WINSTON DOSS

EDUCATION

Indian Institute of Technology Madras | Exchange Student (Final Year)

May 2024

Worked under Dr. Bijo Sebastian and Dr. Lakshmi Narasimhan on Perception for Autonomous vehicles

CGPA: 8.8/10.0

National Institute of Technology (NIT), Puducherry

Bachelor of Technology in Electronics and Communication Engineering

CGPA: 8.68/10.0 (First class with Distinction)

May 2023

PUBLICATION

Marveldoss, W., Joshika, B., & Sebastian, B. "Tracking and estimation approach for human-aware mobile robot navigation" *IEEE Sensor Letters*. Early Access. DOI:10.1109/LSENS.2024.3492373, 2024

June 2023-Aug 2024

RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

Warehouse Drone

Sept 2024-Present

Competition Project | Team Lead

- Leading a team of four to develop a quadcopter for autonomous warehouse operations, addressing the growing need for efficient supply chain solutions.
- Designed and simulated a PID controller in Gazebo-ROS2 for precise flight stabilization and implemented an ArUco marker-based vision system to navigate the complex airspace, avoiding obstacles and locating critical packages.

Teaching Assistant

July 2024-Present

Introduction to Field and Service Robotics (ED5315), Engineering Design, IIT Madras

- Designed Python-based assignments with CoppeliaSim integration to enhance student comprehension of the Extended Kalman Filter, and automated evaluations via VPL with custom grading scripts.
- Led classroom tutorials and provided exam support, assisting with invigilation and grading to facilitate both learning and administration

Self-Balancing Bike Robot

Aug 2023-Jan 2024

Competition Project

- Developed a non-conventional self-balancing robot with a front omniwheel for lateral movement and a rear wheel for propulsion, achieving unique mobility
- Designed and implemented an LQR-based control system in Octave for real-time stabilization, later fine-tuned through simulation in CoppeliaSim.
- Assembled the physical robot and successfully transferred the control algorithm to hardware, ensuring stability in real-world operations

Omni-Wheel Robot with Camera-Based Localization

Sep 2023-Feb 2024

Competition Project

- Developed a go-to-goal controller for an omni-wheel robot to follow waypoints for drawing, with real-time control via Wi-Fi communication between a laptop and ESP32
- Integrated Aruco marker-based localization using a calibrated overhead camera, simulated the system in Gazebo, and successfully assembled and deployed the physical setup

Multi-Robot Path Planning for Warehouse Logistics

Feb 2024 - Apr 2024

Course Proiect

- Designed and implemented a centralized multi-robot system for warehouse logistics, optimizing task completion time with static obstacles using three algorithms: Serial A*, CBS A*, and Serial RRT.
- Simulated the system in CoppeliaSim and evaluated the algorithms based on planning time, path steps, and execution time, highlighting the strengths and trade-offs of each.

Atum Robotics, Anna University Incubation Cell

Jun 2022 – Aug 2022

Robotics-Embedded Engineer, Intern

- Developed a cloud-integrated web application using Node-RED to control a droid remotely
- Programmed an ESP32 microcontroller to interface with the Node-RED platform hosted on AWS, enabling real-time command transmission over the Internet.

RELEVANT COURSEWORK

Introduction to Field and Service Robotics | Introduction to Motion Planning | Marine Autonmous Vehicles | Image signal Processing | Control systems | Robotics Labratory | Soft Computing | Embedded systems Design

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Languages: Python, C/C++, Matlab, Octave, Verilog

Tools/Platforms: ROS, ROS2, CoppeliaSim, Gazebo, Arduino, UR5 Robotic Arm, Pioneer 3-AT