

SAI LEKYANG

Interests: AI, Robotics, Heuristic Search, Real-time Planning, Multi-Agent Pathfinding

Language: C/C++, Java, Python, JavaScript, R, PHP, SQL, HTML/CSS

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EDUCATION

University of New Hampshire

MS in Computer Science

9/2019 (expected)

- 3.76 GPA
- Relevant CS courses (out of 18):
 - Introduction to Artificial Intelligence (*Prof. Wheeler Ruml*)
 - Introduction to Machine Learning (*Prof. Marek Petrik*)
 - Topics in Reinforcement Learning (*Prof. Marek Petrik*)
 - Introduction to Mobile Robotics (*Prof. Momotaz Begum*)

BS in Civil Engineering

12/2011

- Engineer-in-Training Certification (*Issued by The New Hampshire State Board of Professional Engineers*)
 - Passed the optional Fundamentals of Engineering exam; a prerequisite for the Professional Engineer license
- Award of Excellence - UNH Undergraduate Research Conference
 - Designed the University of New Hampshire and the town of Durham's bicycle infrastructure and facilities
 - Performed bike parking analysis with GIS and studied roadways and pedestrian paths with bike infrastructure added
 - Designed a high capacity bicycle storage and provided the strength and serviceability analysis of the structure

PROJECTS

Real-time Trial Heuristic Tree Search (*MS project with Prof. Wheeler Ruml*)

2019

- Designed, implemented and evaluated a real-time planning algorithm with an emphasis on balancing exploration and exploitation using Monte Carlo Tree Search UCB1 algorithm. And another algorithm that uses Interval Estimation.

Multi-Agent Path Finding (*AI class project with Prof. Wheeler Ruml*)

2019

- Replicated algorithms and extended results from AAAI 2005 (Silver) and AAAI 2012 (Sharon, Stern, Felner and Sturtevant) for optimal and sub-optimal multi-agent pathfinding.

Frontier-Based Exploration (*Robotics class project with Prof. Momotaz Begum*)

2018

- Developed a Python program with ROS that drives a TurtleBot to explore unknown areas using an uncertainty-based exploration algorithm and create a grid map of its environment using its laser scanner.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Graduate Teaching Assistant

2017 - 2019

- Introduction to Computer Science I & II
- Machine Organization and Assembly Language Programming
- Operating System Fundamentals

Tutor

2017 - 2019

- Programming Assistance Center

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Latham Pool Products, Inc.

12/2016 - present

Software Engineer Intern

- Developed an automated customer communication system with the Advanced Message Queuing Protocol
- Participated in the design and creation of a RESTful Web Service with Java on the Spring framework
- Developed PHP plugins, HTML/CSS and maintained multiple websites on the WordPress platform
- Created a Python application that parses logs from different systems to generate a normalized output

Designer

01/2013 - 12/2016

- Created a product configuration site following product rules to generate XML and SVG files of the product
- Designed custom Latham pool products using Autodesk AutoCAD software
- Participated in the design and development cycle of applications on Microsoft Dynamics AX
- Performed QA regression testing on implementations of applications

First Call Property Services, LLC

06/2010 - 01/2013

Business Analyst

- Created a timecard application to increase the effectiveness of tracking hours and records of employees
- Participated in the evaluation of business improvements and implementation of streamlining business processes