# Vivek Radhakrishnan

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#### **SUMMARY**

**Experienced Robotics Engineer with** over 10 years in robotics system design and deployment. Proven expertise in integrating hardware and software platforms to enhance productivity and efficiency in production environments. Strong background in 3D, PCB design and ROS/ROS2. Passionate about leveraging cutting-edge robotics technology to address everyday challenges.

#### **EDUCATION**

#### M.Sc. in Robotics

New York University, New York 2021 - 2023

**B.Sc.** in Electrical Engineering

Birla Institute of Technology and Science, Dubai

2010 - 2014

#### PATENTS

A system for charging a battery in an aircraft

- · Utility, No. 18/467,202 (Pending, 2023)
- Provisional, No. 63/375,638 (Granted, 2022)

### LINKS

website in linkedin

#### SKILLS

- · C++, Python, CLI (Linux, Unix, Bash/Shell)
- ROS/ROS2
- · PCB, CAD
- · Robotics system design
- Autonomous systems development
- · Sensor Integration (LiDar, Radar, Camera, IMU, GPS)
- · Analytical problem solving

#### **EXPERIENCE**

**ZEROFLAi** - Co-Founder & CEO

07/23 - Present

- · Designed and implemented autonomous charging systems for UAVs, enhancing mission continuity without human intervention.
- Led a team of engineers and researchers to develop state-of-the-art robotics solutions, focusing on real-world applications.

Agile Robotics and Perception Lab - Researcher

09/21 - 09/23

- · Designed and implemented perception and planning algorithms, contributing to advancements in UAV performance and autonomy.
- Introduced a perception framework grounded in foundation models for universal object detection and tracking, ensuring continuous target visibility in challenging conditions.

**Technology Innovation Institute** - Senior Researcher

- · Developed and optimized algorithms for autonomous UAVs, including perception, path planning, and control systems.
- Collaborated with cross-functional teams to integrate advanced robotics solutions, resulting in improved operational performance.

Algorythma - Systems Integration Engineer

10/18 - 06/20

- · Implemented cutting-edge control, state estimation, and perception subsystems for autonomous aerial platforms.
- · Enhanced UAV performance through innovative algorithm development and system integration.

BUT nv. - Lead Hardware Engineer

05/15 - 09/18

· Led hardware engineering projects, focusing on the development and deployment of interactive media and robotics solutions.

The Assembly - In House Engineer

10/14 - 05/15

• Delivered workshops and built innovative projects in robotics and IoT, fostering hands-on learning and practical application.

**Etisalat** - UAV Engineer

08/14 - 10/14

· Developed UAV solutions for the Smart City Project, contributing to winning the Drones for Good Award.

## PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

Unifying Foundation Models with Quadrotor Control for Visual Tracking Beyond **Object Categories** 

IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation, 2024

Directed Graph Topology Preservation in Multi-Robot Systems with Limited Field of View Using Control Barrier Functions IEEE Access, 2023

AutoCharge: Autonomous Charging for Perpetual Quadrotor Missions IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation, 2023

Vision-based Relative Detection and Tracking for Teams of Micro Aerial Vehicles IEEE/RSJ International Conference on Intelligent Robots and Systems, 2022

Challenges in Vision-based Drones Navigation

IEEE/RSJ International Conference on Intelligent Robots and Systems, 2019

Autonomous Unmanned Aerial Vehicle for Reconnaissance based on Robotic **Operating System** 

Third Symposium on Indoor Flight Issues, 2013