Nathan Wolf-Sonkin

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EDUCATION

The Cooper Union for the Advancement of Science and Art

Master of Engineering, Mechanical Engineering

Expected Graduation Spring 2025

GPA: 4.0/4.0

New York Institute of Technology

Bachelor of Science, Mechanical Engineering

Minor, Mathematics

Graduated Spring 2023

GPA: 3.8/4.0

SKILLS

Technical: Solidworks, ROS2, C++, Gazebo, MoveIt, Docker, Python, MATLAB/Simulink, Ansys (FEA)

Courses: Bio-Inspired Robotics, Autonomous Mobile Robotics, Modern Control Theory, Finite Element Analysis

WORK EXPERIENCE

JLG Industries | Hagerstown, MD

May 2024 - August 2024

Robotics and Automation Intern

- Undertook development of robotic arm path planning algorithms for automation of dangerous jobs
- Utilized Python and C++ to develop automatic tool exchange algorithms for the Sapien 6M robotic arm
- Created a physical simulation of Sapien 6M robotic arm using ROS2 and Gazebo for algorithm testing

Core SWX | Plainview, NY

March 2022 - January 2024

Design Engineer

- Designed battery casing and charging stations for high-end camera equipment
- Utilized Solidworks to design for injection molding, sheet metal fabrication, and metal pipe fabrication
- Created ergonomic latching mechanisms which efficiently fit into the required positions

Cox & Company | Plainview, NY

Summer 2018, 2019, 2021

Automation Engineering Intern

- Conducted development of a resistive wire laying device to streamline the manufacturing of aerospace deicing systems
- Created an end effector to be retrofitted onto a 3D gantry to automatically adhere resistive wire to a fiberglass mesh

FIRST Robotics Competition Team 7400 | Melville, NY

June 2019 - March 2020

Robotics Engineering Mentor

• Guided students in the design process for projectile intake and launching mechanisms

PROJECTS (Available at nathan.wolfsonkin.com)

Robotic Dog Energy Analysis - Thesis

Researching robotic quadrupeds to determine optimal gait cycles for balancing speed and energy usage

Thermal FEA Cooking Analysis – Ansys, Solidworks, Hypermesh

- Conducted a dynamic thermal analysis on a turducken to determine optimal cooking time
- Confirmed validity of the model by comparing it to thermal circuit theory

Autonomous Mobile Robot - ROS2, Python, C++

- Capable of navigating and mapping its surroundings using a combination of odometry and IR sensors
- Implemented a particle filter to localize the robot position after map generation

Robotic Arm Simulation – MATLAB

- Developed a simulation of a three link robotic arm for testing feedforward and optimal control algorithms
- Effectively generates and tracks a smooth, point-to-point trajectory with less than 1% tracking error

ADDITIONAL

Awards

- Boy Scouts of America Eagle Scout August 2019
- FIRST Robotics Competition World Championship Qualifier 2018, 2019

Interests - Robotics • Rock Climbing • Chess • Video Games • Cycling