# Daniel Morton

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#### **EDUCATION**

Stanford University Expected: April 2023

M.S. Mechanical Engineering (Robotics + Autonomous Systems)

Stanford, CA

- Starting research in Jan. 2022 Speaking with: Robotics Lab, Autonomous Systems Lab, AI Lab, and more
- Honors: Finalist, Knight-Hennessy Scholars Program

Cornell University May 2021

B.S. Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering

Ithaca, NY

- GPA: 4.14/4.30
- Honors: Summa cum laude, 2019 McManus Design Award, 2019 Goethe Prize for Writing
- Activities: ASME, Orientation Leader, Tau Beta Pi, Reserve Tennis, Ski Club, Order of Omega, Delta Tau Delta

## WORK EXPERIENCE

## Organic Robotics Laboratory, Cornell University

Aug. 2018 - Sep. 2021

Research Assistant

Ithaca, NY

- Lead researcher (first author): Self-Sensing Morphing Wing via Fiber-Optic-Embedded Compliant Lattice Structures
- Directed three graduate students across design, analysis, and testing of the project.
- Currently leading the state estimation with deep learning research remotely from Stanford
- Developed topology optimization / design workflows to save 100+ hours across multiple students' research

## NASA Marshall Space Flight Center

June 2020 - Aug. 2020

Intern, Propulsion Research & Technology

Huntsville, AL / Remote

- Conceptual modeling of a nuclear-thermal airbreathing vehicle launched from a magnetically-accelerated track
- Programmed tools to create, analyze, and optimize 3D-printed heat exchangers

Boeing May 2019 – Aug. 2019

Intern, Product Development

Mukilteo, WA

- Led a team of six to design and pitch a new, easily-accessible stowage structure integrated into the cabin floor
- Filed for a patent on the above design
- Designed flight-test components for the 2019 ecoDemonstrator program

## Cornell Bio-Inspired Fluids Laboratory

May 2020 - Aug. 2020

Designer – COVID-19 Masks / Filters (Volunteer)

Ithaca, NY / Remote

Weill Cornell Medicine

Apr. 2020 - June 2020

Designer – Artificial Heart Structures (Volunteer)

New York, NY / Remote

#### **HIGHLIGHTED COURSEWORK**

#### Autonomous Mobile Robots – Cornell University

Spring 2021

■ Implemented algorithms on the iRobot Create and in MATLAB simulation – including motion control, localization (Kalman filter/EKF, particle filter), mapping (occupancy grid), path planning (potential functions, PRM, RRT), Dijkstra's algorithm, and more

Current: Principles of Robot Autonomy, Decision Making Under Uncertainty, Machine Learning

Fall 2021

#### **SKILLS & INTERESTS**

- **Programming:** MATLAB, C/C++, Arduino, embedded software. Learning: ROS, Python, Julia, Gazebo
- CAD/CAE: Inventor, SolidWorks, CATIA, Fusion, AutoCAD, COMSOL, nTopology
- Miscellaneous: Robotics, 3D-printing, product design, mill and lathe, watchmaking. Eagle Scout (2016)