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EDUCATION

Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh, PA, USA

June 2014 to Present

Post Doc, The Robotics Institute

- Mentors: Dr. M. Bernardine Dias and Dr. Aaron Steinfeld

Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN, USA

May 2014

Ph.D., Computer and Information Technology

- Dissertation: Optimizing Self-organizing, Large-scale, Mobile Robotic Broadband Networks
- Adviser: Dr. Eric T. Matson

Kyung Hee University, Yongin, Korea

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M.S., Electronics and Radio Engineering

- Thesis: Navigation Method for VTOL Type UAV using a Limit-cycle Navigation Method and Fuzzy Logic Control
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Kyung Hee University, Yongin, Korea

August 2008

B.S., Electronics Engineering

- Thesis: Humanoid Robot with Web Cam

Professional Experience

PROFESSIONAL Postdoctoral Researcher

June 2014 to Present

TechBridgeWorld Research Group, The Robotics Institute, Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh, PA

- Working on Assistive Robots for Blind Travelers project that addresses the challenge of co-robots being equally capable of interacting with humans with disabilities by exploring meaningful human-robot interaction (HRI) in the context of assistive robots for blind travelers, funded by National Science Foundation (Award #: 1317989).
- Development of a smartphone-based navigation aid tool for blind travelers in urban and unfamiliar environments.

Graduate Assistant

August 2010 to May 2014

Department of Computer and Information Technology, Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN

 Research Assistant in the M2M (Machine-to-Machine) Lab directed by Dr. Eric Matson, conducting research on building large-scale broadband networks using mobile robots for safety, security, and rescue applications. Teaching Assistant for Design of Sensor and Robotic System (CNIT 499) & Advanced Robotics Development (CNIT 581).

Graduate Assistant

September 2008 to August 2010

Department of Electronics and Radio Engineering, Kyung Hee University, Yongin, Korea

- Research Assistant in Automatic Control Lab directed by Dr. Donghan Kim, developing a humanoid type violin playing robot, and conducting research on autonomous navigation of Vertical Take-off and Landing (VTOL) type UAVs.
- Teaching Assistant for Robotics Engineering & Applied Embedded System & Electronic Circuit Experiments & Basic Circuit Experiments.

Research Intern

December 2007 to February 2008

Robotics and Games Lab, Griffith University, Griffith, Australia

 Supervised by Dr. Jun Jo, developing a prototype of educational battle robots with use of C/C++ and assembly language on microprocessors.

Research Intern

March 2005 to May 2005

Global Associate Partners Team, Kanbay Software India Pvt. Ltd., Pune, India

 Assisted in Automated Teller Machine (ATM) application development based on J2EE Technology and MS Access 2003.

Enlisted Soldier

July 2001 to September 2003

Republic of Korea Army (ROKA), Icheon, Korea

- Fulfilled military service as a signal corpsman for a battalion commander.

Honors and Awards

- Best Paper Award at the 28th ICROS (Institue of Control, Robotics and Systems)
 Annual Conference, for the paper: "A Dust Detection Sensor System for Improvement of a Robot Vacuum Cleaner", 2013.
- Research Scholarship awarded to the student for top research accomplishment by Kyung Hee University, 2009 and 2010.
- 3rd Place Award at the International Robot Contest 2009 (IRC2009), participated in: FIRA Challenge Cup Robot Soccer Competition, 2009.
- Best Paper Award at the Proceedings of KIIS (Korean Institute of Intelligent System) Spring Conference 2009, for the paper: "Development of Violin Self-Training using Fuzzy Logic", 2009
- 4th Place Award at the International Robot Contest 2008 (IRC2008), participated in: "FIRA Challenge Cup Robot Soccer Competition", 2008.
- The Gold Lion Prize awarded for the top volunteer student; 232 total hours of volunteer service during 2006–2008, by Kyung Hee University, 2008.
- Best Thesis Award in Graduation Thesis Competition in the Fall of 2007 at Kyung Hee University, for the thesis: "Humanoid Robot with Webcam", 2008.
- Useful Idea Award in the Contest for the 3rd Rehabilitation Assistive Devices, by Korean Ministry of Health and Welfare, for the idea: "Design of Electro Oculogram (EOG) Control for a Motorized Wheelchair", 2007.
- Academic Scholarship awarded to the student for outstanding GPA by Kyung Hee University, 2004, 2006, and 2007.

