

JACOB MORONI OLSON

PERCEPTION · CONTROLS · AUTONOMY · MECHANICAL ENGINEER

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EDUCATION

Brigham Young University

MASTERS IN MECHANICAL ENGINEERING

- 3.93 GPA
- Thesis: Collaborative UAV Planning, Mapping, and Exploration in GPS-Denied Environments

Provo, Utah

December 2019

Brigham Young University

B.S. IN MECHANICAL ENGINEERING · MINOR IN BUSINESS MANAGEMENT

- 3.81 GPA
- Four-year Academic Scholarship - half tuition

Provo, Utah

Apr 2017

COURSEWORK

AUTONOMOUS SYSTEMS	• SLAM, Kalman Filters, Particle Filters, Markov Decision Processes
FLIGHT DYNAMICS AND CONTROL	• Develop autopilot flight stack for fixed wing and multirotor UAVs
DEEP LEARNING	• Develop and implement several deep neural network architectures and techniques
ROBOTIC VISION	• Object tracking, structure from motion, visual odometry, obstacle avoidance
ROBOTICS AND CONTROLS	• PID, state space control, loopshaping, and kinematics of manipulators
OPTIMIZATION	• Modeling and design of several optimization techniques
C++ GUI DESIGN	• Object Oriented Programming and GUI design using Qt and OSG
LINEAR & NONLINEAR SYSTEM THEORY	• Stability analysis and controller design

WORK EXPERIENCE

BYU MAGICC Lab

RESEARCH ASSISTANT

- Software algorithm and GUI development in Python and C++ with ROS
- Development and testing in a simulation environment using ROS Gazebo
- Implemented research software on multirotor hardware
- Integrated perception sensors such as RGB-D cameras, LIDAR sensors, and ultrasonic sonar sensors
- Gained in-depth understanding of 3D mapping, perception, and localization techniques
- Version control using git

Provo, Utah

Sep 2017 - Present

Lockheed Martin Procerus Technologies

ENGINEERING INTERN

- Designed and implemented several test fixtures used in production and engineering
- Wrote and implemented robust software for test fixtures used in production
- Assisted with debugging and building production software
- Wrote documentation and build documents for products

Vineyard, Utah

May 2017 - Present

Brigham Young University

BYU CAPSTONE

- Worked with a team of five to design and build a production-ready handheld dusting vacuum
- Learned effective design process implementation and functional prototyping procedures
- Surface and solid modeling using CAD software

Provo, Utah

Sep 2016 - Apr 2017

BYU Robotics and Dynamics Lab

UNDERGRAD RESEARCH ASSISTANT

- Applied for and received a grant (ORCA) to fund research
- Calibration and integration of several sensors using Python with ROS
- Mechatronic design using Eagle and data sheets
- Gained in-depth understanding of robotics platforms including compliant and soft robotics

Provo, Utah

Sep 2016 - Apr 2017

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MECHANICAL ENGINEERING INTERN

- Member of research and development team for frontal airbag modules
- Worked independently and with teams to model and build various test fixtures
- Modeled a variety of complex parts using solid and surface modeling in Solidworks
- Analyzed and organized test data using EDAPT and Excel
- Presented findings to 10+ managers and acting president

Ogden, Utah

May 2016 - Aug 2016

AUVSI-SUAS Competition Team

MECHANICAL ENGINEERING DESIGN

- Worked with a team of 5 to design autonomous fixed wing airframe using NX
- Designed and built custom camera gimbal to use on aircraft

Provo, Utah

Sep 2015 - Apr 2016