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**EDUCATION** 

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**Georgia Institute of Technology** 

Atlanta, GA 2021 - 2023

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M.S. Robotics concentration in AI, Computer Vision, Controls

GPA: 3.83/4.00

**Tennessee Technological University** 

Cookeville, TN

B.S. Mechanical Engineering concentration in Mechatronics

GPA: 3.95/4.00

2015 - 2019

#### **EXPERIENCE**

### **Graduate Research Assistant - Healthcare Robotics Lab**

2022 - 2023

- Applied machine learning to assistive household robotics
- Led projects, designed and trained models, implemented interpretability tools, collected and curated video datasets, designed data capture hardware and protocol
- Led a lab reading group focusing on transformers, RL, and current robotics papers

# **Project Lead Robotics Engineer - E.G.O. Products**

Summer 2022

- Programmed AGV to store and deliver 500 spools to 4 lines with robust error handling
- Trained 30+ workers to interact with my custom user interface and the robot
- Manager of robotics line, added a buffer to the line which alleviated a large bottle neck

# **Project Lead Engineer - Johnson Controls**

2020 - 2021

- Designed and launched a new sprinkler with tamper resistant design for use in prisons
- Submitted two invention disclosures for sprinkler products I designed

### **Mechanical Engineer - Protomet Manufacturing**

Summer 2018

• Designed and manufactured a universal speaker mount that has been sold to companies and designed other products

#### **Engineer - Oak Ridge National Laboratory**

Summer 2018

• Worked with Fire Modeling software (FDS) to discover the optimal building safety design

### **PUBLICATIONS**

Collection of Data on AI Progress

In Progress

- AI models history & costs, hardware, software, & benchmark progress, AI papers published, forecasting, etc.
- ~Scalable transformer based Robot Learning, Text Commands and Images as Input~

In Progress

• ~Using a transformer to train a scalable model, handles tasks such as "open drawer" and "pick up penny"~

Visual Contact Pressure Estimation for Grippers in the Wild - Link

2023

• With an image as input, our model can estimate contact pressure and force/torques for robot grippers

#### **PROJECTS**

### **Learning Robotic Tasks from Video Demostration**

2022

• Designed a robotic system to learn control policies using only video data in a simulated robot env with a transformer

### **Combination and Benchmark of RL Models**

2022

• Created a custom RL agent and benchmarked the top RL algorithms using OpenAI Gym

## **NLP Sentiment Analysis**

2022

• Created and trained an NLP model, used on a custom test set of tweets & reddit posts to evaluate sentiment on a topic

### **SKILLS**

<u>Programming</u>: Python, C++, MATLAB, Computer Vision, Machine Learning, Git || <u>Design</u>: Solidworks, CAD, Creo Machineg: Mills, Lathes, CNC Machines || Other: ROS, LabVIEW Linux, ANSYS