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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

MAVLab Delft ✓ AlphaPilot **Lockheed Martin** Jan2019-current

EMBEDDED AND CONTROL RESEARCHER, AEROSPACE FACULTY, TU DELFT

- > Part of the drone race team, responsible for state estimation, control and trajectory planning.
- > Finished as world champions at AIRR amongst 432 research teams, with a prize of \$1M 🗹 (highlights).
- > AlphaPilot 🗗 Al Robotic Racing (AIRR) is about autonomous racing against human pilots and was mentored by experts from Lockheed Martin, Drone Racing League and MIT's Aerospace lab.
- > Firmware for PercEvite , Sense-and-Avoid air traffic control (European Single-Skies initiative).

Matlab/Python C/C++ ESP32 PPRZ UAV HIL ROS multithreading computer vision

Espressif

☑ FIRST

Systems, Shanghai Jul2016-Aug2017 FIRMWARE DEVELOPER | APPLICATIONS ENGINEERING

- > Added Linear Algebra (LAPACK) and FFT support, MIPS and FLOPS profiling for matrix inversion.
- > Developed parts of the famous ☑ esp-idf alongwith Amazon Web Services for embedded platforms. > Audio Processing for Speech Analysis using Fixed point arithmetic on ESP-32's Tensilica Processor.
- > Designed motor control drivers: BLDC/brushed/servo and I2C/SPI drivers for LCDs for HMI applications.

C FreeRTOS esp-idf Matlab git

COACH FRC-6024 | CONTROL SYSTEMS

Robotics, Sydney Jan2015-Mar2016

Nov2013-Mar2016

- > Layed out the control system and drive-train over the CAN bus of NI-Rio (credits to WPI-lib).
 - Mentored India's debut FRC team to finish in the top 10 of Australian regionals.

NI-RoboRio | labview | C++/java

ABU Robocon, Asia Pacific region

TEAM CAPTAIN ABU-ROBOCON | SECRETARY, ROBOTICS AND AUTOMATION CHAPTER VJTI

- > Competition for prototyping mechatronic systems addressing novel problem statements in robotics.
- Quarter-Finalist at Robocon 2016, Semi-Finalist at Robocon 2014: promoting VJTI to internationals.
- Represented India at the International ABU-RoboCon, winning the Panasonic Award for Innovation. Embedded C drivetrain control AtMega power harness motor control soldering

ACADEMICS AND CO-CURRICULARS

TU Delft. MASTERS IN EMBEDDED SYSTEMS **Netherlands**

- > Satellite Orbit Determination: GPS, non linear least squares, orbit dynamics, tracking and prediction.
- > Implemented detumbling on the 🗹 Attitude Control subsystem of Delft's PocketCube satellite. Aug 2017-Sep2019
 - > Magnetometer & IMU calibration, closed loop attitude control laws over Hardware in Loop (HIL) tests.
 - > Networked & Distributed Control: convex optimization, sampling + synchronization algorithms.
 - > Vehicle Dynamics: ABS, path planning algorithms, localization with Particle Filters.

Veermata Jijabai Technological Institute (VJTI)

BACHELOR OF TECHNOLOGY IN ELECTRONICS ENGINEERING

- > Graded 'A+' on Bachelor thesis on 🗹 Swarm Robots in Closed Loop Visual Odometry system, using Li-Fi. > Product ideas: 🗗 Hybrid HID ARM Cortex and wrist-watch multimeter at Texas Instruments Challenge.
- Aug2012-May2016 > Designed a line following and grid solving robot winning at TechFest 2014, IIT-Bombay.
 - > Undertook workshops on embedded robotics for 300+ students around Mumbai (ARM, AVR, ESP32).
 - > MIT Media Labs DI: Open Sourced and prototyped a 🗹 wrist band for taking 360°panoramas.
 - > numerical techniques, applied math, digital signal processing, op-amps and filters, VLSI design.

PUBLICATIONS

Our work on drone racing is featured at 🗗 Business Insider 🗗 Wired 🗗 Bloomberg 🗗 TU Delft 🗗 BBC. Dec 2019 Master study in Embedded Sytems, Thesis on state estimation and optimal control for racing drones. Sept 2019 Published in Advances in Intelligent Systems and Computing (Springer, Germany) on 🗹 LiFi Swarm Robots. Sept 2017 Dec 2015 Published MOSFET based motor drivers with closed loop control at the 12th International IEEE Conference, Indicon. Jun 2015 Hindustan Times, India: Tech students engineer fixes for health-care issues: reference: SRA, WJTI.



Aug 2014

Programming 🗱 Controls ← Embedded

 ☐ Softwares

Embedded C, C++, FreeRTOS, Keil, MATLAB, Python, Labview, OpenCV, ROS, multi-threading. LAPACK for uCs, HiL tests, Adaptive control laws, Kalman and RANSAC filtering, system identification. STM32, MSP432, ESP32, closed loop motor-control, NI-Rio, Multisim, KiCad, oscilloscope, soldering. Git-scm, Eclipse, Photoshop, CorelDraw, Latex.

NHK Japan, Hindustan Times, Times of India: City College VJTI representing India internationally, ref-RoboCon 2014.

English (fluent), Hindi (fluent), Mandarin (limited proficiency). Languages