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MichaelBonnet

EDUCATION

University of Alabama

MS in Aerospace Engineering and Mechanics

Tuscaloosa, AL

May 2025

University of Texas at Arlington

BS in Computer Science, Certificate in Unmanned Vehicle Systems

Arlington, TX

May 2022

SKILLS & TECHNOLOGIES

- o Programming Languages: C, C++, Python, ARM Assembly, MATLAB, Bash
- o Software & Processes: MATLAB/Simulink, Robot Operating System (ROS), Buildroot, Machine Learning, Tensorflow, Computer Vision, OpenCV, Git, Command Line, Vim, Linux/Unix, macOS, Windows, Agile Development, JIRA, Atlassian products, Internet of Things (IOT), CAD (SolidWorks, AutoCAD)
- o Hardware: Robotics, Commercial & Self-Built Drones, Autonomous Vehicles, Flight Controllers (Pixhawk), Raspberry Pi, Microcontrollers, Xilinx products (PicoZed SOM), Software Defined Radio (inc. RTL-SDR LimeSDR)

EXPERIENCE

Terran Orbital Irvine, CA

Flight Software Engineer

May 2022 - Present

- o Configured custom Linux-based operating systems for NASA Pathfinder Technology Demonstrator satellites in low-earth orbit
- o Designed and tested performant C++ embedded software for orbital satellite solar panel arrays
- o Tested, evaluated, and debugged flight software and hardware on projects totaling dozens of spacecraft
- o Supported launches of company and customer payloads to low-earth orbit (LEO) and translunar trajectories with flight software troubleshooting both in mission control and on call

Lockheed Martin

Fort Worth, TX; Grand Prairie, TX

Software Engineer Intern

May 2021 - May 2022

- Designed and implemented manufacturing software controlling 6 DOF robotic arms with structured light scanners to aid in metrology and manufacturing excellence for PAC-3 Patriot missiles and F-35 programs
- o Researched DevOps tools like Ansible and Jenkins CI for potential use by EO and other teams; research report lead to changes in development workflow and 10+ hours of labor saved per month
- o Developed practices and documentation for properly using Git version control within an Agile (Scrum) development cycle, earning opportunity to continue working past the summer internship
- o Developed data integration software using Java and Java-based tools

PROJECTS

Network Exploitation Drone

Drones, RF Engineering, Penetration Testing, Networks

- o Senior capstone project to build a drone that carries a Raspberry Pi sensor and networking payload that locates and identifies open Wireless Access Points before scanning the network and exploiting any vulnerabilities.
- \circ Served as Team Leader on a six-student team that earned sponsorship from Elbit Systems of America; finishing 85% under budget and 6 months ahead of schedule

Autonomous LEGO EV3 Robots

Robotics, Python, Intelligent Systems

- Robot 1, "Solomon", solved a painter's tape-demarcated maze with known configuration, starting point, and goal point using A* search with a Manhattan distance heuristic
- o Robot 2, "Rehoboam", using color and ultrasonic sensors, solved a similar maze with unknown initial position, with the goal of finding an object in the maze and pushing it out of position
- o Robot(s) 3, "Babylon I, II, III", implemented the four behaviors of Braitenberg Vehicles, changing their velocity and heading based on where they perceive signals to be coming from via ultrasonic and IR sensors.