Jongwon Lee

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Interests

Robotics, Automotive Systems, Robotic Perception

EDUCATION

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign (UIUC)

Aug. 2020 - Present Urbana, IL

Daejeon, Korea

Ph.D. Candidate in Aerospace Engineering

• Advisor: Dr. Timothy W. Bretl

Korea Advanced Institute of Science and Technology (KAIST)

Mar. 2014 - Aug. 2020

B.S. in Mechanical Engineering, Summa Cum Laude

• Total GPA of 4.11 / 4.3 (Major GPA of 4.14 / 4.3)

Honors and Awards *Dean's List*, KAIST, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2019

Outstanding Achievement Award, KAIST, 2014, 2015, 2018

Travel Grant (ACCV 2018, UR 2019, IROS 2019, CES 2020), total \$11.5K, KAIST

Scholarship for Honors Students, \$800, KAIST, Spring 2019

National Science and Engineering Scholarship, total \$28K, Korea Student Aid Foundation, 2014-2019

Best Instructor Award, KAIST Science Outreach Program, 2018

Bronze Prize in CEE-URP Competition, KAIST, 2018

PUBLICATIONS

<u>Jongwon Lee</u> and Ayoung Kim. 2019. Neural Network-Based Long-Term Place Recognition from Omni-Images. In Proceedings of the IEEE International Conference on Ubiquitous Robots

RESEARCH EXPERIENCES

NAVER LABS

Feb. 2020 - Aug. 2020

Research Intern (Advisor: Dr. Donghwan Lee)

Seongnam, Korea

• Led project on holistic approaches to improve visual place recognition for urban outdoor scenario

Intelligent Robotic Autonomy and Perception Laboratory, KAIST Mar. 2018 - Dec. 2019
Research Intern (Advisor: Dr. Ayoung Kim) Daejeon, Korea

- Led project on depth estimation in ill-lighted conditions with near-infrared cameras
- Led project on long-term place recognition in urban environments using deep neural network
 Earned Bronze prize in undergraduate research competition and published paper based on work
- Got funded by CEE-URP 2018 (\$7.2K) and URP 2019 (\$5.5K) in KAIST
- Learned programming skills and tools for robotics: ROS, TesnorFlow, Keras

Electronics and Telecommunications Research Institute (ETRI) Research Intern (Advisor: Dr. Wonpil Yu)

Jan. 2019 - Feb. 2019 Daejeon, Korea

- Participated in project on indoor marker detection and localization using 2D LiDAR sensor
 - Marker Detection: Built up model-based object detection in point clouds
 - Localization: Estimate sensor's position through trilateration with given markers' coordinates
- Investigated back-end design of ROS packages and reasoned about various filters' suitability for processing point cloud data

Telerobotics Control Laboratory, KAIST

Jan. 2016 - Feb. 2016

Research Intern (Advisor: Dr. Dong-soo Kwon)

Daejeon, Korea

- Studied trajectory planning of 3-axis robotic arm using motors
- Learned fundamentals of C++ with Microsoft Foundation Class Library (MFC)

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HIGHLIGHTED Project

Designing an Autonomous Mobile Robot

System Developer (Advisor: Dr. Kuk-Jin Yoon)

Mar. 2019 - Jun. 2019 Mechanical Engineering, KAIST

- Made robot for carrying out missions exploring and picking up objects without collision
- Developed perceptual algorithm for object detection and pose estimation using RGB-D camera
- Delivered final presentation of project and demonstrated robot

Teaching

Tutor, School of Freshman, KAIST

• CS101, Introduction to Programming

• PH141, General Physics I

• PH142, General Physics II

Fall 2019

Spring 2015, 2016, 2019

Fall 2018

Instructor, KAIST Science Outreach Program (KSOP)

Spring 2017 - Fall 2018

- Taught advanced science and mathematics to underprivileged middle school students
- Earned Best Instructor Award in December 2018

Instructor, Samsung Dream Class

Spring 2015 - Spring 2016

• Taught rudimentary mathematics to underprivileged middle school students in after-school classes

EXTRACURRICULA ACTIVITIES AND SERVICES

Extracurricular Korean Augmentation to the United States Army (KATUSA)

Aug. 2016 - Apr. 2018

Seoul, Korea

- Served mandatory military duty as Korean citizen at U.S. Army Camp
- Was responsible for ten to twenty people's training and performance
- Promoted cultural exchange and mutual understanding between Korean and U.S. Forces
- Learned English and taught Korean by conducting language exchange programs

Voice of KAIST

Team Leader

Mar. 2014 - Dec. 2015

Journalist, Newsroom Editor-of-Chief

Daejeon, Korea

- Produced newscasts and documentaries concerning issues in KAIST
- Strived to establish news media that speaks for public opinion of school society
- Gave lectures on Adobe Premiere Pro and Photoshop to freshmen

Invitee, Qualcomm IT Tour, 2019

Civil Journalist, Korea Deposit Insurance Corporation (KDIC), 2015

TECHNICAL SKILLS

- Programming languages: Python, MATLAB, C++
- Others: ROS, Pytorch, Tensorflow, Keras

Language Proficiency

Fluent in **English** and Native in **Korean**

- New GRE: Verbal (156, 73%), Quantitative (170, 96%), Writing (3.5, 39%)
- IBT TOEFL: 105 (Reading: 30, Listening: 28, Speaking: 25, Writing: 22)

Accumulated Best Score: 110 (Reading: 30, Listening: 28, Speaking: 25, Writing: 27)

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