# CoRL 2022 Review Mini Conference on Robot Learning



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### Conference Venues

Colour meaning:

- Owen G. Glen **Building Entrance** 12 Grafton Rd
- E1
- Engineering Building 1<sup>st</sup> Entrance 5 Grafton Rd
- E2
- Engineering Building 2<sup>nd</sup> Entrance 12 Symonds St
- OGG Building 260 260 **Building 405** 405 **Building 401** 401



#### Addresses: 5 Grafton Rd, 12 Grafton Rd, 12 Symonds St



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# **Robot Demonstrations**











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# **Robot Demonstrations**









# Navigation

- BEHAVIOR-1K: A Benchmark for Embodied AI with 1,000 Everyday Activities and Realistic Simulation Oral Presentation
- LM-Nav: Robotic Navigation with Large Pre-Trained Models of Language, Vision and Action
- Offline Reinforcement Learning for Customizable Visual Navigation Oral Presentation
- Do As I Can, Not As I Say: Grounding Language in Robotic Affordances Best Systems Paper Award Finalist



### **BEHAVIOR-1K: A Benchmark for Embodied AI with 1,000 Everyday Activities and Realistic Simulation**





### LM-Nav: Robotic Navigation with Large Pre-Trained Models of Language, Vision and Action



**Observations in Target Environment** 







## LM-Nav: Robotic Navigation with Large Pre-Trained Models of Language, Vision, and Action

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https://sites.google.com/view/lmnav





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## **Offline Reinforcement Learning for Customizable Visual** Navigation



- Goal is not merely to reach a particular destination without collision, but to do so while maximizing some desired utility measure.
  - obeying the rules of the road, staying in a bike lane or off the lawn, maintaining safety
- It used a topological graph as a nonparametric memory
- node to another.
- Then, finds the optimal path using Dijkstra algorithm, which maximizes the value
- Extracted meta labels, such as "sunny" and "grassy", from RGB observations and use it as additive rewards.



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• The node in the graph represents the state and the edges represents the cumulative reward the robot will accumulate as it travels from one

# **Offline Reinforcement Learning for Visual Navigation**



- Dhruv Shah<sup>‡</sup>, Arjun Bhorkar<sup>‡</sup>, Hrish Leen, Ilya Kostrikov, Nicholas Rhinehart, Sergey Levine
  - **Conference on Robot Learning (CoRL) 2022** Auckland, New Zealand





### Do As I Can, Not As I Say: Grounding Language in Robotic Affordances





#### I spilled my drink, can you help?

#### **Value Functions**

"find a cleaner" "find a sponge" "go to the trash can" "pick up the sponge" "try using the vacuum"



#### SayCan

"find a cleaner" "find a sponge"

"go to the trash can" "pick up the sponge" "try using the vacuum"



I would:

- 1. find a sponge
- 2. pick up the sponge
- 3. come to you
- 4. put down the sponge
- 5. done



# Supplementary Video for "Do As I Can, Not As I Say: Grounding Language in Robotics Affordances"

Robotics at Google and Everyday Robots

# **Open-World Detection**

Semantic Abstraction: Open-World 3D Scene Understanding from 2D Vision-Language Models



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# **Open-Vocabulary Scene Completion**

Text Input

**Scene Completion** 

#### **RGB-D** Input



Semantic labels

# **Open-Vocabulary Scene Completion**

Text Input

#### **RGB-D** Input



Scene Completion



What about objects that are really hard to see (i.e, visually-obscured)?

e.g., How can we tell the robot to take the

**lemon** on the shelf



# Autonomous Vehicle

LEADER: Learning Attention over Driving Behaviors Best Paper Award Finalist



## **LEADER: Learning Attention over Driving Behaviors**

## LEADER: LEARNING ATTENTION OVER DRIVING BEHAVIORS FOR PLANNING UNDER UNCERTAINTY

Mohamad H. Danesh, Panpan Cai, David Hsu



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# Manipulation

- Evo-NeRF: Evolving NeRF for Sequential Robot Grasping Oral Presentation
- SE(2)-Equivariant Pushing Dynamics Models for Tabletop Object Manipulations Oral Presentation



