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# **EDUCATION**

#### STANFORD UNIVERSITY

M.S. ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING Expected Jun 2021 | Stanford, CA

#### STANFORD UNIVERSITY

B.S. ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING Jun 2020 | Stanford, CA Cum. GPA: 3.84/4.0 ACTIVITIES

- Stanford Robotics Club
- Stanford Solar Car

# COURSEWORK

- EE 364A+B Convex Optimization
- CS 229 Machine Learning
- ENGR 205 Control Design Techniques
- AA 279A Space Mechanics
- AA 203 Optimal Control
- ME 334 Advanced Dynamics, Controls and System Identification
- ME 210 Intro to Mechatronics

# SKILLS

## **PROGRAMMING**

- Julia
- Python
- C/++
- Matlab

## **GENERAL**

- Digital/Analog Electronics
- CNC Machining
- Composites Manufacturing
- Student Pilot

#### CAD/CAM

- CATIA 3D Experience
- SolidWorks
- Fusion 360

## **EXPERIENCE**

#### **ROBOTIC EXPLORATION LAB** | RESEARCHER

Jun 2019 - Present | Stanford, CA

- Researching trajectory optimization techniques for quadruped robots
- Designing an MPC based walking controllers for online implementation
- Implementing Kalman Filter based state estimation techniques
- Testing state estimation and control in a MuJoCo simulation

## JOBY AVIATION | AIRFRAME TEAM INTERN

Jun 2018 - Sept 2018 | Santa Cruz, CA

- Process development and tooling for composite stiffeners
- Designed composite tooling and jigs
- Helped refine the control surface actuators
- Debugged issues with a 5 axis waterjet
- Designed and manufactured a custom oven

# STANFORD SOLAR CAR | MECHANICAL TEAM

Sep 2016 - Jun 2018 | Stanford, CA

- Designed and manufactured canopy latching system
- Machined hardpoints, linkages, inserts, fixtures and other parts to tight tolerances with a CNC mill
- Helped complete composite layups for the car's aerobody
- Helped construct and manufacture various mechanical systems on the car

#### TIGER INNOVATIONS LINTERN

Jun 2016 - Sep 2016 | Herndon, VA

- Tested and debugged an issue with the RFIC of a small satellite
- Modified and checked multiple RF IC system parameters
- Wrote software to test fixed RF system

## NASA GODDARD | Innovation Lab Intern

Jun 2015 - Jul 2015 | Greenbelt, MD

- Helped design and build hardware surrounding a small scale commercial robotic arm
- Worked with machinists and technicians to create parts
- Created an image processing program with OpenCV that gave target coordinates to the arm
- Completed the lower level electronics and programming to interface with the arm

# **PROJECTS**

- MPC for Quadruped Robots using Reduced Order Models
- Kalman Filter based State Estimation for Legged Robots
- Group Lasso Regularized Trajectory Optimization using ADMM

# **PUBLICATIONS**

ALTRO-C: A Fast Solver for Conic Model-Predictive Control
 Brian Jackson, Tarun Punnoose, Daniel Neamati, Kevin Tracy, Rianna Jitosho, and Zac Manchester
 International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA). (Submitted)