# **Matthew Strong**

#### **ENGINEERING EXPERIENCE**

#### **Software Engineer Intern**, Broomfield CO — *Microsoft*

May 2020 - August 2020

- Implemented and deployed a feature from scratch called journey optimization, which intelligently guides customers on the customer journey, using reinforcement learning.
- Worked with researchers and the AI team to architect the system.

#### **Undergraduate Researcher**, Boulder CO — HIRO Robotics Group

Sep 2019 - Present

- Currently developing control software and optimization methods with the Franka Emika Panda (a 7-DoF robotic arm) for a flexible, artificial skin with embedded sensors.
- Working on Hierarchical Reinforcement Learning applied to complex robotic control tasks.

## **Software Engineer Intern,** Redmond WA — *Microsoft*

May 2019 - August 2019

- Developed and deployed Global Search for Dynamics 365 For Talent.
- Implemented an end-to-end feature with Angular (frontend), C#, and XML.

### **Co-Founder and CTO**, Boulder CO — *Udana Systems*

February 2018 - June 2020

- Served as the chief engineer for developing an autonomous drone delivery system. Used ROS, PyTorch, C++, and Python.
- Architected a ML development pipeline for drone computer vision using state of the art CNN models such as YoloV3 and Mask RCNN.

#### **EDUCATION**

## **University of Colorado Boulder** — Computer Science, BS

August 2017 - Present

4.0 Cumulative GPA, BOLD Scholar and Sewall Scholar

**Relevant Coursework:** Advanced Robotics, Advanced Data Science, Algorithms, Data Structures, Operating Systems, Computer Systems

#### **Skills**

Languages: Python, C++, C#, C, Javascript, Typescript, HTML, CSS Frameworks: Django, Vue.js, Angular, React, Flutter, ASP.Net MVC Misc: ROS, Pytorch, Tensorflow, Keras, Reinforcement Learning

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#### **PROJECTS**

## **Mamba Music** *Group Project*

Python, Tensorflow, React, AWS Lambda

Created an integrated music generation platform with Tensorflow Magenta. Included 7 different models for customized music generation from a variety of genres. Constructed an automatic pipeline for generating songs on Google Cloud GPU-based VMs.

## ArduCopter Teleoperations, Personal Project

C++, ROS, ArduCopter, MAVROS

Developed a user-controlled system with ROS for ArduCopter. Tested both in simulation (Microsoft Airsim) and a real drone created from scratch.

#### **Dronet PyTorch,** Personal Project

Python, Pytorch

Implemented a convolutional neural network and training pipeline in PyTorch called Dronet (<u>DroNet: Learning to Fly by Driving</u>).

#### Bebop Autonomy Vision, Group Project

ROS, Python, Pytorch, TensorRT

An autonomous drone (Bebop) using CNN-based navigation with Dronet and includes optimized object detection, semantic segmentation, and visual odometry (SVO).