

# Kritika Iyer

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## OBJECTIVE

To work as a full-time Robotics Engineer in deep learning with perception

## EDUCATION

### Master of Science, Robotics Engineering

Worcester Polytechnic Institute, (WPI), Worcester, MA

May '18

GPA: 3.73/4.00

### Bachelor of Technology, Mechatronics

Shanmugha Arts, Science, Technology and Research Academy (SASTRA), India

May '16

## SKILLS

**Machine learning packages:** Theano, Keras, Tensorflow, Scikit-learn

**Programming Languages:** C, C++, MATLAB, Embedded C, Python, Visual Basic, MS SQL

**Software and Tools:** ROS, Gazebo, Simulink, OpenRave, OMPL, Git

**Design Software:** ProE, AutoCAD, LabVIEW, CODESYS, Solidworks, Ansys, COMSOL

**Boards:** Arduino, PIC, Raspberry Pi, AVR

## EXPERIENCE

### Internship: Persimmon Technologies

July '17 — Aug '17

- Designed a test bed in Solidworks with a total of 25 individual components for Encoders
- Performed trade off analysis to make most efficient and cost effective design.
- Toleranced parts and made sure all standard and custom parts mesh well.

### Internship: Maruti Suzuki India Ltd, Gurugram, India

May '15 — Jun '15

- Studied trajectory controllers for 6 DOF Fanuc, ABB industrial robots used in car manufacturing.
- Designed ladder logic for bottle filling station involving complex pick, place and fill operations.
- Implemented logic on Siemens Programmable Logic Controllers (PLC).

## PROJECTS

### Deep learning for robot perception

Aug '17 — Dec '17

- Detecting emotions of an autistic child using deep learning in PABI robot.
- Designed a Convolutional Neural Network with different layers of flattening, max-pooling and dropouts
- Obtained Kaggle dataset and achieved an accuracy of 68.5% where the highest recorded for this dataset is 71%

### Manta Ray fin analysis

Feb '17 — June '17

- Modeled a manta ray in Solidworks and simulating the fin movement in COMSOL
- Analyzed the effect of friction and fluid velocity on thrusts produced by the fin
- Designed a fin model to overcome the effects

### Safe Driving using MPC for Autonomous Vehicles

Jan '17 — May '17

- Controlled a car using Kinematic Bicycle model and model predictive control(MPC).
- Worked in MATLAB to simulate results using Fmincon and Yalmip libraries.
- Implemented MPC to achieve safe driving diversion from reference trajectory for obstacle avoidance.

### Modular teleoperation Framework

Feb '17 — May '17

- Developed an algorithm for complex master-slave coordination between manipulators and haptic devices.
- Implemented it in Gazebo using ROS on davinci and ABB robots.

### Mapping and Motion Planning for RC Car

Jan '17 — May '17

- Implemented A\*, RRT\*, and ARA\* algorithms and comparing optimality, completeness, space and time complexity on ROS and Gazebo in 3 different world scenarios.

### Motion compensation during surgery

Oct '16 — Dec '16

- Implemented motion compensation techniques using EKF and Fourier series in Gazebo using ROS
- visualized using daVinci along with teleoperation

### MANTA Ray fin actuation

Sept '16 — Dec '16

- Fabricated tiny Manta rays from 3D printed molds with silicone dragon skin 10.
- Actuated the Manta rays using Nitinol Shape memory alloy wires and pneumatic actuators.

### Kiosk for Autistic Children

Oct '15 — June '16

- Designed and fabricated a gaming kiosk with various motor skill enhancement tasks integrated into it
- Controlled the system to track the speed of performance, gripping methods and overall improvement PIC16F877A and got input from various sensors.