# Matthijs van der Boon



## **ABOUT**

Strong work ethic, organized, and highly conscientious. Curious and creative, not afraid of outside the box solutions. Strong background in team-based project settings and teaching.

#### CONTACT

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#### HARD SKILLS

**Proficient:** Linux, Git, Docker, Python, Deep Learning, Reinforcement Learning, PyTorch, ROS, MATLAB, Google Compute Engine, AWS

Intermediate: C#, C++, Catia,

Solidworks, Blender

#### **LANGUAGES**

Dutch Native
English C2 (CPE)
German B1

#### HOBBIES

I enjoy playing piano and have been doing so for over 15 years. My focus here is on classical music. Aside from that I enjoy weightlifting to stay fit both physically and mentally.

## **EDUCATION**

Nov, 2022 Sept, 2020 Master Robotics, Systems and Control **ETH Zurich** 

- GPA 5.65 of 6.00
- Thesis: Deep Reinforcement Learning using Curiosity-based Exploration for Package Grabbing with ANYmal on Wheels.

Awarded with a 6 of 6.

- Semester project: Deep Reinforcement Learning for Catching Space Debris
- Course focus: Reinforcement Learning, Artificial Intelligence, Computer Vision, Game Theory

July, 2019 Sept, 2016 Bachelor Mechanical Engineering

**Delft University of Technology** 

- GPA 9.0 of 10.0 **top 0.4%**
- Thesis: System Identification for an Autonomous Drone

Dec, 2018 Aug, 2018 Exchange to Vancouver, Canada

**University of British Columbia** 

• Course focus: Entrepreneurship, Organizational Behavior, Negotiation

June, 2016 Sept, 2010 VWO pre-university education

Stedelijk Gymnasium Leiden

- GPA 8.9 of 10.0
- Final research project: Application of Genetic Algorithms to the Traveling Salesman Problem

## **SCHOLARSHIPS**

2020 ETH Departmental Scholarship

- Received scholarship of 31.500 Fr.
- Covered study and living costs during master's degree

2018 Holland Scholarship

- Received for exchange semester to UBC
- Grant is available for ambitious and enterprising students

### **WORK EXPERIENCE**

Mar, 2022

Research Intern Computer Vision

Oct. 2021

TNO, Netherlands Organisation for applied scientific research

 Work culminated in a publication on a GAN-based VR teleconferencing headset removal system

July, 2020

Lead Propulsion Engineer

Delft Hyperloop student team

Aug, 2019

Led department of 3 engineers. Responsible for the

propulsion subsystem.

Managed human, financial, and tir

 Managed human, financial, and time resources combined with full-time engineering work.

June, 2019

Teaching Assistant

Feb. 2018

Delft University of Technology

TA for dynamics and thermodynamics

• Tasks included giving lectures on example exercises and helping students one-to-one.

## **EXTRACURRICULAR**

May, 2021

Business Course McKinsey Digital

McKinsey & Company

• 3-day introduction to McKinsey

June, 2015 Jan. 2015 Junior TU Delft project

Delft University of Technology

Introductory engineering program for motivated high school students