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RESEARCH INTERESTS

Personalized Long-term HRI; Multi-Modal Learning; LLMs with Wearable Sensor;

EDUCATION

Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) *Sep. 2023 - Present*
M.S. Media Arts and Sciences
Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) *July. 2022 - May. 2023*
Visiting Student/Researcher at Media Lab
Yonsei University *Mar. 2014 - Feb. 2022*
B.S. in Computer Science and Mechanical Engineering
• Magna Cum Laude
• 2-year absence to fulfill military duty (2016 - 2017)

PUBLICATION

Published

- Y.Kim, S.Algothwinem, H.Park, “Explainable Representations of Human Interaction: Engagement Recognition model with Video Augmentation” (NeurIPS HCAI Workshop, 2022)
- Y.Kim, H.Chen, S.Algothwinem, C.Breazeal, H.Park, “Joint Engagement Classification using Video Augmentation Techniques for Multi-person Human-robot Interaction” (AAMAS 2022)
- D.Lee, Y.Kim, R.Picard, C.Breazeal, H.Park, “Multipar-T: Multiparty-Transformer for Capturing Continuous Behaviors in Group Conversations” (IJCAI 2023)

Under Review

- Y.Kim, D.Lee, P.Liang, S.Algothwinem, C.Breazeal, H.Park, “HIINT: Historical, Intra- and Inter- personal Dynamics Modeling with Cross-person Memory Transformer” (ICMI 2023)

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Personal Robots Group (PRG), MIT Media Lab

Advisor: Prof. Cynthia Breazeal

Graduate Research Assistant

July. 2022 - Present

- Family Early Literacy Education using Social AI Agents
 - Developed a personalized social robot system that supports the co-reading between a parent and a child
 - Implemented human engagement recognition model that predicts the affective states from videos

Machine Learning and Control System (MLCS) Lab, Yonsei University

Advisor: Prof. Jongeun Choi

Undergraduate Researcher

Dec. 2019 - Nov. 2020

- Obstacle-Dependent Mixed Gaussian Potential Field (ODMG-PF)
 - Proposed a Real-Time Obstacle Avoidance Method for Mecanum wheel-based Mobile Robot
 - Won 1st place in undergraduate thesis from the Department of Mechanical Engineering

Technology and Design Research Center (TDRC), Yonsei University

Advisor: Prof. Da Young Ju

Undergraduate Researcher

Apr. 2018 - Dec. 2018

- Development of a Digital Companion Robot for Elders
 - Conducted living-lab experiment on older adults with Digital Social Robot “DORI” in order to collect the data from their lives and analyze their life cycle pattern to develop social robot’s functionality
 - Designed the UX of the Digital Social Robot “DORI” for elderly people in a VR Environment to increase their social ability within their social community and manage their lives

WORK EXPERIENCE

Bear Robotics, CA

Supervisor: Dr. Jeongki Yoo

Software Engineer Intern

Dec. 2021 - Mar. 2022

- Development of Food Service Delivery Robot, “Servi”

- Developed Graph-based Simultaneous Localization and Mapping (SLAM) algorithm to generate robust maps and improved the computational burden
- Conducted unit tests with sensors (LiDAR, 3D-RGBD Camera) to improve and evaluate robot performance

Supervisor: Dr. Henry Leinhos

Robotics Engineer Intern

Mar. 2019 - Sep. 2019

- Development of Food Service Delivery Robot, “Pennybot”
- Analyzed the robot data collected from diverse environments and developed the SLAM tuning process
- Sensor fusing (IMU, LiDAR, 3D-RGBD Camera) into Robot algorithms to improve SLAM performance

Deep Machine Lab, Seoul

Supervisor: Dr. Jeongmin Bae

Research and Development

July. 2020 - Apr. 2021

- Development of Screen-based Human-Interactive AI Avatar
- Developed AI avatar along with real-time human recognition and response to a natural-language input
- Implemented Chatbot model in the Emotion-Wellness domain

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

YSC1003-01 Understanding and Using AI

Tutor

Sep. 2020 - Dec. 2020

- Conducted coding session with an introduction to Tensorflow
- Assisted students to implement Deep Q-Network (DQN) algorithm in “Flappy Bird” environment

YCS1002-03 SW Programming

Teaching Assistant (TA)

Mar. 2020 - Dec. 2020

- Conducted coding session with an introduction to Python programming and Algorithms
- Assisted students in achieving completion of homework, projects and evaluated their work

PROJECT EXPERIENCE

Software Capstone Project, Yonsei University

Advisor: Prof. Seongbae Jo

Team Leader

Sep. 2021 - Dec. 2021

- Developed Interpretable Imitational Learning algorithm using Human Demonstrations in MineRL env
- Won 1st place and Popularity Prize from the Department of Computer Science

2019 ICRA Robomaster AI Challenge

Advisor: Prof. Byungkwan Min

Team Member

Dec. 2018 - May. 2019

- Trained DQN and DDPG algorithm for robots to collaborate on a battlefield
- Built simulation and real-world environment and implemented SLAM and navigation algorithm for testing
- Won 3rd Prize in the Final Competition in which 39 university teams around the world participated

AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

2022 Samsung × MIT Hackathon, 2nd place in WJM Design Award

Sep 23. 2022 - Sep 25. 2022

Global Industrial Talent Scholarship, Korea Institute for Advanced Technology

Sep. 2022 - Apr. 2023

Light-Up Scholarship, Institute for Higher Education Innovation

Feb. 2020 - Feb. 2022

Dong-Kyo Talent Award, Surim Foundation

Nov. 2020

Social Innovation Scholarship, Yonsei University

Mar. 2019 - Mar. 2020

High Honor (3%), Yonsei University

Dec. 2019

Global ICT Scholarship, Ministry of Science and ICT

Mar. 2019 - Aug. 2019

SKILLS

AI framework	Tensorflow, PyTorch
Programming tools	Python, C++, C#, Shell
Simulation tools	CoppeliaSim, Gazebo, Unity, OpenAI gym
Robotics tools	ROS, Rviz, MoveIt
Languages	Korean (Native), English (Proficient), Japanese (Basic)

REFERENCES

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