# Alfred Cueva

#### **EDUCATION**

## Georgia Institute of Technology

Aug. 2025 – May 2027 Georgia, United States

MS in Robotics

• Coursework: Deep Reinforcement Learning, Computer Vision, Robotics Research

#### Seoul National University

Mar. 2020 – Feb. 2024

BS in Mechanical Engineering (Robotics Concentration) | GPA: 9.12/10.0

Seoul, South Korea

• Coursework: Reinforcement Learning, Humanoid Robotics, Autonomous Navigation, Deep Learning, Linear Control

#### SKILLS

Languages: Python, C++, MATLAB, Julia

Frameworks: Pytorch, ROS, Git, Gazebo, Isaac Gym/Sim/Lab, PyBullet, Movelt, MuJoCo, CoppeliaSim

Research Interests: Deep Reinforcement Learning, Robot Learning, Motion Planning

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Samsung C&T
Robotics Engineer

Mar. 2024 – Aug. 2025
Seoul, South Korea

• Developed obstacle detection system using YOLOv5 for collaborative robots with 92% accuracy.

- Engineered control software using Disturbance Observer, reducing steady-state error by 15% and enhancing precision of a novel 7-DOF manipulator. This work was awarded \$10,000 in the [Smart Construction Challenge].
- Implemented RRT\* for KUKA/DOOSAN mobile manipulators, enabling their operation in cluttered environments.
- Engineered Hybrid A\* for collaborative robots, creating ROS pipelines and testing environments towards integration.
- Designed human-machine interface for robotic operation, integrating software with visualization tools (Rviz, Gazebo).

Samsung C&T Engineering Intern Jul. 2023 – Aug. 2023

Seoul, South Korea

• Engineered heat anomaly detection models for semiconductor sites, improving heat map estimation efficiency by 40%.

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

## Georgia Institue of Technology | LIDAR Lab | Prof. Ye Zhao

Aug. 2025 – Present

• Developing policies for humanoid robots to perform complex loco-manipulation tasks, such as opening doors and transporting boxes, using diffusion policy fine-tuning with reinforcement learning in the loop.

#### Seoul National University | DYROS Lab | Prof. Jaeheung Park

Dec. 2022 – Feb. 2024

- Developed a Deep Reinforcement Learning framework to find optimal actuator designs for legged robots with weak actuation using model-free RL and Bayesian Optimization.
- The proposed method boosted maximum forward velocity by 19% while improving velocity tracking accuracy, and cut transportation costs by 22% by maintaining a robust symmetric gait under added-mass conditions.
- Awarded Outstanding BS Thesis Presentation (1 out of 120 graduates) [Paper]

#### Seoul National University | Soft Robotics Lab | Prof. Yong-Lae Park

Dec. 2021 – Mar. 2022

• Designed capacitive touch sensing grid as force-control interface for industrial sewing robots, increased speed by 20%.

# RELATED PROJECTS

# Deep Reinforcement Learning on 2D Bin Packing Problem | SNU [GitHub] Aug. 2024 - Sept. 2024

- Developed custom Reinforcement Learning environment for a 2D BPP utilizing a multi-component reward function.
- Achieved an average load factor of over 0.8 under randomized input box order and squeezing constraints.

## RC Car Autonomous Driving | SNU [GitHub]

Aug. 2023 - Nov. 2023

- Built and tested autonomous driving pipelines by implementing pure pursuit and behavior cloning for navigation.
- Deployed and fine-tuned learning control policies, achieving reliable performance on a real RC car in a racing challenge.

#### **SCHOLARSHIPS**

Global Korea Scholarship. National winner, full funding for undergraduate studies Mar. 2019 – Mar. 2024 Ministry of Education, Republic of Korea