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# **Education**

**University of Michigan** 

**Ann Arbor** 

Master of Science in Computer Science

Sep. 2021 - May 2023

**University of Michigan** 

Ann Arbor

Bachelor of Science in Computer Science, GPA 3.8 out of 4.0

Sep. 2019 – May 2021

Core courses: Computer Architecture, Data Structures and Algorithms, Operating Systems, Compiler Construction, Game Development

University of Michigan - Shanghai Jiao Tong University Joint Institute

Shanghai

Bachelor of Science in Electronic and Computer Engineering, GPA 3.6 out of 4.0 Sep. 2017 – Aug. 2021 Core courses: Engineering Probabilistic Methods, Differential Equations, Linear Algebra, Discrete Mathmetics

# **Experience And Activities**

## **Procedural Animation Project**

Leader

Jan. 2021 - Apr. 2021

A research project seeks to introduce methods of motion synthesis in robotics into animation systems

- Wrote an interface to the trajectory optimization library towr in C++
- o Generated a trajectory database for motion matching
- Applied to real-time applications like games

#### **Undergraduate Game Development**

Designer and Programmer

Oct. 2020 - Dec. 2020

A course project for University of Michigan's game developing course

- o Designed core mechanism focused on planning and executing
- Designed the code architecture
- o Implemented enemy AI with complex but reasonable behavior using Goal Oriented Action Planning

#### Research in ARM Lab on Trap Aware Model Predictive Control

Student Researcher

May 2020 - Feb. 2021

An online model-based controller for escaping traps in novel environments

- o Implemented baseline based on Guided Policy Search
- o Implemented baseline based on Soft Actor-Critic

#### **Undergraduate Research Program**

Student Researcher

Nov. 2018 - Apr. 2019

Evaluation of Algorithms for Deep Reinforcement Learning

- o Set up an unified environment that integrates different algorithms and scenarios
- o Implemented reinforcement learning algorithms including PPO and DDPG in TensorFlow
- o Implemented a benchmarking procedure for algorithm evaluating

## Skills

#### **Programming Languages:**

- o C++: Have good coding style; Have experience in multiple projects
- o Rust: Understand ownership, lifetime and traits; Have project experience
- o Python: Be able to implement machine learning algorithms and train agents

Game Engines: Unity (C#), Amethyst (Rust), Bevy (Rust)

Others: Git, Jira, Blender