# Eyassu Shimelis

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## **EDUCATION**

### Harvey Mudd College

Aug 2014 - May 2018

B.S. in Engineering, Departmental Honors

Claremont, CA

Relevant Coursework: Autonomous Robot Navigation, Artificial Intelligence, Communications & Information Theory, Data Structures and Program Development, Microprocessor Systems, Advanced Systems Engineering, Multi-variable Calculus, Differential Equations, and Linear Algebra

# Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Feb 2020 - Present

Advanced Studies Program

Cambridge, MA

Graduate Coursework: 16.32 - Principles of Optimal Control & Estimation (Spring '20)

#### WORK EXPERIENCE

# **MIT Lincoln Laboratory**

May 2018 - Present

Assistant Technical Staff, Advanced Concepts and Technologies Group

Lexington, MA

 $\bullet$  Developing algorithms for distributed inference on low-cost sensors and computing devices

### RESEARCH & PROJECTS

## Lab for Autonomous and Intelligent Robotics (LAIR)

Sep 2017 - May 2018

Undergraduate Research Assistant

Claremont, CA

- Developed methods to autonomously tracks sharks with multiple autonomous underwater vehicles (AUVs)
- Simulated and tested control-based trackers in MATLAB, later re-written in C#, and implemented in hardware
- Wrote an AUV simulation library in MATLAB to test graph-based planning methods for multi-agent coordination
- Designed (CAD) and machined waterproof housings for external hydrophone amplification boards

# Systron Donner Inertial

Aug 2017 - May 2018

Senior Capstone Project

Claremont, CA

- Developed a compensation method for highly nonlinear IMU errors using neural network regression
- Validated approach to existing method and presented results in two presentations and a written report

#### Autonomous Robot Navigation (ENGR160)

Jan 2018 - May 2018

HMC Senior-level Robotics Course

Claremont, CA

- Implemented control, sensing, estimation, localization, and mapping algorithms on a mobile robotic system
- Simulated, tested, and deployed an online particle filter (PF) for localization
- Implemented an Unscented Kalman Filter (UKF) and compared its performance to a PF

#### LEADERSHIP & TEACHING EXPERIENCE

MIT Course 16.633

Aug 2019 - Dec 2019

Co-instructor, Autonomous Machines Seminar

Cambridge, MA

- Instructed a 20-person junior robotics course, led by Professors Sertac Karaman and Jonathan How (AeroAstro)
- Developed and taught weekly lectures & labs focused on end-to-end imitation learning for autonomous vehicles

# MIT Beaver Works RACECAR Course Instructor & Outreach Coordinator

Mar 2019 - Present

Cambridge, MA

• Lead a four-week summer course for 50+ high school students interested in self-driving cars

- Develop lectures and labs for the MIT RACECAR platform-a research-grade, 1/10th scale autonomous vehicle
- Organize and teach various weekend courses throughout the year for local, underrepresented students

## **SKILLS**

**Programming:** Python, Julia, MATLAB, C/C#/C++, Java, Verilog, HTML/CSS, Javascript

Technical: Linux, Git, CAD, ROS, LATEX, Machining, 3D Printing, FPGA

Recreational Activities: Running, Sailing, Photography, Rock Climbing, Cooking

#### LINKS

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