VREX. Published papers for each project.

- ANEEME: Synthesizing and Sharing Animation Building Blocks for Rapid Creation of 3D Motion Scenes
 - Led a team of programmers and artists in the development of a Virtual Reality scene creator application
 - Implemented the game and sound design of the VR application
 - Designed the UX/UI of the application with the help of UX research methods
 - Conducted research on an automatic skeletal rigging algorithm using machine learning
 - Created a dataset of 3D humanoid models with poses for the experiments of the rigging algorithm
 - Organized and created documents for project planning, meetings, and documentations
 - Conducted market and user research for the project
 - Devised a business model which helped the team be in the Top 12 of the Ideaspace Startup Competition
- VREX: Human Hands as Input Device for an Immersive Virtual Reality Experience
 - Designed and developed a scene for the "ElderVine" Virtual Reality fantasy game
 - Implemented the sound design of the VR fantasy game

Accenture, Inc.

ASSOCIATE SOFTWARE ENGINEER

Taguig City, Philippines

September 2015 - March 2016

- Handled customer related issues on the key on-boarding processes and technology improvements for Office 365
- Collaborated with offshore software engineers in providing solutions to customers

Skills

Programming	Python, Keras, Tensorflow, C#, C, MATLAB, LaTeX, Git
Simulation Software	Unity3D, Maya, Unreal Engine
Certifications	Licensed Electronics Engineer, Creative Applications of Deep Learning with TensorFlow
Languages	Filipino, English, Korean
Others	Machine Learning, Deep Learning, Project Management, Virtual Reality, Game Development

Publications

MATA-RL: Continuous Reaction Wheel Attitude Control Using the MATA Simulation Software and Reinforcement Learning

SMALL SATELLITE CONFERENCE 2021

Virtual

August 2021

MATA-Cloud: A Cloud Detection and Dynamic Attitude Correction Evaluation Software

SMALL SATELLITE CONFERENCE 2021

Virtual

August 2021

MATA: Mission, Attitude, and Telemetry Analysis Software for Micro-Satellites

IEEE REGION 10 CONFERENCE (TENCON)

Virtual

November 2020

Multi-task Learning for Detection, Recovery, and Separation of Polyphonic Music

IEEE REGION 10 CONFERENCE (TENCON)

Virtual

November 2020

Time-Frequency Representations for Single-Channel Music Source Separation

INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM ON MULTIMEDIA AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY 2019

Manila, Philippines

August 2019

Audio Event Detection using Wireless Sensor Networks based on Deep Learning

11TH EAI INTERNATIONAL WIRELESS INTERNET CONFERENCE (WICON)

Taipei, Taiwan

October 2018

VREX: A Framework for Immersive Virtual Reality Experiences

THE IEEE REGION 10 SYMPOSIUM (IEEE TENSYP)

Sydney, NSW, Australia

July 2018

ANEEME: Synthesizing and Sharing Animation Building Blocks for Rapid Creation of 3D Virtual Scenes

SIGGRAPH ASIA 2017: VR SHOWCASE

Bangkok, Thailand

November 2017

Study of Automatic Melody Extraction Methods for Philippine Indigenous Music

IEEE INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON CONTROL SYSTEM, COMPUTING AND ENGINEERING

Penang, Malaysia

November 2015

Study of Hybrid Methods for Melody Extraction of Polyphonic Signals for Philippine Indigenous Music

8TH AUN/SEED-NET CONFERENCE

Manila, Philippines

November 2015

Awards & Scholarships

- 2021 **Global Korea Scholarship (2021 - 2025)**, National Institute for International Education
- 2018 **DOST-SEI Scholar (2018 - 2019)**, Engineering Research and Development for Technology
- 2018 **Finalist (Included in the Top 12)**, Ideaspace Startup Competition
- 2018 **Second Runner-Up**, AWS Hackdays Manila (Machine Learning Edition)
- 2015 **Best Paper**, 8th AUN/SEED-NET Conference
- 2014 **University Scholar (Dean's Lister)**, 1st Semester 2014 - 2015
- 2010 **Silver Medal for Leadership**, Student Governing Board
- 2010 **Academic Excellence**, High School

Activities

- Contributor**, Space and Artificial Intelligence Conference (Presentation Title: Deep Reinforcement Learning for Diwata Microsatellite Attitude Control with MATA Simulator and OpenAI Gym)
- 2021 **Speaker**, COE 197D: Data Driven Control Discussions
- 2020 **Volunteer**, ACM Special Interest Group on Computer Graphics (SIGGRAPH Asia)
- 2019 **Speaker**, UX of XR - Designing for Immersive Technologies
- 2018 **Speaker**, Computer Research and Engineering Symposium (CoRES)
- 2017 **Speaker**, Animahenasyon: 11th Philippine Animation Festival
- 2017 **Participant**, HealthHacks
- 2015 **Participant**, Accenture: 10th Student Leadership Conference
- 2013 **Participant**, IECEP-QCSC: Leadership Training Seminar

Organizations

Institute of Electronics Engineers of the Philippines UP Student Chapter

PRESIDENT

June 2014 - June 2015

- Led weekly planning meetings for the events of the organization
- Coordinated with other schools and organizations in handling regional events
- Planned and conducted various community services and fundraising events

Institute of Electronics Engineers of the Philippines Quezon City Student Chapter

BOARD MEMBER

June 2013 - March 2014

- Led the organization of event promotions and documentations
- Designed and created publicity materials for different events
- Facilitated and supported the activities of the organization

UP Alliance for Responsive Involvement and Student Empowerment (UP ARISE)

DIRECTOR FOR PHOTOGRAPHY AND MEDIA

June 2013 - March 2014

- Responsible for event documentations of the organization