### **Evo-NeRF: Evolving NeRF for Sequential Robot Grasping**



(A) Early Stopped Image Capture





(B) Incremental NeRF Optimization

(C) Grasp



### **Evo-NeRF: Evolving NeRF for Sequential Robot Grasping**



(a) Full Capture Trajectory







(c) Update Trajectory



(d) Consecutive NeRF Updates





## SE(2)-Equivariant Pushing Dynamics Models for Tabletop **Object Manipulations**





### The pushing dynamics model needs to be equivariant to the SE(2) transformation.

 $\{\mathbf{CT}'_i\}_{i=1}^N = f(\{(\mathbf{CT}_i, \mathbf{q}_i)\}_{i=1}^N, (\mathbf{Rot}(\mathbf{\hat{z}}, \theta)\mathbf{p} + \mathbf{t_{xv}}, \mathbf{Rot}(\mathbf{\hat{z}}, \theta)\mathbf{v}))$ 

for all object numbers  $N \leq M$  and rigid-body transformations C that have the following form

where  $\operatorname{Rot}(\hat{\mathbf{z}}, \theta)$  is a  $3 \times 3$  rotation matrix for rotations around z-axis and  $\mathbf{t_{xy}} = (t_x, t_y, 0) \in \mathbb{R}^3$ .







## SE(2)-Equivariant Pushing Dynamics Models for Tabletop **Object Manipulations**

### **Pushing Demos**





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# **Inverse Reinforcement Learning**

- Training Robots to Evaluate Robots: Example-Based Interactive Reward Functions for Policy Learning 4
- Learning Agile Skills via Adversarial Imitation of Rough Partial Demonstrations **Best Paper Award Finalist**





### **Training Robots to Evaluate Robots: Example-Based Interactive Reward Functions for Policy Learning**

Learning an interactive reward function from successful / failure cases





## **Training Robots to Evaluate Robots: Example-Based Interactive Reward Functions for Policy Learning**















# ETC

- DayDreamer: World Models for Physical Robot Learning
- Watch and Match: Supercharging Imitation with Regularized Optimal Transport *Best Paper Award Finalist*
- Proactive Robot Assistance via SpatioTemporal Object Modeling
- Real-time Mapping of Physical Scene Properties with an Autonomous Robot Experimenter Oral Presentation
- Temporal Logic Imitation: Learning Plan-Satisficing Motion Policies from Demonstrations Oral Presentation



# DayDreamer: World Models for Physical Robot Learning





A1 Quadruped Walking UR5 Multi-Object Visual Pick Place

## Learned from Scratch in the Real World





XArm Visual Pick and Place

Sphero Ollie Visual Navigation



# Watch and Match: Supercharging Imitation with Regularized Optimal Transport







#### Stack Cups



#### Open Box





Press Switch



#### Pouring Almonds





# Real-time Mapping of Physical Scene Properties with an Autonomous Robot Experimenter

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### **Temporal Logic Imitation: Learning Plan-Satisficing Motion Policies from Demonstrations**











#### Collecting Demonstrations for Scooping Task





# Take-home Messages

- CoRL: the best conference for robot learning.
- Large language model is an inevitable technology.







# **Oral & Poster Presentation**

### **Signal Semantic Graph Memory** RLAB or Image-Goal Navigation CoRL 2022 (oral)

Obin Kwon, Hwiyeon Yoo, Yunho Choi, Jeongho Park, and Songhwai Oh ent of Electrical and Computer Engineering, Seoul National University

Paper 471: Topological Semantic Graph Memory for Image-Goal Navigation

#### Topological Semantic Graph Memory for Image-Goal Navigation CoRL 2022 (oral)

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# Thank you for your attention





