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Education

University of Wisconsin Madison 2019-2023

Bachelors in Electrical Engineering with Machine Learning and Data Science, and Bachelors in Computer Science

Overall GPA: 3.63

2022-2023 GPA: 4.00

Publications

”Influence of Prosthetic ankle-angle and walking speed on pylon moments in the Two Axis aDaptable Ankle”

-Peter G Adamczyk, Kieran Nichols, Rebecca Roembke, Sofya Akhetova

IEEE Transactions on Medical Robotics and Bionics (in progress)

Conferences and Symposium Presentations

UW Madison Undergraduate Symposium in 2023 as first author on a poster.

4th Great Plains Biomechanics Conference in 2023 as first author on a poster.

UW Madison First Wisconsin Robotics Symposium in 2023 as second author on a poster.

Work Experience

Research in Peter Adamczyk’s Lab Group

2022-Current

Research Assistant in the area of Biomechatronics at UW Madison

- Improve and add functionality to a robotic ankle in ROS with a combination of python, C++, and C code that talks to remote nodes, XSENS, Europa+, IMU.
- Design, build, and test electrical and software components for a sheep prosthetic.
- Develop and test real-time gait detection control system with self-adjusting thresholds for conferences and symposiums as a first author.
- Engage in the study of scientific literature to gain insights into the advancements made in the field and identify areas that require further investigation and improvement.
- Conduct and design human trials.
- Process data, draw scientific conclusions, and quantify success of systems and controls.
- Design and 3D print a box to hold all the electrical components for an ankle prosthetic.
- Help with writing and publishing multiple papers as a second author.
- Help to run Dynamic Walking 2022.

Oshkosh Corporation

2023

Software Autonomy Intern

- Developing a pipeline for the conversion of OpenDRIVE to Lanelet2 HD maps in order to facilitate autonomous driving systems.
- Researching and reading academic literature on most novel tools for map format conversions, and talking to researchers about tools that they have developed.
- Developing code to improve tools that were prototyped by other companies and universities.
- Creating simulation scenarios using dSPACE for testing DARPA requirements.
- Designing supplementary DARPA based tests for control systems within SIMPHERA and Simulink.
- Understanding and utilizing control signals using Simulink.

Collins Aerospace
Electrical Engineering Intern

2022

- Designing, making, and testing circuits that consist of sound input and output, op amps, adc, dac, serializer, deserializer, comparators, differentiators, amplifiers, power resistors, resistors, frequency filters, voltage and current sources, and more.
- Prototyping electrical system of devices of Slaves/Masters with Raspberry Pi that communicates through I2C.
- Helping with reverse engineering products.
- Testing hardware and communication buses through the oscilloscope.
- Working with simple hardware designs on Xilinx FPGAs.

NorthStar Medical Radioisotopes
Manufacturing Engineering Intern

2021-2022

- Collaborating with test engineers to finalize a software solution before its deployment in real-world applications.
- Adding features to software that works with a state machine.
- Creating electrical fixtures, softwares, and interfaces for testing using serial communication, python, arduino, pyside2, and pyqt5.
- Calibrating sensors and troubleshooting them with the manufacturer.
- Using SQL and python to parse through data and upload it to the database.

Research in AJ Boydston's Lab Group

2019-2021

Research Assistant in the area of polymers and 3D printers at UW Madison

- Building and coding a 3D printer (Arduino and Marlin based).

Leadership

- UW Madison Fencing Club Vice President.
- IEEE Eta Kappa Nu Vice President.

Teaching

- Undergraduate TA for ECE 532 Matrix Methods in Machine Learning under Eduardo Arvelo.

Awards

- Zarnstorff, William and Beverly University League Endowed (Electrical and Computer Engineering) Scholarship receiver in 2023.
- 3rd place in MadHacks 2023.
- Teresa and Kathleen Strickland Scholarship receiver in 2022.
- Ernest W. Reynolds (Electrical Engineering) Scholarship receiver in 2021.
- Eugene and Patricia Kreger (Research in Chemistry) Scholarship receiver in 2020.
- James Schleifer (Chemical Engineering) Scholarship receiver in 2020.

Skills

Professional

Python
Java
C
SQL
ROS
Arduino
MATLAB
dSPACE
XSNS

Professional cont.

LTSpice
Oscilloscope
Circuit design
Soldering
FPGAs
Vivado
Microsoft
Linux
Simulink

Concepts

Operating Systems
Algorithms
AI/Machine Learning
Data Structures
UI
Real-Time Detection
Simulation
Signal Processing
Robotics

Concepts cont.

Digital Circuit Design
Analog Circuit Design
FPGA
Embedded Systems
Motion Control Systems
Academic Writing and Reading
Conducting and Designing
Experiments
Data Processing

Personal

Fluent in
Russian
Fluent in
English