# **Nevin Kopp**

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## Education

**University of California, Riverside** – MS in Robotics

June 2024

University of California, Riverside - BS in Electrical Engineering

June 2023

# **Projects**

# Leviathan – Autonomous Underwater Vehicle (AUV)

nevinkopp.github.io/projects/1\_project/

- Used ROS and Gazebo to simulate and control an AUV as part of a software team
- Designed the motor controller and battery management PCBs using Altium as part of an electrical team

## **Graduate Research – Underwater Object Tracking (UOT)**

nevinkopp.github.io/projects/2\_project/

- Modern open air (OA) trackers struggle when used in an underwater environment
- Implemented a three phase process to increase the performance of trackers which resulted in 10-15% improvement

# **Industrial Robotic Arm Analysis and Design**

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- Ground up design and analysis of a four joint robotic arm for industrial applications
- Solved the kinematics (forward, inverse, velocity) and statics equations, MATLAB used for calculations

#### **Autonomous Mini Tank**

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- Used SolidWorks to design a robot composed of 3D printed and laser cut parts from the ground up
- Target acquisition was done with machine learning while servos and microcontrollers were used for aiming and firing

# **Bread Recipe Autonomous Device (BRAD)**

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- Successfully created an automatic bread making system with web app control
- Finite state machines (FSMs) control ingredient dispensation as per user requested recipe

#### Experience

## Graduate Student Researcher, University of California - Riverside, CA

2023 - 2024

- Sought out methods to improve the performance of open air tracking models for underwater use
- Formulated a three phase process that involved retraining and image enhancement
- Results showed a promising performance increase of 10-15%

# Engineering Teacher Assistant, University of California - Riverside, CA

2022 - 2023

- Assist engineering professors with grading, office hours, and electrical engineering labs
- Brief students on relevant theories and schematics prior to lab and answer questions
- Help students with using the lab equipment such as power supplies, oscilloscopes, and multimeters

#### Skills

**Robotics:** Robot Operating System (ROS), Inverse Kinematics, Forward Kinematics, Artificial Intelligence (AI), Machine Learning (ML), Perception, Path Planning

Electrical Engineering: Embedded Systems, I2C, UART, SPI, Altium, Control, ARM, AVR, Ethernet, SPICE

Software: Finite State Machine (FSM), Git, Bash, OpenCV, PyTorch, scikit-learn

CAD: SolidWorks

**Fabrication:** Laser Cutting, 3D printing **Languages:** C++, C, Python, MATLAB

Electronics Lab Equipment: Solder Station, Power Supply, Oscilloscope, Multimeter