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3A Mechatronics Engineering - Al Option | University of Waterloo | B.A.Sc (2016 - 2021)

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SKILLS

Software

C++, C, C#, Java, Python, Javascript

Tools

ROS, Linux, Git, FreeRTOS, OpenCV, OpenGL, HoloLens, Unity, IAR, VisualStudio, MATLAB

Hardware Mechanical

- LabVIEW, NXP ARM M3/4, AVR, PLC, Arduino, ESP8266, Soldering, Rapid Prototyping
- Fusion 360, AutoCAD, SolidWorks, VectorWorks, Laser Cutting, 3D printing, Machining

EXPERIENCE

Jack of All Robots | Trexo Robotics

(Sept. 2018 - Dec. 2018)

- Built medical paediatric exoskeletons for children with walking difficulties & brought back a smile to many families
- Developed a robust full stack software system that covers from firmware (C, FreeRTOS, Cortex M4 & AVR), middleware (ROS & ROS_Control, Linux Environment), debugging tools (Python), and Android applications (C, C++, Java, ROS Java), providing a seamless and comfortable rehabilitation experience
- Researched and developed a new control system allowing patients to initiate steps as they please
- Optimized Android application by over 50% in CPU, memory, and thread usages

Team Lead | Hummingbot - International Autonomous Robot Racing Team (IARRC)

(Jan. 2018 - present)

- Leading and managing a team of 20 students, developing a fully autonomous mobile robot that is capable of maneuvering through obstacles, lanes, and traffic signs in high speed on rough terrains (*Jetson TX2, ZED, M4*)
- Conducting mechanical, electrical and software system designs for the robot (SolidWorks, ROS, C++, C)

AR Software Engineering Intern | Interaptix Augmented Reality

(Jan. 2018 - April. 2018)

- Created a state-of-the-art real-time AR project and also conducted various R&D in CV and ML
- Developed a variety of evaluation tools (C++, OpenGL, Python) for multi-camera synchronization and networking
- Implemented custom calibration and point-cloud rendering for multiple RGB-D cameras

Embedded Firmware Developer | Baanto, Nytric Inc.

(May. 2017 - Aug. 2017)

- Improved performance of the firmware and developed a unique and adaptive algorithm (C++) to recognize polygon shapes for multi-touch ShadowSense touchscreens in realtime over 60Hz in all form factor
- Devised useful analysis tools (Excel, VBA, Python) and a real-time sensor data visualizing application (C#, C++, Unity), which minimized time and efforts spent on debugging and testing by over 60% (The visualizer has also being used for conference demos to showcase complex operations behind the scenes)

Product Manager | TobyX (Startup)

(May. 2017 - Nov. 2017)

- Devised a dynamically scalable IoT system to provide a revolutionary experience for hotel services
- Designed and prototyped embedded hardware systems such as smart wireless outlets, thermostats, and hub
 devices with a secured local network system (ESP8266, ARM boards, C++/C)

PROJECTS

Ctrl-F-IRL (Mar. 2018)

• Made a real-time offline AR searching tool on the Android platform, which brings 'Ctrl-F' experience in real life to highlight all key words in a glance with the cellphone camera (Java, ABBYY)

TrackyfAl (Sept. 2017)

 Built a surveillance processing tool (for Canadian Special Operations Force Command) that allows military analysts to better analyze large quantities of video footage (YOLO, Python, OpenCV)

Project Helm (Feb. 2017)

 Designed and developed a smart IoT helmet for bikers that provides haptic feedback and visual cues for both bikers and approaching vehicles (C, C++, Xadow Kit, IMU)

Synthesizer (Jan. 2017)

 Created a music synthesizer from scratch within 12 hours, using provided Arduino, Gyro, and other hardware components. (2nd place in IEEE Hackathon) (C, C++, Rapid Prototyping)

Robotic Arm

Designed and built a versatile robotic arm with 4 DoF to perform supervised tasks (C++, C)

(Nov. 2016) Implemented a PD controller, a sigmoid trajectory, and inverse kinematics for a smooth operation

ACTIVITIES

CogDrive

Undergrad research assistant for autonomous vehicles with a focus on mobile robots

IARRC Org.

Initiated a new organization team for the 2019 International Autonomous Robot Racing Competition

WATonomous

■ Implemented a more accurate and efficient lane perception algorithm (C++, OpenCV)

UW MarsRover

Worked on mechanical and computer vision systems for an autonomous Mars Rover robot

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A short break to retrieve myself back from my work to discover the beauty of every moment