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Skills

Programming	Python, OpenCV, PyTorch(Machine Learning), git, C++, LaTeX, MATLAB
Robotics Technologies	ROS/ROS2, Linux, Docker
Mechanical Design	SolidWorks, Ansys Mechanical, Onshape, Fusion 360
Manufacturing	3D Printing, CNC Router, Carbon Fiber, Power/Hand Tools

Education

B.Sc. in Mechanical Engineering – University of Alberta   *Sept. 2019 - Jan. 2024*
- Finish December 2024
- Cumalitive GPA 3.8 of 4.0

Experience

Mechatronic Systems Lab   *University of Alberta*
UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCHER   *Jan. 2024 - Apr. 2024*
- Implemented a 6D pose detection algorithm capable of detecting drones with < 2 cm of error
- Combined OpenCV, ROS2, Pytorch, and drone hardware in a single real-time project
- Created evaluation metrics and visualization tools to objectively monitor progress toward a complex goal
- Standardized runtime environment docker containers decreasing code set up time from a day to $<$ an hour
- Wrote and tuned a PID controller for a quadcopter drone capable of flying indoors in C++

Pegasus Imagery   *Villeneuve, Alberta Canada*
MECHANICAL ENGINEERING STUDENT   *Sept. 2022 - Nov. 2023*
- Designed and manufacutured a carbon fiber tail capable of controlling a 20 kg drone
- Designed landing gear structural test and created apparatus to reduce testing time from days to hours
- Lead the creation of build manuals to reduce in-house manufacturing defects by $10\times$
- Designed and manufactured > 5 electronics mounts while following weight and size constraints
- Lead use of resin infusion manufacturing to improve consistancy of manufacturing from 80% to 99%

Defence Research and Development Canada (DRDC)   *Suffield, Alberta Canada*
DEFENCE ROBOTICS RESEARCH STUDENT   *Sept. 2021 - Apr. 2022*
- Used a clustering algorithm on LiDAR data to detect and locate a person
- Created tests for GPS-denied localization algorithms using GPS position as a ground truth
- Managed the use of a $300,000$ UGV and tested and evaluated several localization algorithms
- Created and implemented a control algorithm based on LiDAR capable of following a person

Projects

Autonomous Robotic Vehicle Robot (ARVP)   *University of Alberta*
SOFTWARE CO-LEAD   *Jan. 2022 - Aug. 2024*
- Implemented a Kalman filter to estimate an AUV's state by combining velocity and IMU sensor data
- Implemented a P-controller algorithm for autonomous vision-based underwater control
- Troubleshooted network, CAN, and ROS communications live while leading full system tests

Wheeled Wall Detecting Mobile Robot   *Home*
PERSONAL PROJECT   *Jan. 2023 - Dec. 2023*
- Designed, manufactured, and assembled a simple mobile robot capable of driving indoors
- Sourced motors, motor drivers, sensors, and microcontrollers
- Designed and 3D printed a chassis to mount all electronics

Bimanual Force Controlled Robot   *University of Alberta*
UNDERGRADUATE VOLUNTEER RESEARCHER   *Jan. 2024 - Apr. 2024*
- Wrote a control algorithm for a bimanual 7DoF robot to lift objects with a desired clamping force in Python
- Reviewed force control and dynamical systems control literature for arm robots