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### **EDUCATION**

### Birla Institute of Technology Mesra, Ranchi, India,

Jul 2016 - Jul 2020

Bachelor of Engineering, Electrical and Electronics Engineering

Cumulative GPA- 7.94/10.0

Bachelor's Thesis: Assisted Teleoperation of Robotic Arm for Remote Maintenance in Hazardous Environment

Best Thesis in the EEE Dept

### WORK EXPERIENCE

### **Project Engineer**

Aug 2021 - Aug 2022

NewSpace Research and Technologies Pvt Ltd

Bangalore, India

- Developed decentralized path planning framework for UAVs (fixed wing and multicopters) from scratch.
- Scaled the system to operate on 1000km\*1000km map size and 50m\*50m grid size.
- Optimized A\* using a heuristic and interfaced it to the Ground Control Station using Flask Server

### RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

# Assisted Teleoperation of Kinova Arm for Remote Maintenance in Hazardous Environment

Feb 2020 - Jul 2020

Short Term Research Internship at Survey, Mechatronics and Measurement Group, CERN

Geneva, Switzerland

- The objective of the research was to improve the efficiency of the semi-autonomous system which will be used for teleoperating the Kinova Arm for robotic interventions in hazardous environment at CERN.
- The efficiency of the semi-autonomous system was 75%.

Mr. Mario D Castro

# Exploiting Autonomy for Enhancing Remotely Guided Operation of Ground Vehicles

May 2019 - Jun 2019

Summer Research Internship at Intelligent Vision and Automation Labs, Georgia Tech

Atlanta, USA

- The objective of the research was how shared autonomy enhances teleoperation or remote teleguidance.
- The task performance of the mobile robot was tested for three cases- manual teleoperation, fully autonomous and semi-autonomous system by comparing the objective scores. Path Planning was done in Perception Space.
- A subjective scoring method was formulated in the form of a user-experience survey. Dr. Patricio Antonio Vela

## **PROJECTS**

### Automated navigation of a 4 wheeled robot

May 2018 - Jul 2018

• Proposed a Mathematical approach and developed an algorithm for static obstacle avoidance. Validated the above algorithm by testing it on a 4 wheeled robot using ultrasonic sensors. The trajectory of the robot was PID tuned using Simulink model of the 4 wheeled robot.

Prof. Subrat Kumar Swain

### Pick and Place Harvester Robot

Nov 2017 - Feb 2018

Built this Robot for E-vantra Robotics Competition organized by IIT Bombay

Project Repo

### **SKILLS**

C, C++, Python, MATLAB, Embedded C, ROS, OpenCV, TensorFlow, PyTorch, Git, GitHub, LaTeX, ArduPilot, PX4, Simulink

- **Teaching Experience:**Taught Courses Electronics and Introduction to Robotics to Robolution Club Freshers (Strength of 40 students)
- Volunteering Experience: Organized Robotics Exhibitions and Workshops in BIT Mesra for freshers. ART of Living Volunteer in Ranchi 2016 and 2019.