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PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

A life-long learner with a passion for engineering and academia. A dedication to discipline and rigorous practice has helped develop an attitude for success within an engineering team and organization. Past projects span a variety of topics including the testing and development of a 3.5MW diesel generator engine, automating rocket launch vehicle geometry trade space exploration, as well as the modeling, programming, and testing of autonomous drones and ground vehicles. It is a belief of mine that anything is possible with the proper planning and execution. I always look to learning from others' experiences and communicate my own to best determine the solutions to complex engineering problems.

SKILLS

- Siemens NX, Fusion 360, Solidworks, ANSYS
- Project Management, Leadership Ability
- MATLAB, Python, Linux, Robotics Operating System
- Machine Learning, Dynamics, Control Systems

WORK HISTORY

Systems Engineering Intern, 5/2022 – 8/2022 (0.25 year)

Astra Space – Alameda, CA

- Developed in house automated aero-thermal optimization tool to study rocket launch vehicle geometry trade spaces
- Created software tools to expedite the development of high-level requirements for rocket launch vehicle designs

Graduate Research Assistant: Research Lead, 1/2021 – 1/2023 (2 years)

Distributed Intelligence and Robot Autonomy Lab – Clemson, SC

- Lead the construction, testing and development of an autonomous quadruped robot
- Researcher at the virtual prototyping of ground vehicles (VIPR-GS) center in the real-time controls group
- Developing new Koopman operator-based controls theory with major theoretical contributions in optimal control
- Advising 3 undergraduate research teams in learning simulation, hardware and software for autonomous systems

Undergraduate Research Assistant: Research Lead, 12/2018 – 12/2020 (2 years)

Clemson Autonomous Systems Team – Clemson, SC

- Lead 2 independent projects to develop prototype autonomous air and ground vehicles
- Developed and field-tested mapping, localization, path planning and multiagent algorithms
- Experience working with Robotics Operating System (ROS) and performing HITL/SITL testing
- Worked with NVIDIA Jetson AI compute platforms in the Linux operating system (TX2, Xavier NX)

Development Test Engineer COOP, 05/2018 - 08/2019 (1 year)

MTU Rolls Royce Power Systems AG – Graniteville, SC

- Prepare experiments and follow test procedures for diesel engine development
- Support a multi-disciplinary international team, communicate, and coordinate tests globally
- Engine test stand data analysis and drawing conclusions from tests for further improvement
- Independently managed my own time and schedule to meet internal and external deadlines

EDUCATION

Clemson University

Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering,

Minor in Mathematical Sciences

Master of Science in Mechanical Engineering,

Thesis: Koopman Spectral Theory and Data-Driven Dynamical Systems for Control

Clemson, SC

December 2020

GPA: 3.60

December 2022

GPA: 3.58

Recent Publications

A. Krolicki, S. Sutivani, and U. Vaidya, "Koopman-based Policy Iteration for Robust Optimal Control"

IEEE American Control Conference (ACC), Atlanta, GA, January 6th, 2022 [Published]

A. Krolicki, et. al., "Modeling Quadruped Leg Dynamics on Deformable Terrains using Data-driven Koopman Operators"

IEEE Modeling Estimation and Control Conference (MECC), Jersey City, NJ, October 2nd, 2022 [Published]

A. Krolicki, D. Tellez, and U. Vaidya "Nonlinear Dual-Mode Model Predictive Control using Koopman Eigenfunctions"

IEEE Conference on Decision and Control (CDC), Cancun, Mexico, December 6th, 2022 [Accepted]