Keshav Bimbraw

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EDUCATION

Worcester Polytechnic Institute (WPI), Worcester, MA

Ph. D. student in Robotics Engineering (Medical FUSION Lab)

Aug '20 - now

Concentration - Medical Robotics, Ultrasound Image Processing & Machine Learning

4.00/4.00 GPA

Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, GA

M. S. with Robotics Focus (Music Technology, Computer Software & Media Applications)

Aug '17 - May '19

Concentration – Human Augmentation, Medical Robotics & Robotic Musicianship

3.56/4.00 GPA

Thapar University, Patiala, India

B. E. in Mechatronics Engineering (Research Intern - IIT Delhi, Jan – Jul '16)

July '13 – June '17

Concentration – Robotics & Mechatronics

GPA - 4.00/4.00 GPA (8.34 CGPA)

EXPERIENCE

WPI

Worcester, MA

Research Assistant (Medical FUSION Lab)

March '20 – now

- Lead the development of a Deep Learning based pipeline to predict finger joint angles and hand configurations from forearm ultrasound images. Results communicated to ICRA '22. ArXiv preprint. Video.
- Developed a novel Augmented Reality based lung ultrasound scanning guidance system (MICCAI ASMUS '20). Paper. Video.

Agile Resources Inc.

Peachtree City, GA

Audio DSP Engineer at Panasonic Automotive Systems of America

Oct '19 - March '20

- · Worked on Qualcomm's Hexagon SDK for audio applications in Eclipse on Android framework development.
- Utilized Qualcomm tools to evaluate audio modules such as Bass Mid Treble, Parametric Equalizer, Fade & Balance etc.

Bose Corporation

Stow, MA

Active Noise Control Engineering Intern in Automotive Systems Division

May '19 – Oct '19

- Worked on sound synthesis for electric vehicles and implementing processor optimized signal processing algorithms.
- Implemented and evaluated a variable bandwidth shifting bandpass filter (in MATLAB) on an electric vehicle with a random noise source. Developed a physical car sound simulation system using Logitech pedals to evaluate models and reduce testing time.

Georgia Tech

IIT Delhi

Atlanta, GA

Research Assistant (Robotic Musicianship Lab)

Aug '17 - May '19

- Lead the Skywalker project from Aug '18 May '19. My robot and code were featured in the first episode of The Age of A.I. Link.
- Investigated a combination of Ultrasound & EMG data using supervised learning algorithms to enhance assistive robot control. Link.
- Upgraded the expressivity of Shimon (Marimba playing robot) by replacing its actuators and control scheme. Link.
- Translated Piano playing to robots using a single DOF system and designed a robotic hand with one DOF per finger. Link.
- Developed an ultrasound in the loop tendon based wearable exoskeleton for upper extremity rehabilitation of stroke survivors. Link.
- Computer-Aided Design (CAD), Fusion 360, 3D printing and Mechatronics Instructor for Project Studio Course. Link.

New Delhi, India Jan '16 – Aug '16

Programmed two KUKA KR-5 robotic arms to collaboratively play a guitar. Link.

$Research\ Intern\ (Autonomous\ Robotics\ Lab)$

- Developed a Control Module for RoboAnalyzer using C# to simulate control of mass spring damper & single link robotic arm systems.
- Improved performance of a 6 DOF motion platform at Simulator Development Division, Secunderabad, India. Link.
- Developed a Teach pendant to control virtual robots in RoboAnalyzer. Link.
- Modified the mechanical and electrical design of Tulsi Bead making device under rural development initiative of IIT Delhi.

ACADEMIC PROJECTS

Navigation of a Raspberry-Pi based Robot using various sensors

Fall '18

- Used data from Raspberry Pi camera to find center of a ball and track it by actuating Dynamixel motors attached to the robot.
- Used Lidar data to avoid obstacles and maintaining a specific distance from them while moving towards a goal.
- Achieved goal position by classification & real time prediction of various waypoints using support vector machine.

Design of an ultrasound guided vein cannulation robot

- Spring '18
- Oversaw a 5-person multi-discipline team to develop a medical robot that can hold an ultrasound probe to detect jugular vein.
- Designed and programmed a PRRRP configuration robot for its end effector to reach specific positions in the robot workspace.

