

Perception · Estimation · Controls

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Education

Brigham Young University

Provo, UT

M.S. ELECTRICAL AND COMPUTER ENGINEERING

Aug. 2016 - Aug. 2018

- 4.00/4.00 GPA

- Advisor: Randy Beard

Brigham Young University

B.S. ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING

Provo, UT

Jan. 2013 - Aug. 2016

- 3.78/4.00 GPA

Work Experience _____

BYU MAGICC Lab / Center for Unmanned Aircraft Systems

Provo, UT

GRADUATE RESEARCH ASSISTANT

Aug. 2016 - Aug. 2018

- Safe2Ditch: Joint NASA Langley project for autonomous emergency landing of drones
- Visual multiple target tracking using monocular camera on autonomous aerial vehicles

LGS Innovations Westminster, CO

EMBEDDED DEVELOPER / PCB DESIGNER

Summer 2015

- Worked with the Intel Edison embedded Linux Platform; designed and assembled PCB add-ons with Cadsoft EAGLE
- Wrote NodeJS app to control embedded hardware

Verisage and Coding Campus

Provo, UT

SOFTWARE DEVELOPER / COURSE INSTRUCTOR

Mar. 2013 - Apr. 2015

- Managed Verisage projects and worked with clients to add value to their products
- Taught students and developed curriculum at Coding Campus

Relevant Advanced Coursework

Signals & Systems Digial Comms Theory, Math of Signals & Systems, Stochastic Processes, Statistical DSP

Control Theory Feedback Control, Flight Dynamics and Control, Linear System Theory, Nonlinear System Theory

Robotics and Al Robot Soccer, Bayesian Methods, Deep Learning, Robotic Vision, Autonomous Systems

Skills

Research Multiple target tracking, Recursive Bayesian filtering (i.e., Kalman, particle), autopilot implementation, simulation

Programming C/C++, Python, MATLAB/Simulink, ROS/Gazebo, OpenCV, TensorFlow, Git

Embedded STM32, NVIDIA TX2, ODROID, Naze32, Pixhawk, Arduino

Extracurricular Activity _____

Teaching Assistant, EE Senior Project - Robot Soccer **Founder, President**, BYU Mechatronics Club

Technical Advisor, KVM Foundation

Student, Pembroke-King's Programme

Winter 2017 Brigham Young University

Fall 2014 - Winter 2016 Brigham Young University

2014 Visakhapatnam, India

Summer 2013 Cambridge University, UK

Selected Projects

The DesktopQuad Provo, UT

Personal Research Project 2017

- A custom built tethered micro quad with an upward facing camera
- Particle filter based localization using IMU and ArUco fiducial markers
- Implemented in hardware by extending ROSflight, a custom autopilot project built in the BYU MAGICC Lab
- ROS/C++ implementation with corresponding simulation in Gazebo

Stereo Camera Baseball Catcher

Brigham Young University

March 2017

- GRADUATE CLASS PROJECT: ROBOTIC VISION
- In a team of two, used a stereo rig to estimate depth of incoming baseballs
 Used a online least squares optimization to command an X-Y actuated net to consistently catch baseballs

Robot Soccer Brigham Young University

ECEN SENIOR PROJECT

Winter 2016

- Worked with a team of four to design, build, and program two ODROID based mobile robots to play soccer
- Used ROS/Python to implement motion control, state estimation, computer vision, and AI algorithms
- Won first place in a ten team competition at BYU

iOS Bluetooth Shooter Provo, UT

PERSONAL PROJECT Dec. 2015

- Wrote iOS app to communicate via Bluetooth with a custom made toy missle shooter.

Honors & Awards.

Fellowship, Utah NASA Space Grant ConsortiumAug. 2017 - Apr. 2018Brigham Young UniversityInvited, Phi Kappa Phi2017Brigham Young UniversityInvited, IEEE-Eta Kappa Nu2016Brigham Young UniversityRecipient, Heritage ScholarshipJan. 2013 - Aug. 2016Brigham Young University

Publications

- [1] P. Lusk and R. Beard, "Visual Multiple Target Tracking From a Descending Aerial Platform," in *American Control Conference*, 2018. (In review). Available at: http://scholarsarchive.byu.edu/studentpub/218.
- [2] J. Lee, J. Millard, P. Lusk, R. Beard, "Autonomous target following with a monocular camera on UAS using the Recursive-RANSAC tracker," in *American Control Conference*, 2018. (In review).

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