# Arpit Dwivedi

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#### **Education**

#### **Stanford University**

Sept 2024 - Jun 2026

Master of Science in Aeronautics and Astronautics Engineering

• Coursework: Convex Optimization, Robot Perception, Principles of Robot Autonomy, Advanced Robotic Manipulation, Decision Making Under Uncertainty, Optimal and Learning Based Control

#### **Indian Institute of Technology Bombay**

Nov 2020 - May 2024 GPA: 9.43/10

Bachelor of Technology with Honors in Mechanical Engineering

Minor in Artificial Intelligence and Data Science

• Coursework: Adaptive Control, Non-Linear Dynamical System, System Theory, Differential Geometric Methods in Control, Reinforcement Learning, Advanced Machine Learning, Estimation on Lie Groups, Online Learning and Optimization

## **Research Experience**

# **Design and Control of Snake Robot** | Controls and Computing Lab, IIT Bombay

Jul 2023 - Jul 2024

Guide: Prof. Dwaipayan Mukherjee

- Developed a novel decentralized control algorithm for stabilization and precise trajectory tracking for snake robot
- Designed & fabricated modular snake robots consisting of resin 3D printed ABS modules with parallel joint axes
- Formulated dynamics & tested open loop control inputs for the serpentine locomotion of assembled snake robot

#### **Self-Driving Car (SeDriCa – UMIC)** | *Innovation Cell, IIT Bombay*

- Implemented Non-linear Model Predictive Control (NMPC) with discrete-time dynamic bicycle model for optimal control inputs ensuring smooth driving and communication among modules in Robot Operating System (ROS)
- Improved ego vehicle path planning & safety tracking by fusing Artificial Potential Fields with Model Predictive Control
- Integrated low-level steer controller with other modules for real-time deployment, conducting vehicle testing under ideal conditions, and establishing communication with the drive-by-wire system using the CAN module

Control Design for Offshore Wind Turbine | Control Engineering Lab, UBC Vancouver

May 2023 - Jul 2023

Guide: Prof. Ryozo Nagamune

- Designed and tuned a PID nacelle-yaw controller for the IEA-15MW semi-submersible offshore turbine, achieving an overall 6.6% fluctuation from mean output power
- Developed a learning control strategy for offshore wind turbines using the deep deterministic policy gradient method

### **Selected Publication**

Y. Niu, A. Dwivedi, J. Sathiaraj, P. P. Lathi and R. Nagamune, "Floating Offshore Wind Farm Control via Turbine Repositioning: Unlocking the Potential Unique to Floating Offshore Wind", IEEE Control Systems, vol. 44, no. 5, pp. 106-129, 2024, doi: 10.1109/MCS.2024.3432342

### **Projects**

#### Multirobot Navigation Under Uncertainty | Stanford University

Sep 2024 - Dec 2024

- Implemented an Extended Kalman Filter (EKF)-based state estimator for improving multi-robot navigation accuracy
- Deployed a multi-agent control strategy by adapting POMCP double progressive widening algorithm to solve POMDP

# Adaptive Control of Spacecraft Attitude | IIT Bombay

Aug 2022 - Nov 2022

- Developed a Control Lyapunov Function (CLF) based controller to stabilize the pre-defined attitude dynamics
- Utilized adaptive integrator backstepping for precise trajectory tracking under initial inertia offset of 30%

## **Vision based Pick and Place** | Stanford University

Sep 2024 - Dec 2024

- Achieved 96% mIoU in object detection with U-Net-based segmentation for precise feature delineation in 2D images
- Trained an end-to-end grasping algorithm using grasping affordance maps for enhanced object manipulation

# **Technical Proficiency**

**Programming Languages Softwares & Tools** Libraries & Packages

C++, Python, MATLAB

ROS, Linux, Gazebo, Git, RViZ, SolidWorks, ANSYS, Simulink, Arduino PyTorch, OpenCV, PyBullet, CVXOPT, roscpp, rospy, NumPy, Pandas, SciPy,

Matplotlib, Seaborn, Plotly, Keras