SRIJAN DUGGAL

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SUMMARY

Creative and adaptable robotics engineer with an entrepreneurial spirit and proven track record of leading teams on complex problems. Highly passionate about continual learning, data-driven decisions, collaboration, and creating a positive culture.

EXPERIENCE

Sr. Robotics Software Engineer – Autonomy, Controls, and Perception

Manchester, NH

DEKA Research & Development

August 2022 — Present

<u>Autonomous Vehicle</u> – Perception & Autonomy (1.5 yrs)

- Led a team of 7 to bring 2.5D Kalman filter-based terrain estimation into the autonomy stack via lit review, parallel experimentation, and iterative reprioritization. Patent filed.
- Owned real-time occupancy grid module, doing sensor fusion with LiDAR, Stereo Cameras, Radars using Bayes filter
- Built high-res (5cm) grids to reduce narrow-space indoor navigation failures by 5x using multithreading and GPU kernels
- Adding offline reproducibility of representation in order to improve robot behavior in edge cases

Automated Wet-Lab Device – Controls Lead (3 months)

- Scoped project through customer visit, user stories, and system modeling (activity/architecture diagrams)
- Led a team of 4 to develop POCs addressing key controls/perception risks
- Built POCs for Mask-RCNN pipeline (auto-labeling, training, deployment) and sub-mm visual servoing with 6-DoF robot arm <u>Automated Beer-Pouring Machine</u> – Software Architect / Controls Lead (4 months)
- Co-led a cross-functional team of ~20 on a tight-timeline to deliver full product. Patent filed.
- Enabled parallel development by defining SW architecture/interfaces and controls strategy (tap actuation, cup grasping/tilting)
- Set up containerized dev environment, Debian deployment, process startup via systemd, and logging infrastructure

Other Projects - Motion Planning, Controls, Computer Vision

- Designed and implemented motion planning and controls stack for a 2-axis gimbal and a PPR gantry using real-time frameworks, inverse kinematics, state machines, and behavior trees
- Designed blood temp controller for organ preservation device using thermal modeling and Monte Carlo, cutting warmup time 60%
- Developed multi-view camera CV approaches to reduce false positives to 1% for drug-delivery manufacturing defect detection

Hip Exoskeleton Research Team Lead

Atlanta, GA

Georgia Tech, Exoskeleton and Prosthetics Intelligent Controls Lab

Jan 2019 — May 2021

- Trained deep learning models for gait-phase estimation using TensorFlow and Keras (Published in IEEE RA-L)
- Developed a knee-exo controller to increase human carrying capacity (filtering, controls on Raspberry Pi with Python/ROS)

Managing Partner & Lead Engineer

Miami, FL

Eifosoft Solutions, LLC

May 2018 — Present

- Built web app, main server, and microservices for 2000+ user tournament management software with React, Node.js, and AWS

Business Strategy Advisor

Remote

Private Manufacturing Company (~\$8M Revenues)

March 2025 — Present

- Partnered with owner to analyze financials, understand profitability issues, set net income targets based on ROE, and restructure sales incentives around high-margin products

ADDITIONAL EXPERIENCE

R&D Test Engineering Intern – *Intralox LLC*, *Logistics and Material Handling*

Hanover, MD

- Modeled friction behavior to inform next-gen controls design.

May — August 2021

Graduate Teaching Assistant – Georgia Tech, ME 2110

Atlanta, GA

- Mentored students in prototyping: soldering, laser cutter, wood tools, 3D printer, Arduino.

Aug 2021 – May 2022 Atlanta, GA

Modeling and Simulation Intern – Automation Intelligence LLC, Digital Twins

May-Aug 2020

- Built Emulate3D digital twins for robot-based sorting; delivered client demos and optimization reports.

Atlanta, GA

Senior Design Project – *Georgia Tech*- Designed low-cost neonatal incubator for local fab w/ Dr. in Ghana using analog controls & SolidWorks

Jan 2021 — May 2022

EDUCATION

Georgia Institute of Technology

Atlanta, GA

MS in Mechanical Engineering (Automation and Robotics) GPA 4.0

May 2022

BS in Mechanical Engineering, Minor in Robotics

GPA 4.0

May 2021

PUBLICATIONS

I. Kang, D. D. Molinaro, S. Duggal, et al. *Real-Time Gait Phase Estimation for Robotic Hip Exoskeleton Control During Multimodal Locomotion*. IEEE Robotics and Automation Letters, vol. 6, no. 2, pp. 3491-3497, 2021.

SKILLS

Development: C++, OpenCV, ROS, SYCL/DPC++, Ubuntu/Linux, PyTorch, Docker, gRPC, AWS, Python, Javascript, MySQL **Design:** System Design, Sequence & Architecture diagrams, Object-Oriented Design, User stories, PlantUML, SolidWorks **Robotics:** Control systems, classical computer vision, dynamic modeling, multithreading/GPU kernels, Kalman filtering, CNNs