Research Interests

Mobile Robots, Disaster-response Humanoid Robots, IoT & Networks, Machine Learning

Education

Guangdong University of Technology

Guangzhou, China. PR

- B.Eng., Department of Electrical Engineering

09/2016 - 06/2020

- GPA: 3.3/4.0
- Research Topics: Humanoid Robots, Mobile Robots
- Area of Study: Power System, Robotics, Control Theory & Engineering

Northeastern University

Boston, MA, USA 06/2020 - 08/2020

- Department of Electrical & Computer Engineering
- GPA: 3.33/4.0
- Area of Study: Internet of Things

Publications

Conference

[1] Zhifeng Huang, Zijun Wang, Jiapeng Wei, Jingtao Yu, Yuhao Zhou, Pihao Lao, Xiaoliang Huang, Xuexi Zhang, & Yun Zhang, "Three-Dimensional Posture Optimization for Biped Robot Stepping Over Large Ditch based on a Ducted-fan Propulsion System," in IROS'20, [PDF] [Video]

Research Experience

Robotics Lab 409, Guangdong University of Technology Student Researcher | PI & Supervisor: Prof. Zhifeng Huang 10/2018 - Present

- Conducted experiments of utilizing the optimized genetic algorithm to minimize the thrust by optimizing the humanoid robot *Jet-HR1*'s posture during 3D stepping to accomplish large obstacle-crossing motion [1]
- Conducting research on flying humanoid robot *Jet-HR2* with optimized mechanical, embedded system, and control strategy to accomplish versatile dynamic motions

Research Projects

Mobile Robot: Ares

10/2017 - 01/2018

- Designed and built the mechanical and circuit system of the 15kg mobile robot, alleviated the gyroscopic inertia in manipulation by optimizing the design of the drum spinner weapon system
- Lead a team of 3 & as the manipulator, participated in the first robot combat competition series in China

Humanoid Robot: Jet-HR1

10/2018 - Present

- A prototype disaster-response humanoid robot innovatively utilized the ducted-fan propulsion system for balancing the gravitational moment [Video]
- Conduct experiments based in 2D & 3D gaits to accomplish large obstacle-crossing (97% of the robot's leg length, and a height difference of 100mm between two sides)

Jet-Powered Flying Humanoid Robot: Jet-HR2

01/2019 - Present

- A 12 DoFs disaster-response humanoid robot with 6 ducted-fans installed at the pelvis and feet to have the capacity of flight, contact locomotion, and manipulation
- Individually designed the mechanical system of the robot with special modular joint featured with lightweight, high precision, and high torque
- Implemented dynamic simulations of the prototype robot in PyBullet
- Led the design, fabrication, and experiments of prototype robot such as jet-jumping, hovering, and flying motions
- Algorithm focused on Whole-Body Loco-Manipulation and Aerial Manipulation

Advanced
Course
Projects

TMP1170 Electrical Testing Technology (Guangdong U of Tech) 18 Fall Semester Designed and implemented a high-precision speed detection system for electro-hybrid powered vehicles. Showed that the accuracy of the velocity testing system meets the requirement with a tolerance of less than ± 1RPM [Highest Score among 269 students]

EECE7398 ST: Building Blocks for IoT (Northeastern U) 20 Summer Semester Implemented a correlation power analysis (CPA) attack and recover a full round key used in an AES encryption process; Designed, implement and test an orthogonal frequency division multiplexing (OFDM) receiver in the modern wireless communication system [Score 87.8%, B⁺]

Professional Experience

CloudMinds Robotics Co., Ltd.

Beijing, China. PR

10/2017

Hardware Engineering Intern, R&D Department

robot manufactured by SoftBank Robotics

07/2019 - 08/2019 Hardware test and optimized modification on the cloud Pepper humanoid service

Awards Student Awards

Guangdong University of Technology

Outstanding Bachelor's Degree Graduation Thesis 06/2020System Design of Flying Humanoid Robot [PDF] (Top 5%)

Contest Awards

FMB Competition Championship

Organizer: Shanghai Jizhan Sports & Culture Development Co., Ltd.

The first robot combat series competition held in China, as Team Leader

3rd Place, Jiaxing, Autumn Season

4th Place in Domestic Group, Sanya, All-Star Invitational 01/2018

Top Eight in International Group, Sanya, All-Star Invitational 01/2018

The 16th Challenge Cup

Organizer: Ministry of Education of China

National College Student Curricular Academic Science and Technology Works Competition, as Team Member

3rd Award, School-level 03/2019

College Students' Innovative Entrepreneurial Training Plan Program

Organizer: Ministry of Education of China

School-level funded project, NO. XJ2019118451521, as Team Leader 03/2020

[Project Completed with Good Evaluation]

State-level funded project, NO. 201911845010, as Team Member 03/2020[Project Completed with Outstanding Evaluation]

Design - Auto CAD, SolidWorks Programming - Python, MATLAB

Skills