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Education

Purdue University - School of Aeronautics and Astronautics

West Lafavette, USA

Master of Science - Aeronautics and Astronautics (Aerospace Engineering) (* = Ongoing)

2021-Present

Coursework: Artificial Intelligence, Statistical Methods*, Autonomous Systems*, System of Systems Modeling and Analysis*

SRM University

Chennai, IN

Bachelor of Technology - Mechanical Engineering

2016-2020

Skills

Programming: C++, Python, MATLAB, R, Bash, HTML, CSS, LATEX

Frameworks/Libraries: openCV, ROS, numpy, PyTorch, Keras, Tensorflow, scikit-learn, matplotlib, pandas, seaborn

Tools: Git, Linux, CMake, GDB, LLDB, PDB, Jupyter, Gazebo, Confluence, Jira

Ongoing Additional Coursework: Machine Learning, Computer Vision, Deep Learning, Robotics, Model Based Systems Engineering

Projects

Avionics Engineer - Purdue Vertical Flight Systems

West Lafayette, USA

Jan 2022 - Present

- Purdue University | Skills Used: ROS, Python, C++, Gazebo
 - Currently working on gaining a thorough understanding of the software stack consisting of the PX4 Pixhawk Autopilot Software, QGroundControl and simulation using ROS & Gazebo

Building an Autonomous Robot to navigate through a model town (Ongoing)

West Lafayette, USA

Purdue University | ROS, Python, CMake, XML, Robot Kinematics, Linux, Computer Vision, SLAM

· Facilitated a transition to a GitHub organization for better code management and collaboration

Jan 2022 - Present

- Working on an intensive course project involving building an autonomous robot consisting of Ultrasonic sensing, Computer Vision, and Line Tracking capabilities by handling all the sensor data and processing it on a Raspberry Pi using Python and ROS
- Upcoming work involves implementing Control System Algorithms, Path Planning, Trajectory Optimization, SLAM and Perception capabilities into the autonomous robot

Aerodynamics Team Member - Purdue Electric Racing

West Lafayette, USA

Purdue University | Skills Used: ANSYS, SolidWorks, Fusion 360, Confluence, Jira

Aug 2021 - Present

- Designed CFD simulations to correlate Wind Tunnel testing data with simulated data, and achieved ~ 7% margin of error.
- Designed a parametric CFD study for cooling the motor controller of the vehicle with an underbody ducting system, and presented results to the team leads and other members through extensive written documentation on Confluence

Responsive Website Design - Portfolio

West Lafayette, USA

Purdue University | Skills Used: HTML, SCSS, Javascript, JSON, Version Control (Git), UI and User Experience

Dec 2021

- Created a responsive portfolio website detailing all projects and relevant information using the Hugo Static Site Generator, HTML, Javascript, and CSS for visualization.
- · Maintained a repository using Git version control on GitHub to efficiently deploy changes to the website

Using a GAN with a Perceptual Loss Function for Image Super Resolution

West Lafayette, USA

Purdue University | Skills Used: Python, TensorFlow/Keras, matplotlib, HDF5, Data Analysis, Deep Learning

Aug 2021 - Dec 2021

- Implemented a Deep Generative Adversarial Network, having 16 Residual Blocks and a Generator-Discriminator pair, performing Unsupervised Learning with a Supervised Loss Function for image super-resolution using TensorFlow 2 and Keras
- Trained the neural network for 50,000 steps using test/train splits to handle ~ 10GB datasets efficiently and visualized the results using matplotlib

Vice Captain and Design Lead - Hawkz Racing Formula Student Team

Chennai, IN

SRM University | Skills Used: ANSYS, CATIA, Leadership, Problem Solving, Automotive, Research and Development

2017 - 2018

- Successfully managed a team of 30 people, working across multiple departments (powertrain, chassis, vehicle dynamics, business), to secure National Awards in Sales and Business Presentation, along with a National Rank of 4 at the Design Presentation
- · Oversaw the development and integration of core vehicle components from design through to manufacturing and assembly.

Experience

Research Intern - Aerodynamics

Kanpur, IN

IIT Kanpur - Non Equilibrium Flow Simulation Lab | Skills Used: ANSYS (FLUENT, ICEM, MECHANICAL), PUTTY, HPC

Jun 2019

· Utilized grid adaptation techniques and performed mesh independence studies to simulate fluid flow through a CD Nozzle with supersonic jet control to study mixing characteristics of the plume with the atmosphere.