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## TECHNICAL SKILLS

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Aerial Robotics; Artificial Intelligence; C++; C#; C/CD; Computer Vision; Control Theory; Convex Optimization; Data Integration; Design Patterns; Docker; Dynamical Systems; Embedded Systems; Gazebo; Git; Linux; MATLAB; Machine Learning; .NET; Path Planning; Python; PyTorch; ROS; ROS2; SLAM; Sensor Fusion. [Technical portfolio](#)

## EDUCATION

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Sep 2024-Sep 2025 - **MSc Robotics & AI - University College London (UCL)**, London, UK - Distinction (4.0 Equivalent)

Sep 2020-May 2024 - **BSc Artificial Intelligence - Anglia Ruskin University**, Cambridge, UK - Distinction (4.0 Equivalent)

## EXPERIENCE

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**Aerial Research Intern** - *University College London (Here East)* - May 2025–Sep 2025

- Developed and integrated SLAM on an X500 drone using an onboard Jetson Nano.
- Integrated 2 SLAM frameworks to support student thesis research and experimentation.
- Documented software and hardware integration, including 3D modeling of components.

**Full-stack Software Developer** - *Blackdot Solutions* - Sep 2022–Feb 2025

- Developed and maintained core functionality in data integration systems and web applications.
- Deployed automated testing with GitHub Actions, **executing ~200,000+ tests per day in a CI pipeline**.
- Held **sprint reviews** to stakeholders and colleagues.
- Implemented 5 core API integrations for clients such as HSBC, Deutsche Bank, and the UK Government.
- Designed and implemented RESTful application programming interfaces(APIs) for user and profile management.

**Mobile App Developer** - *Openspace* - Jan 2022–Jun 2022

- Developed and launched a **geo-location based mobile game** to encourage exploration of Cambridge.
- Used Google Cloud Platform (GCP) and Google Maps APIs.
- Supported 100+ concurrent users and handled 5,000+ API calls in a single day.

**Educational Tutor** - *Code Ninjas* - Sep 2019–Apr 2020

- Taught loops, conditionals, and variables to students aged 7–14.
- Updated parents informed about progress and focus areas.

## PROJECTS

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**Hybrid Aerial Surface Vehicle** – Ongoing since Oct 2025

- Designed, built, and 3D-printed a drone capable of both quadrotor flight and marine operation, developed from scratch.
- The project was accepted into the 2025 Founders Inc. Blueprint Program, with a one-on-one call with Hubert Thieblot.

Portfolio: [HASV Project](#)

**Autonomous Underwater Drone Pollution Detection** - Sep 2025

- Developed an autonomous online learning based robotic system using the BlueROV2 UUV for river pollution monitoring.
- Implemented a model predictive controller (MPC) for executing autonomous trajectories in river simulations.
- Developed a partial differential equation (PDE) based flow simulator for modeling fluid dynamics in polluted environments.
- Architected and trained an inverse physics-informed neural network for parameter inference and concentration recovery.

Portfolio: [UUV Project](#)

**Laplacian-Based Drone Swarm** - Apr 2025

- Developed a decentralized drone swarm control system using a Laplacian-based coordination method.
- Implemented on Crazyflie drones and deployed on 3 drones to autonomously navigate a field of 7 poles.

Portfolio: [Drone Swarm Project](#)

**1st Place Google & Neuphonic AI Hackathon** - Dec 2024

- Built a low-latency object detection system for visually impaired users in under 4 hours.
- Utilized YOLO, an Arducam, and a real-time text-to-speech API for real-time feedback.

## CERTIFICATIONS

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**Stanford Online:** Convex Optimization

**MATLAB Online:** Machine Learning; Deep Learning; Signal Processing; Image Processing.

**Jovian.ai:** Data Analysis; Machine Learning.