

# Hridai Ambati

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## EDUCATION

### Georgia Institute of Technology

*Bachelor of Science in Aerospace Engineering*  
Minor in Scientific Engineering and Computing  
GPA: 3.8

Atlanta, Georgia  
May 2023 – Dec 2025

## SKILLS

Framework Development  
Convex Optimization  
C++, Python, MATLAB

GNC  
State Estimation  
ROS 2, MuJoCo, SysML

Multi-Agent Autonomy  
Cooperative Control  
Motion Planning

## WORK EXPERIENCE

### Aerospace Robotics Laboratory (ARL)

*Undergraduate Researcher*

Atlanta, Georgia  
Jan 2025 – Present

- Develop tools and frameworks for autonomous spacecraft testing, GNC, and multi-agent mission design
- Research spacecraft GNC with faculty and graduate students on algorithms, dynamics modeling, and optimization

### Aerospace Systems Design Laboratory (ASDL)

*Undergraduate Researcher*

Atlanta, Georgia  
Jan 2024 – May 2025

- Built object-oriented SysML and Simulink ascent models for NASA Space Shuttle, Saturn V, and Falcon Heavy
- Simulated closed loop ascent control, with gimbal error under 5 degrees and velocity within 10%

## PROJECT EXPERIENCE

### Formation Flying Spacecraft Simulation Framework | <https://hridaia.github.io/portfolio/projects/flagship.html>

*ARL Research*

Jan 2025 – Present

- Developed a high-fidelity simulation framework using ROS 2 and MuJoCo to model multi-agent formation flight
- Simulated 5+ spacecraft with robotic arms, MOI, relative orbit, and contact dynamics using RK4 at 1 kHz
- Integrated C++/Python architecture with accelerometer, gyroscope, and camera fusion at 0.5 kHz via EKF/UKF
- Implemented GNC for pathfinding, cooperative control, collision avoidance, and vision-based state estimation

### Optimal Guidance and Control for Orbital Injection | <https://hridaia.github.io/portfolio/projects/orbital-injection.html>

*Optimal Guidance and Control*

May 2024 – May 2025

- Formulated an optimal rocket ascent and orbital injection problem with state and costate dynamics
- Designed linear feedback guidance about the nominal trajectory and validated open/closed loop results

### 3D Quadcopter DDP Guidance and Control Simulation | <https://hridaia.github.io/portfolio/projects/quadrotor-ddp.html>

*Robotics and Autonomy*

May 2024 – May 2025

- Used differential dynamic programming on a 12-state quadrotor to generate obstacle-avoiding trajectories
- Built a receding horizon MPC controller and tested on simulated Robotarium hardware for closed-loop validation

## CAMPUS & COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

*Georgia Tech Ramblin' Rocket - GNC*

Aug 2024 – Present

- Collaborated on a comprehensive rocket GNC simulation architecture and class hierarchy in MATLAB
- Built environment models for 0-100 km altitudes and 0-35 m/s wind gusts and perturbations
- Developed inertial state estimation algorithms and IMU fusion to minimize RMSE at 200 Hz
- Simulated LQR with 1000+ Monte Carlo runs varying aerodynamics, thrust, mass, and environmental conditions

## RELEVANT COURSEWORK

Orbital Mechanics

Two-body/N-body, orbit determination, maneuvers, rendezvous

Optimal Guidance and Control

Variational methods, Pontryagin principle, LQR, numerical methods

Robotics and Autonomy

Planning and control, state estimation, SLAM, multi-robot systems