Journal Publications

- [1] <u>Byung-Cheol Min</u>, Eric T. Matson, and Jin-Woo Jung, "Finding the Optimal Location and Allocation of Relay Robots for Building a Rapid End-to-end Wireless Communication", *Ad Hoc Networks*. (Under review)
- [2] Daniel K. Schrader, <u>Byung-Cheol Min</u>, and Eric T. Matson, "Real-time averaging of position data from multiple GPS receivers", *Measurement*. (Under review)
- [3] Byung-Cheol Min, Eric T. Matson, and Jin-Woo Jung, "Active Antenna Tracking System with Directional Antennas for Enhancing Wireless Communication Capabilities of a Networked Robotic System", Journal of Field Robotics, 2015.
- [4] Byung-Cheol Min, Eric T. Matson, Jinung An, and Donghan Kim, "Improvement of Violinist Robot using a Passive Damper Device", Journal of Intelligent and Robotic Systems, Vol. 72, Issue 3-4, pp. 343-355, Dec. 2013.
- [5] Byung-Cheol Min, John Lewis, Eric T. Matson, and Anthony H. Smith, "Heuristic Optimization Techniques for Self-orientation of Antennas in Long-distance Point-to-point Broadband Networks", Ad Hoc Networks, Vol. 11, Issue 8, pp. 2252-2263, Nov. 2013.
- [6] John Lewis, Eric T. Matson, Sherry Wei, and <u>Byung-Cheol Min</u>, "Implementing HARMS-based Indistinguishability in Ubiquitous Robot Organizations", *Robotics and Autonomous Systems*, Vol. 61, No. 11, pp. 1186-1192, Nov. 2013.
- [7] Dong-Hoe Kim, <u>Byung-Cheol Min</u>, and Donghan Kim, "A Dust Detection Sensor System for Improvement of a Robot Vacuum Cleaner", *Journal of Institute of Control, Robotics and Systems*, Oct. 2013.
- [8] Cory Q. Nguyen, <u>Byung-Cheol Min</u>, Eric T. Matson, Anthony H. Smith, J. Eric Dietz, and Donghan Kim, "Using Mobile Robots to Establish Mobile Wireless Mesh Networks and Increase Network Throughput", *International Journal of Distributed Sensor Networks*, Vol. 2012, Article ID 614532, 2012.
- [9] Byung-Cheol Min, Moon-Su Kim, and Donghan Kim, "Fuzzy Logic Path Planner and Motion Controller by Evolutionary Programming for Mobile Robots", *International Journal of Fuzzy Systems*, Vol. 11, No. 3, pp. 154-163, Sep. 2009.
- [10] Byung-Cheol Min, Donghan Kim, Yoon Hyuk Kim, Ki Yeoul Kim, and Chongkug Park, "Development of Violin Self-Training Algorithm Using Fuzzy Logic", Journal of Korean Institute of Intelligent Systems, Vol. 19, No. 4, Aug. 2009.

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- [12] Byung-Cheol Min, Suryansh Saxena, Aaron Steinfeld, and M. Bernardine Dias, "Incorporating Information from Trusted Sources to Enhance Urban Navigation for Blind Travelers", *IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA)*, Seattle, Washington, May 26-30, 2015.
- [13] Byung-Cheol Min, Eric T. Matson, Anthony H. Smith, and J. Eric Dietz, "Using Directional Antennas as Sensors to Assist Fire-fighting Robots in Large Scale

