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EDUCATION

University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign

Full time - Graduating Aug 2025

Master's in Autonomy & Robotics

- Racing line trajectory optimization at dynamic limits on an autonomous vehicle
- Stanley + PID control of an autonomous vehicle using ROS and Python
- Preliminary work on Adaptive MPC for a variable load mass forklift system
- VGG style transfer image augmentation for training an adverse weather object detection YOLO model
- Human Centered Design of an active wheelchair cushion for pressure injury avoidance with soft robotics

Tecnológico de Monterrey (ITESM)

Dec 2020

Bachelor's in Mechatronics Engineering

SKILLS

Modern/Classical control theory

Computer Vision with deep learning

Version control

Kinodynamic Motion Planning

Agile/Scrum Project Management

Debugging

Optimization

Staff training/onboarding/mentoring

QA manual/automation testing

PROGRAMMING

Python | C++ | Java | Javascript | Ladder logic | PIC Assembly

TOOLS AND FRAMEWORKS

ROS | Gazebo | OpenCV | Pytorch | Labview | Solidworks | MATLAB | SIMULINK | Git | GitHub | FluidSIM | CODESYS | Selenium |

PowerApps & Power Automate

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Google via Qualitest

Quality Lead

Jan 2024 - Aug 2024

Managed quality control projects with successful on-time delivery including QC of Google knowledge panels, Youtube Shorts and Gen-AI answers

Coordinated creation of documentation and training material across three teams (15+ documents)

Subject Matter Expert

Mar 2022 - Jan 2024

Technical expert in triaging and remediation of Google Knowledge Graph, providing guidance and support to a 15 person team

Led four 3-10 person pilot projects unblocking 20+ feature launches

Coordinated and delivered hands on training for new and existing employees (personally onboarded 30+ new hires)

Quality Engineer

Feb 2021 - Mar 2022

Top performer in triaging and remediation of Google Knowledge Graph, earning company wide excellence award

Javascript automation of template creation and filing, email reminders, and project status tracking

Tecnológico de Monterrey

Powerapps Developer

May 2019 - Jul 2020

Delivered rapid prototyping of UX centered mobile apps and scripts for administrative task automation

RELEVANT COURSEWORK AND CERTIFICATIONS

UIUC

Adv. Computational Topics in Robotics | Adv. Computer Control | Autonomous Vehicle System Engineering | Deep Learning for Computer Vision | Interactive Haptic Systems

Other

Universal Robots e-Series & e-Series Pro | Solidworks CSWA Agile Crash Course: Agile Project Management; Agile Delivery | Leadership: Practical Leadership Skills | Python ZTM Bootcamp | Selenium WebDriver with Java