Nicholas Kantack

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Education

University of Oklahoma

Bachelor of Science: Engineering Physics

Graduated May 2016 Cumulative GPA: 3.98 University of Virginia

Master of Science: Electrical Engineering

Graduated December 2020 Cumulative GPA: 3.87

Work/Research Experience

Johns Hopkins Applied Physics Laboratory

July 2018 - Present

Software Developer/Electrical Engineer

- Principal investigator for six internal research grants totaling \$315,000 in funding
- Projects include AI research for human-machine teaming, machine learning for state estimation and localization, and thin film RF device design

IntriCon Corporation

May 2016 - July 2018

Electronics Manufacturing Engineer

- Design and prototype millimeter scale inductors for implantable medical devices
- Physical simulation and data analytics software design and support

Univ. of Oklahoma & South Dakota State Univ.

January 2014 - May 2016

Undergraduate Research

- Characterize porous silicon solar cells, fit physical models to performance (OU Senior research)
- Develop fabrication processes for organic perovskite solar cells (SDSU Summer research)

Skills

Proficient Java, Javascript, Python, C++, C#, Android, CAD, 3D printing, digital circuits,

Arduino, Raspberry Pi, VR/AR development (HoloLens, Oculus Quest), Git

Familiar OpenSCAD, AutoCAD, Unity, Matlab, LaTeX, NodeJS, AngularJS, KiCad,

TensorFlow, PCB design

Volunteering

Tutoring January 2014 - Present

OU Math center, JHU College Prep program

STEM Development May 2019 - Present

High school & college mentor, intern supervisor (APL)

Projects

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Publications

- N. Kantack, N. Cohen, N. Bos, C. Lowman, J. Everett, T. Endres, "Instructive artificial intelligence (AI) for human training, assistance, and explainability," SPIE Defense & Commercial Sensing, April 2022, Accepted. To appear.
- N. Kantack, "Reinforcement Learning on Human Decision Models for Uniquely Collaborative AI Teammates," November 2021, https://arxiv.org/abs/2111.09800
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- S. Langevin, N. Kantack, J. Skerritt, T. VanVolkenburg, Z. Xia, "Hydrogels with controlled degradation," ACS Spring National Meeting, April 5, 2021
- A. Dubey, N. Kantack, N. Adhikari, K. M. Reza, S. Venkatesan, M. Kumar, D. Khatiwada, S. Darling, Q. Qiao, "Room Temperature, Air Crystallized Perovskite Film for High Performance Solar Cells," J. Mater. Chem. A, 2016, 4,10231-10240, DOI: 10.1039/C6TA02918C
- B. Vaagensmith, K. M. Reza, N. Hasan, H. Elbohy, N. Adhikari, A. Dubey, N. Kantack, E. Gaml, Q. Qiao, "Environmentally Friendly Plasma-Treated PEDOT:PSS as Electrodes for ITO-Free Perovskite Solar Cells," ACS Appl. Mater. Interface, 2017, 9,41,35861-35870, DOI: 10.1021/acsami.7b10987

Presentations

- "EyeOnTeam Seeing Teammates through Floors, Walls, and Obstacles," Johns Hopkins Applied Physics Laboratory XR Symposium, 2021, http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bUXYAX7k_V0
- "Performance Characterization of Porous Silicon Schottky Solar Devices," Oklahoma NASA Energy and Material Symposium, University of Tulsa, 2016