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INTRODUCTION

Senior in Mechanical Engineering at the University of Pennsylvania.

My current interests span **Learning-based control** and **physics simulation**.

Education

-  University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, USA Aug 2025 – May 2027 (Expected)
 - *M.S.E. in Mechanical Engineering and Applied Mechanics* (Accelerated 3+2 Dual-Degree Program)
-  Shanghai Jiao Tong University, Shanghai, China Aug 2022 – June 2026 (Expected)
 - *B.S. in Mechanical Engineering*

Project Experience

- Optimal Control for Nonlinear Systems— University of Pennsylvania.*** Aug 2025 – Oct 2025
 - Implemented Linear Quadratic Regulator (LQR) and Model Predictive Control (MPC) algorithms for nonlinear dynamic systems in Python.
 - Designed a trajectory optimization pipeline and evaluated controller performance through simulation.
 - Visualized system responses and control inputs.
- UR16e Manipulator Simulation — Shanghai Jiao Tong University*** March 2025 – Jun 2025
 - Modeled a 6-DOF UR16e robotic arm using modified Denavit–Hartenberg parameters.
 - Derived and implemented dynamic equations for torque-based control and motion planning.
 - Developed and validated control algorithms and trajectory planners in a modular MATLAB/Simulink framework.

Awards

- Exchange Scholarship (Tuition Waived)***
 - University of Pennsylvania
- Outstanding Course Project Award***
 - SJTU ME3220

Skills

Python, MATLAB, C++, Git, PyTorch (basic), Simulink