Dayi Ethan Dong

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EDUCATION

Yale University, New Haven, CT

B.S., Major(s): Engineering Sciences (Mechanical), Computer Science

August, 2020 – May, 2024

- Cumulative GPA: 3.94; Major GPA: 3.99
- Relevant Coursework: Data Structures & Programming Techniques, Introduction to Systems Programming and Computer Organization, Algorithms, Object-Oriented Programming, Fluid Mechanics, Introduction to Robotics, Control, and Learning

TECHNICAL SKILLS

- Programming Languages: Python, C, Java
- Software: Solidworks, Fusion 360
- Languages: English (Native), Mandarin (Proficient), Spanish (Elementary)

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Carnegie Mellon University, Undergraduate Researcher, Pittsburgh, PA

May, 2023 – August, 2023

- Attended and sponsored through the RISS program
- Conducted research in Professor Howie Choset's BioRobotics Lab on ergodic search and modular robotics

Yale University, Undergraduate Researcher, New Haven, CT

November, 2021 – Present

- Conducted research in Professor Ian Abraham's Intelligent Autonomy Lab on multi-agent robotic experiments and validating algorithms for safe active search and exploration
 - "Safety-Critical Ergodic Exploration in Cluttered Environments via Control Barrier Functions" paper was accepted to International Conference on Robotics and Automation 2023 as second author
 - o "Time Optimal Ergodic Search" paper was accepted to the 2023 Robotics: Science and Systems conference as first author
 - Best Paper Award at the 2023 Robotics: Science and Systems conference
- Collaborated with undergraduate students, graduate students, and other senior researchers on work related to safe, ergodic
 exploration

LEADERSHIP/WORK EXPERIENCE

Yale Code Haven, Treasurer, Classroom Lead, Mentor, New Haven, CT

2020 - Present

- Managed finances and purchases for the organization while coordinating with Yale financial offices
- Planned large interactive events for middle-school students and educators
- Led a class of peer mentors to teach middle-school students Computer Science

Paschar Consulting, College Application Mentor, Virtual

2022 – Present

• Guided high school juniors and seniors through the US college application process by helping them create an application that best reflects their motivations, accomplishments, and ambitions

Alexander Academy, Academic Tutor, Virtual

2021-Present

- Tutored high-school students one-on-one in standardized tests (ACT, SAT)
- Created an online, recorded curriculum for students and tutors to use as a resource

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

- "Safety-Critical Ergodic Exploration in Cluttered Environments via Control Barrier Functions"
 - Paper accepted to International Conference on Robotics and Automation 2023 as second author
 - Poster presentation at International Conference on Robotics and Automation 2023
 - o https://arxiv.org/abs/2211.04310
- "Time Optimal Ergodic Search"

- o Paper accepted to the 2023 Robotics: Science and Systems conference as first author
- o Best Paper Award at 2023 Robotics: Science and Systems conference
- o https://arxiv.org/abs/2305.11643

GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

- Society of American Military Engineers Gift Fund for Scholarships
- Dr. Claire A. Colman Scholarship Fund
- Morton Butler Ryerson Memorial Scholarship Fund
- Robert B. Dodds (M.S.E.E. 1928) Scholarship Fund
- Dean's Research Fellowship
- Yale Summer Experience Award

SOCIETIES

- IEEE Membership
- IEEE Electron Devices Society Membership
- IEEE Robotics and Automation Society Membership
- ASME Membership