- Fires", 2014 IEEE Sensors Applications Symposium (SAS 2014), Queenstown, New Zealand, Feb. 18-20, 2014.
- [14] Byung-Cheol Min and Eric T. Matson, "Robotic Follower System using Bearing-only Tracking with Directional Antennas", in Proc. International Conference on Robot Intelligence Technology and Applications (RiTA), pp. 37-58, 2014.
- [15] Esther Rolf, Matt Whitlock, <u>Byung-Cheol Min</u>, and Eric T. Matson, "Enhancing Wi-Fi Signal Strength of a Dynamic Heterogeneous System Using a Mobile Robot Provider", in Proc. International Conference on Robot Intelligence Technology and Applications (RiTA), pp. 927-937, 2014.
- [16] Jae-Seok Yoon, <u>Byung-Cheol Min</u>, Seong-Og Shin, and Donghan Kim, "GA-based Optimal Waypoint Design for Improved Path Following of Mobile Robot", in *Proc. International Conference on Robot Intelligence Technology and Applications* (RiTA), pp. 127-136, 2014.
- [17] Byung-Cheol Min, Eric T. Matson, and Bakytgul Khaday, "Design of a Networked Robotic System Capable of Enhancing Wireless Communication Capabilities", 11th IEEE International Symposium on Safety, Security, and Rescue Robotics (SSRR 2013), Sweden, Oct. 21-26, 2013.
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- [25] Byung-Cheol Min, Ji Hyeon Hong, and Eric T. Matson, "Adaptive Robust Control (ARC) for an Altitude Control of a Quadrotor Type UAV Carrying an Unknown Payloads", 2011 11th International Conference on Control, Automation and Systems (ICCAS 2011), KINTEX, Gyeonggi-do, Korea, Oct. 26-29, 2011.
- [26] Eric T. Matson and <u>Byung-Cheol Min</u>, "M2M infrastructure to integrate humans, agents and robots into collectives", *Instrumentation and Measurement Technology Conference (I2MTC)*, 2011 IEEE, Hangzhou, China, May 10-12, 2011.
- [27] Byung-Cheol Min, Hina Chaudhry, Eric T. Matson, Anthony H. Smith, and J. Eric Dietz, "Rural Energy Security using Autonomous Micro-turbine Smart Grids", 2011 IEEE Rural Power Conference (IEEE REPC), Chattanooga, Tennessee, USA, April 10-13, 2011.
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- [29] Byung-Cheol Min, Hee Yeul Kwon, and Donghan Kim, "Path Planning Algorithm for VTOL Type UAVs Based on the Methods of Ray Tracing and Limit Cycle", IEEE International Symposium on Computational Intelligence in Robotics and Automation (CIRA 2009), Dajeon, Korea, Dec. 2009.
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- [4] Byung-Cheol Min et al., "LED Lighting Apparatus with Air Levitation System", Patent No. 1010905640000, November 2011. (Korean Patent)
- [5] Byung-Cheol Min et al., "Embedding Device for RFID Tag", Patent No. 101056 8640000, August 2011. (Korean Patent)

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ACTIVITIES

Journal Editor

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 - Guest Editor of Machines Special Issue on 'Sensors and Machines for Human Well-Being"

Conference Program Committee

- Co-organizer, 2015 International Workshop on Communication for Humans, Agents, Robots, Machines and Sensors (CHARMS 2015), Belfort, France, August 17–20, 2015.
- Technical Program Committee, 2015 IEEE Sensors Applications Symposium (SAS 2015), Zadar, Croatia, April 13–15, 2015.
- Associate Technical Program Chair, the 6th International Conference on Automation, Robotics, and Applications (ICARA 2015), Queenstown, New Zealand, February 17– 19, 2015.
- Technical Program Committee, International Workshop on Security and Privacy in Machine-to-Machine Communications (M2MSec'14), San Francisco, CA, USA, October 29, 2014.
- Technical Program Committee, 2014 IEEE Sensors Applications Symposium (SAS 2014), Queenstown, New Zealand, February 18–20, 2014.
- Program Committee, the 4th International Conference on Emerging Ubiquitous Systems and Pervasive Networks (EUSPN 2013), Niagara Falls, Ontario, Canada, October 21–24, 2013.

Journal Reviewer

- Journal of Field Robotics
- Journal of Intelligent and Robotic Systems
- International Journal of Advanced Robotic Systems
- Journal of Institute of Control, Robotics an Systems
- IEEE Transactions on Mechatronics
- IEEE Transactions on Systems, Man, and Cybernetics, Part C: Applications and Reviews
- IEEE Journal on Selected Areas in Communications
- Proceedings of the Institution of Mechanical Engineers, Part C: Journal of Mechanical Engineering Science
- Soft Computing
- Journal of Electromagnetic Waves and Applications
- Multimedia Tools and Applications
- The Journal of Korea Information and Communications Society (J-KICS)

Conference Reviewer

- IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA) (2015)
- AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence (AAAI) (2015)
- IEEE/RSJ International Conference on Intelligent Robots and Systems (IROS) (2014)
- IEEE Sensors Applications Symposium (SAS) (2012, 2013, 2014, 2015)
- International Conference on Robot Intelligence Technology and Applications (RiTA) (2012, 2013)

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- Chinese Control Conference (CCC) (2009)

Invited Talks

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- Dongguk University, Seoul, Korea, April (2015)
- Korea Institute of Science and Technology (KIST), Seoul, Korea, April (2015)
- Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN, February (2015)
- Transportation Research Board 94th Annual Meeting, Washington D.C., January (2015)
- École Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne (EPFL), Lausanne, Switzerland, March (2014)

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