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EXPERIENCE

Mechanical Engineering Intern

San Diego, CA

NewBeeDrone

October 2018 - Present

- Design drone frame prototypes with SolidWorks, build proof-of-concept models with SLA and FDM 3D printers
- Improve designs for injection molding manufacturing, create quality check processes for final products
- Analyze Betaflight PID control loop code for improvement over competitors, build and test over 5 different drone prototypes for flight characteristics with varying parameters in Betaflight
- Aid in optimization of order fulfillment through improving warehouse layout and logistics

Drone Class Instructor

Kigali, Rwanda

World Mission Secondary School

December 2017 - July 2018

- Created ~35 hours of curriculum for a summer tech camp that was later integrated into the school's IT club
- Taught the physics and engineering of quadcopters and how to build/fly them, including topics such as Proportional-Integral-Derivative (PID) feedback loops, manufacturing, and brushless motor theory

STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS

Design-Build-Fly (DBF) Team Engineering Competition

UCSD

Controls Lead Engineer, Team Pilot

January 2018 – Present

- Assisted with composite fabrication, soldering, wiring, battery management, system controls, payload design
- Operated hot-wire cutter for wing prototyping, utilized air vacuum to streamline wing surface
- Designed a continuous-rotation servo driven radome and a high-volume payload dropping mechanism

Students for the Exploration and Discovery of Space (SEDS)

UCSD

Student Mechanical Engineer - Colossus Team

May 2018 – October 2018

- Redesigned the calibration system for Colossus, a 4500 lb static fire test stand sponsored by NASA
- Engineered a system of pulleys/springs and winch attached to a load cell for increased calibration accuracy

PROJECTS

Scratch-Built Racing Drone

Ongoing

Designed layout, soldered electronics to circuit board, created 3D printed parts and achieved speeds >80 mph, gained knowledge and technical skill regarding: flight controllers, Electronic Speed Controllers (ESC), First-Person-View (FPV) technology, long range telemetry systems, etc.

3D Printing Ongoing

Assembled a Fused Deposition Modeling (FDM) 3D printer for personal projects, modeled objects in SolidWorks CAD and learned how to configure optimal print settings, currently exploring XFLR5 CFD software

HONORS

- I-SWEEEP Energy Bronze Medal (Top 1% in region) International science fair
- FIRST World Championship Subdivision Finalist (Top 5% in region) FRC Team 2473 robotics competition

SKILLS

Machining

- Prototyping
- MATLAB
- Electronics
- SolidWorks
- 3D Printing
- Quadcopters
- Computer-aided drafting

COURSEWORK

- MATLAB Prog. for Aerospace Materials Engineering Analysis
 - Science
- Linear Algebra
- Differential Equations
- Mech I: Statics
- Spacecraft Guidance I
- Mech II: Dynamics
 - Java