

# DAPHNE POON

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## EDUCATION

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**Harvey Mudd College** – Claremont, CA

Expected Graduation: May 2021

*Bachelor of Science in Computer Science and Math*

3.82 GPA

- Hong Kong Scholarship for Excellence awardee (> \$30,000 USD per year).
- Relevant coursework: Autonomous Vehicles, Engineering Systems, Engineering Mathematics, Experimental Engineering, Data Structures and Program Development, Computability and Logic, Algorithms (Spring 2020)

## WORK EXPERIENCE

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**Lyft Level 5 (Autonomous Vehicles Division)** – Palo Alto, CA

June 2020 - August 2020

*Incoming Software Engineer Intern – Compute Infrastructure*

- Exciting things to come!

**Dropbox** – San Francisco, CA

May 2019 - August 2019

*Software Engineer Intern – Search Infrastructure*

- Improved user experience for an estimated 10% of Dropbox searches by building backend functionality in Golang to allow filtering by co-workers' most recently edited files.
- Achieved a 1000x speed up on an HBase backfill over trillions of edits on files by parallelizing batch runs.

**Lab for Autonomous and Intelligent Robotics** – Claremont, CA

June 2018 - December 2019

*Autonomous Vehicle Researcher*

- Incorporated autonomous navigation abilities into a confidential multinational tractor-trailer company's loader vehicles using NumPy/Python, saving up to ~80% of man-hours dedicated to operating the vehicle.
- Closed a path-following control loop to ensure accurate vehicle motion along a pre-defined path within a 0.5m horizontal error tolerance.
- Implemented a smoothed RRT path-planning algorithm that prevents collisions and preserves efficiency.
- Processed camera data using OpenCV to detect and avoid obstacles.

## PROJECTS AND LEADERSHIP

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**Autonomous Ocean Robot** – Claremont, CA

April 2019 - May 2019

- Built an autonomous ocean robot to determine the wind-current relationship near shore.
- Implemented PD control to have robot navigate autonomously to different waypoints and hold its position within a 1m radius of a waypoint while gathering data in turbulent conditions.
- Designed sensor mounts that could rotate to track the heading of a weather vane using Python and Arduino.

**Autonomous Vehicle Competition** – Claremont, CA

September 2017 - November 2017

- Designed, programmed and constructed two autonomous robots to play Capture the Flag using Arduino.
- Placed second out of over twenty teams.

**Committee for Activities Planning** – Harvey Mudd College

April 2018 - Present

*Director*

- Organize off-campus activities for students within our \$30,000 USD annual budget constraint.
- Increased the number of students going off-campus by over 110% within a year.

## SKILLS

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**Programming Languages**

Python, C++, Go, C, Java.

**Tools**

MATLAB, Git, AutoCAD, SolidWorks.

**Native Languages**

English, Cantonese, Mandarin.

**Other Languages**

French (fluent).