

Benjamin Noah Lugon-Moulin

Robotics Intern @ NASA Ames Research Center

M.S. in Robotics & Minor in Space Technologies @ EPFL, Switzerland

Actively seeking full-time roles in **Robotics/Aerospace Engineering**, available from **November 2024**

Education

Master of Science (M.S.) in Robotics with Minor in Space Technologies

Ecole Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne (EPFL)

- **3.7 GPA**, student associations: Mars rover design team, exchange student network
- Thesis: In-Situ Slip Learning for Lunar Rover Localization, conducted at **NASA Ames**

Sep 2022 - Oct 2024
Lausanne, Switzerland
Mountain View, CA, USA

Bachelor of Science (B.S.) in Mechatronics

Ecole Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne (EPFL)

- 1-year academic exchange at **University of Waterloo** (2021-2022)
- Highly multidisciplinary curriculum in mechanical, electrical, and computer engineering

2019 - 2022
Lausanne, Switzerland
Waterloo, ON, Canada

High School with Specialization in Math and Physics

Lycée-Collège de l'abbaye de St-Maurice

- Built a **quadruped robot** for graduation project. Awarded Math and Physics prizes

2015 - 2019
St-Maurice, Switzerland

Work Experience

Robotics Intern for the VIPER Mission @ NASA Ames Research Center

- Developed a learning algorithm that **reduces rover localization error** by over **41%**
- Actively assisted in rover **nighttime testing**, responsible for running **data collection**
- Conducted **statistical analysis** to provide rover drivers with **mission operation guidelines**

Apr 2024 - Oct 2024
Mountain View, CA, USA

Research Assistant @ Laboratory of Intelligent Systems (EPFL)

- Augmented GPS-based **localization** of a **drone** with **Visual Odometry (VO)**
- Designed hardware for **onboard camera** and integrated VO software with **ROS**

Sep 2023 - Jan 2024
Lausanne, Switzerland

Licensed Tennis Instructor and Tournament Referee @ Home Tennis Club

- **6+ years** of experience coaching kids and adults at leisure and competition levels
- Actively involved in club through **leading interclubs team** and volunteer staffing of **5+ yearly events**

2016 - 2023
Leysin, Switzerland

Projects & Extracurriculars

EPFL's Interdisciplinary Robot Competition

- Built a fully autonomous toy-collecting robot in a **team of 3 students**. Achieved **2nd place** and **design award**
- Lead for electrical component selection+integration, **C++** low-level programming, and perception+actuation

2023

Xplore Mars Rover Student Design Team

- Designed in **Matlab & Simulink** a PID tuner for the rover's 6 DOF robotic arm
- Generated with **Blender** a synthetic 6D pose dataset of custom objects to be manipulated by the robotic arm

2023-2024

Rocket Recovery System Lead

- Designed and programmed in **C++** onboard avionics for rocket **apogee detection** and **parachute recovery**
- Validated apogee detection algorithm by flying avionics on a drone. Rocket recovered successfully for all field tests

2023

☆ Skills

Programming: Python | PyTorch | OpenCV | C++ | C | Matlab | ROS | Linux | Bash scripting
Data Analysis and Visualization: Foxglove | Plotjuggler | Jupyter Notebook
CAD | Prototyping: Solidworks | Catia | Fusion360 | Blender | 3D printing | soldering | KiCad
Embedded Systems: Arduino | ESP32 | FPGA | Raspberry Pi | Nvidia Jetson
Machining: laser cutting | turning | milling | welding
Soft Skills: report writing | public speaking | teaching | event organizing and staffing
Additional: experienced **drone** and **model plane pilot** (12+ years)

Languages

English (Native)
French (Native)
German (B2)