Research Showcase

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While research is useful, it becomes infinitely more useful when people know about it and it can be utilized in the world. This form of spreading information can be done through publications, day to day talking or presentations.

This past week there was the opportunity to present the research that I have conducted over the computer vision over the past 4 months at the annual ISM Research Showcase. In doing this, the research conducted and the product developed is now publicly available to the world.

This is one of the first times my original work was presented. Because of this factor, there were certain challenges that arose. The primary challenge was formulating the process into such a way that it would be easy for the general public to understand. The first few times presenting, the terminology used was still rather quite complex. Upon presenting 10 to 20 to 30 times, the way of presenting became simplified and became the idea presentation to present difficult technical concepts to the general public.

Reflecting for the future, by being able to present high advanced topics to the public, I have improved my general presentation skills and have geared myself up for the remainder of the year. These presentation skills will come in handy when conducting other presentations whether it be in ISM such as the original work presentation or final product presentation or in other classes. Showcase has also proven to be a valuable event to network because of the great variety of people there and the chance to reconnect with old peers. All things considered, I have come out of showcase as an improved and more refined individual.

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