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#### **Education**

Expected Carnegie Mellon University M.S. in Robotics

May 2017 Supervisors: Dr. Nathan Michael, Dr. Koushil Sreenath

May 2015 University of Toronto B.A.Sc. in Engineering Science with Honours

Major in Aerospace Engineering, Minor in Robotics and Mechatronics

Thesis: Control with Complex Specifications for a Flip Maneuver of a Quadrotor Helicopter

Supervisor: Dr. Mireille Broucke

### **Professional Experience**

Aug 2015 – Robust Adaptive Systems Lab, Robotics Institute, Carnegie Mellon University Pittsburgh PA, USA Student Researcher

My research focuses on improving user efficiency by concurrent online estimation of user intent and online adaptation based on user performance for teleoperating aerial and ground robots.

- · Design trajectory-based teleoperation via parameterized motion primitives
- · Design and implement user intent prediction via online estimation of user reward function
- · Design a novel adaptive action sampling strategy to augment user performance

## May 2015 – **Rapyuta Robotics Ltd.** Zürich, Switzerland; Tokyo, Japan Aug 2015 **Control Engineering Intern**

- · Simulated, implemented and tested an aggressive quadrotor hover-to-hover flip maneuver using a parameterized open-loop trajectory
- · Implemented and tested an iterative learning scheme for improving real-time flip performance
- · Designed, implemented and tested indoor landing algorithm for aerial vehicles using splines
- · Implemented calibration packages to rectify vehicle marker to center of mass transformation

## May 2014 – Autonomous Systems and Biomechatronics Lab, University of Toronto Toronto ON, Canada Student Researcher

- · Implemented OctoMap for 3D mapping with Microsoft Kinect
- Developed constraints and parameters for classification of traversable terrains in an intelligent robot learning system for realtime terrain categorization

# May 2013 – **IBM Canada Ltd.** Markham ON, Canada Aug 2014 **Software Developer, Release Engineering**

• Design, developed and tested the *Open Source Dependency Extraction* framework in Java to identify open source code and security vulnerabilities in product codebase.

#### **Publications**

- **X. Yang**, A. Agrawal, K. Sreenath, N. Michael, "System-Agnostic Adaptive Teleoperation for High-Dimensional Systems". In *Special Issue on Learning for Human-Robot Collaboration, Autonomous Robots*, 2017. [Submitted]
- **X. Yang**, K. Sreenath, N. Michael, "A Framework for Efficient Teleoperation via Online Adaptation". In *Int. Conf. Robot. Auton. (ICRA)*, Singapore. May 2017. [Submitted]
- **X. Yang**, K. Sreenath, N. Michael, "Online Adaptive Teleoperation via Incremental Intent Modeling". In *Late Breaking Report at Int. Conf. on Human Robot Interaction (HRI'17)*, Vienna, Austria. March 2017. [To Appear]
- S.C.C. Shih, I. Barbulovic-Nad, **X. Yang**, R. Fobel, and A.R. Wheeler, "Digital microfluidics with impedance sensing for integrated cell culture and analysis". In *Biosensors and Bioelectronics*. Oct. 2013, vol. 42, pp. 314-320. [pdf]

**Activities** 

Spring 2017 Teaching Assistant for 16-299 Introduction to Feedback Control Systems, Carnegie Mellon University

Skills

**Systems** Linux/Unix

**Languages** MATLAB, Python, C++, C, familiar with Java

Software ROS, Git, LATEX.