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TECHNICAL EXPERTISE

Mechanical Design & Prototyping: SolidWorks, AutoCAD, Fusion 360, 3D Printing, CNC & Dovetail & Fixture Machining, MasterCAM, WARDJet Waterjet Robotics, Automation & Control Systems: LabVIEW, SMAC Actuator, Load Cell Calibration, Closed-Loop Control, RobotStudio, Siemens, Allen Bradley, ROS, OpenCV, Linux, Arduino, C++, Python, SQL

Simulation & Analysis: Simulink, MATLAB, ANSYS, FEA

Additional Background: English, Mandarin, Cantonese, Clarinet (First-Chair, Kansas All-State Band), Acoustic Guitar, Soccer (Varsity Captain)

EDUCATION

University of California San Diego

Sept 2021 - June 2025

Mechanical Engineering with Specialization in Control & Robotics

GPA: 3.6/4.0

Pueblo, CO

WORK EXPERIENCE

Trane Technologies

July 2024 - December 2024

Advanced Manufacture Engineering Automation Co-op

- Automated Chiller Line: Supported the design of a turnkey robotic production line for assembling water-cooled and air-cooled shell. Developed RFQs and negotiated with vendors to secure competitive pricing and quality components.
- Standardized Work: Streamlined workflows and reorganized station layouts in collaboration with technicians, achieving a 20% reduction in cycle time and aligning with lean manufacturing principles.
- Robotic Solutions: Programmed and integrated FANUC M-710iC 12L robots, optimizing motion speeds up to 200 mm/s while maintaining ±0.05 mm precision. Ensured seamless integration with Allen Bradley PLCs and HMIs.

PROJECTS

Biomechanical Culture System Cellxercise

January 2025 - Present

UC San Diego

- SMAC Integrator & Precision Machinist

 Research Objective: Developed a bioreactor delivering 20 N force at 10% strain and 1 Hz to simulate physiological conditions for tissue maturation.
 - Precision Control: Programmed LabVIEW closed loop with SMAC actuator and ATO load cell, achieving 0.01 mm resolution and 5 µm accuracy.
 - Modular Design: Machined sterilizable steel clamps and aluminum lift plates using MasterCAM, HAAS CNC mills, and WARDJet waterjet.

Autonomous Vehicles GitHub

January 2024 - Present

UC San Diego

- Deep Learning Integration: Integrated TensorFlow into the Donkey Car framework and enhanced configurations for autonomous driving.
 - Lane Detection: Transitioned to OpenCV and ROS2 for lane detection-based positioning, ensuring precise track navigation.
 - Component Development: Developed a camera mount, Jetson Nano case, and remote emergency off switch for the vehicle.

Robot Project

Project Lead

September 2022 - December 2022

UC San Diego

Linkage Designer

- Rapid Prototyping: Developed and prototyped a robotic lift mechanism using laser cutting and SolidWorks for 2D and 3D designs.
- Technical Improvements: Implemented a double torque system, enhancing lifting capability by 30% and optimizing power component functionality.
- Geometric Analysis & Reporting: Applied GD&T principles and produced detailed reports on force, torque, and speed analyses of power components.

RESEARCH

Xtreme Materials Laboratory

July 2022 - January 2023

Researcher

UC San Diego

- Material Design: Engineered advanced composite materials using precision machining with tolerances of ±10 μm and solvothermal synthesis at temperatures up to 200°C, enhancing process efficiency by 15%.
- Synthesis and Purification: Conducted complex chemical procedures, including acid-washing, ultrasonication, and centrifugation, achieving 93% purity in a controlled nitrogen glove box environment.

Boomerang Research Laboratory

February 2023 – Present UC San Diego

Researcher

- UWB Experiments: Oversaw UWB Testing to track boomerang paths. Contributed to an AIAA paper on wing tip deflection.
- Airflow Simulations: Integrated trajectory data into MATLAB to improve boomerang orientations through airflow simulations.
- Field Testing: Conducted 15 trials for six joint angles in low wind. Compared experimental results with simulations to assess the impact of joint angles.

LEADERSHIP

ASME UCSD Chapter

 $September\ 2023-Present$

UC San Diego

- Co-Chair
 Onboarding: Oversaw the recruiting, hiring, and onboarding process for the 50-member community. Managed the member feedback system.
 - Networking Initiatives: Hosted Intern Mixer, Mentor-Mentee sessions, and MATLAB workshops, fostering communication and collaboration among
 engineering students.

SKILLS