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TECHNICAL SKILLS

Programming Languages: Python, C++, C, Java, HTML, CSS, JavaScript, XML

Frameworks & Libraries: PyTorch, ROS Humble, OpenCV, SciPy, Pinocchio, Simulink, MATLAB Robotics Toolbox

Robotics Platforms: Universal Robotics UR16, CoppeliaSim, ROS, Nvidia Jetson Nano, Raspberry Pi, Arduino, ESP32

Control Systems: PID Control, LQR Control, Model Predictive Control, Numerical Optimization

Tools & Others: Git, Subversion, CUDA, Jira, Confluence, LabVIEW, EasyEDA, Overleaf

EDUCATION

New York University, Tandon School of Engineering

Sep 2023 - Present

Master of Science in Mechatronics, Robotics and Automation Engineering

Relevant Coursework: Robot Localization & Navigation, Robot Perception, Reinforcement Learning & Optimal Control for Robotics

Visvesvaraya Technological University, Bangalore Institute of Technology

Aug 2017 - Aug 2021

Bachelor of Engineering in Electronics and Instrumentation Engineering

Relevant Coursework: Control Systems, Virtual Instrumentation, Digital Image Processing, Neural Networks & Fuzzy Logic Systems

EXPERIENCE

Adjunct Professor | NYU Tandon School of Engineering | NY, USA

Jun 2024 - Present

- Instructed the Automatic Control Laboratory (ME-UY 3411), emphasizing PC-based data acquisition, PID control, LQR control, and real-time control systems.
- Guided students in programming a UR16 robotic arm, highlighting path planning and error handling to strengthen practical robotics skills.
- Spearheaded the development of control algorithms for a 7-DOF hexapod robot, leveraging numerical optimization methods to achieve a 20% improvement in stability.
- Optimized the robot's foot design by analyzing mechanical CAD drawings, enhancing traction and load distribution.
- Designed the hexapod's electrical and computing subsystems through the development and validation of electrical schematics prior to manufacturing, ensuring robust system integration.
- Introduced Poke-Yoke principles to enhance reliability and reduce common assembly errors in the electrical design processes.
- Utilized MuJoCo within CoppeliaSim for comprehensive robot simulations, validating precomputed gait patterns and reducing physical testing time by 30%.
- Currently implementing vision- and contact-rich Model Predictive Control algorithms, improving the robot's interaction with complex environments.
- Preparing an Unscented Kalman Filter for robust state estimation under uncertainty, bolstering sensor fusion capabilities.

Associate Software Engineer | Bosch Global Software Technologies | Bengaluru, India

Sep 2021 - Jul 2023

- Developed and maintained Java-based Automotive Diagnostic Tools for ODX data processing & automation.
- Built an ANTLR-based A2L parser for Daimler, completing the project 4 months ahead of schedule.
- Led the development of a customized automation tool for INEOS, reducing development time by 70%.
- Created internal software automation tools that sped up ODX error resolution by 40%.
- Verified ODX data and conducted ECU simulation testing using OTX for McLaren.
- Supported the development of HTML, CSS, and JQuery-based screens for GRADE-X, reducing lead time by 10%.
- Authored diagnostic content for Flashing Over-The-Air (FOTA) product prototyping.
- Managed Agile sprints with Jira, maintaining a 90% on-time delivery (OTD) rate.
- Served as a Technical Interviewer and produced a training video library, reducing developer onboarding time by 30%.

Diagnostic Content Engineering Intern | Bosch Global Software Technologies | Bengaluru, India

Mar 2021 - Jun 2021

- Developed OTX screens for ECU simulation using HTML, CSS, and JavaScript to support diagnostic workflows.
- Integrated and validated OTX screens for vehicle testing in diagnostic systems.
- Collaborated with cross-functional teams to improve ECU simulation accuracy and streamline workflows.

Summer Engineering Intern | FluxGen Sustainable Technologies | Bengaluru, India

- Developed a wireless temperature and humidity monitoring system using the ESP32 Wi-Fi & Bluetooth module.
- Created an Android app to display sensor data in real-time, improving monitoring accessibility.
- Developed a wireless system connecting patients and doctors through an ad-hoc network, improving care during the COVID-19 pandemic.
- Designed wearable devices with ESP32 µC and LoRaWAN (RFM95) for wireless communication.
- Integrated sensors (MCP9808, MAX30102) to track body temperature, heart rate, and SpO2 levels in real-time.
- Implemented a meshed network using the ClusterDuck Protocol for real-time data collection between wearable devices.
- Developed web-based user interface using HTML and JS, for monitoring data from wearable devices.
- Published an article on "Smart Water Management" in "Water Today," showcasing sustainable solutions.