SKILLS

Software Skills
3D Design/3D printing
Electrical/Electronic skills

Python, C++, MATLAB, TensorFlow, ROS, Linux, NumPy, matplotlib, OpenCV SolidWorks, Autodesk Inventor, Autodesk Fusion 360, Tinkercad, PreForm Arduino, Raspberry Pi, Motors, Actuators, Hardware & software interfacing

LEADERSHIP

Leadership Experience at WPI

Fall '20 - now

- · Senator representing Robotics Engineering Department for the Graduate Student Government at WPI.
- Member of the Rho Beta Epsilon Robotics Engineering society at WPI. Hosted a C++ workshop for beginners at WPI.
- Graduate Student Officer at The Alliance: the social, educational, & professional support network of LGBTQIAP+ students at WPI.

Vertically Integrated Projects (VIP) Instructor at Robotic Musicianship Lab at Georgia Tech

Fall '17 – Spring '19

- Lead teams of undergraduates to involve them in robotics and mechatronics research.
- Mentored students to work on real life robotics projects & improving their project presentation skills.

Diversity and Inclusion Fellow at Georgia Tech

Spring '19

- Lead efforts in making Georgia Tech a more inclusive campus by organizing student and faculty activities at GTCMT.
- Took an initiative to enroll students & faculty in campus activities related to promoting a diverse & inclusive community.

HONORS & AWARDS

• Selected for 2021B cohort of Google Research's CSRMP program. First person at WPI to have ever been selected.	September '21
• Awarded PhD positions at WPI & Georgia Tech. Accepted the WPI offer. (Tuition support & \$31824 yearly award)	March '20
 Selected to be Diversity and Inclusion Fellow by Georgia Tech Institute Diversity (\$1000 award) 	February '19
 Selected as NSF-NRT ARMS (Accessibility, Rehabilitation, & Movement Science) Trainee (\$1500 award) 	August '18
 Scholarship to pursue masters at Georgia Tech (Tuition support & \$14100 yearly award) 	August '17
 Awarded merit scholarships and grants totaling INR 336,000 at Thapar University. 	June '17

PUBLICATIONS

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- [2] Tsumura, R., Hardin, J.W., **Bimbraw, K.**, Grossestreuer, A.V., Odusanya, O.S., Zheng, Y., Hill, J.C., Hoffmann, B., Soboyejo, W. and Zhang, H.K., 2021. Tele-Operative Low-Cost Robotic Lung Ultrasound Scanning Platform for Triage of COVID-19 Patients. *IEEE Robotics and Automation Letters*, 6(3), pp.4664-4671. <u>Paper Link</u>. <u>Video</u>.
- [3] **Bimbraw, K.**, Ma, X., Zhang, Z., Zhang, H. (2020). Augmented Reality-Based Lung Ultrasound Scanning Guidance. In: *Medical Ultrasound, and Preterm, Perinatal and Paediatric Image Analysis. ASMUS 2020, PIPPI 2020.* Lecture Notes in Computer Science, vol 12437. Springer, Cham. doi.org/10.1007/978-3-030-60334-2_11. Paper Link. Video.
- [4] **Bimbraw, K.**, Fox, E., Weinberg, G. and Hammond, F. L. (2020). Towards Sonomyography-Based Real-Time Control of Powered Prosthesis Grasp Synergies. In: 2020 42nd Annual International Conference of the IEEE Engineering in Medicine & Biology Society (EMBC), Montreal, QC, Canada, 2020, pp. 4753-4757, doi: 10.1109/EMBC44109.2020.9176483. Paper Link. Video.
- [5] Mehta, I., **Bimbraw, K.**, Chittawadigi, R. G., & Saha, S. K. (2016). A teach pendant to control virtual robots in Roboanalyzer. In: 2016 Int. Conference on Robotics and Automation for Humanitarian Applications (RAHA) (pp. 1-6). IEEE. Paper Link.
- [6] **Bimbraw, K.**, Mehta, I., Venkatesan, V., Joshi, U., Sabherwal, G. S., & Saha, S. K. (2016). Performance improvements of a 6-DOF motion platform. In: 2016 International Conference on Robotics and Automation for Humanitarian Applications (RAHA) (pp. 1-5). IEEE. Paper Link.
- [7] Kaur, M., Singh, G., **Bimbraw, K.**, & Uniyal, P. (2015). Study of phase transformation and microstructure of alcohol washed titania nanoparticles for thermal stability. In: *AIP Conference Proceedings* (Vol. 1675, No. 1, p. 030049). AIP Publishing. <u>Paper Link</u>.
- [8] **Bimbraw, K.** (2015). Autonomous cars: Past, present, and future. In: 2015 12th International Conference on Informatics in Control, Automation and Robotics (ICINCO) (Vol. 1, pp. 191-198). IEEE. Paper Link.