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EDUCATION

Shanghai Jiao Tong University (SJTU)   *Shanghai, China*

Bachelor of Mechanical Engineering   *Sept. 2017 - Present*

- **Overall GPA:**   3.7/4.3 (**87**/100)   **Ranking: 27**/161
- **Selected Coursework:**   Mechanical Dynamics (**A**), Deep Learning Practice (**A**)
- **Languages:**   **IELTS**: **7.5**/9.0   **GRE**: **325+3.5** (AW)

Selected Honors & Activities

- First Prize of the Ninth National College Mechanical Innovation Competition(1%), China
- First Prize of Design and Manufacturing Exhibition in 2019(2%), Shanghai Jiao Tong University
- Vice President of the Art Center, Student Union, Shanghai Jiao Tong University

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Design and Strategy Optimization of an Air Hockey Robot for Man-machine Battle   **SJTU,** *China*

Team Co-Leader, Supervisor: Xinjun SHENG, Xinyi LE   *Sept. 2019 - Present*

- **Mechanical Structure and Electronic Control System**

  Designed a real-time vision capture system for the localization and trajectory prediction of the puck.

  Created a two-link parallel mechanism instead of an XY-axis cross slide to reduce cumulative error.

  Proposed an S-curve acceleration algorithm to improve the stability of stepper speed control.

- **Strategy Optimization of the Robot through Reinforcement Learning (RL)**

  Modeled the table air-hockey game in simulation and optimized the attack-defense strategy of the robot with RL.

  Incorporated Prioritized Replay DQN, Dueling DQN, and Noisy Net to improve final performance.

  Introduced an AI to collect positive experience as a warm-up to speed up training, and vectorized the environment's physical information as an improved embedding to make the sim-to-real transfer easier.

  In progress: apply the learned policy to the real robot.

Physically-based Simulation and Optimization of a two-DOF Chaotic Pendulum   **SJTU,** *China*

Team Leader, Supervisor: Genliang CHEN   *Dec. 2019 - Mar. 2020*

- Computed both forward kinematics and inverse kinematics and visualized the motion of a two-DOF chaotic pendulum.
- Implemented genetic algorithm to optimize the structure of the pendulum for long-lived motion.
- Justified the conclusion through manufacturing a scale model.

Research and Development of Smart Car Slam with Lidar and Binocular Vision   **SJTU,** *China*

Research Assistant, Supervisor: Bin WANG   *Jul. 2018 - Sept. 2018*

- Implemented the range-measurement system by binocular vision on an intelligent car.
- Analyzed SIFT algorithm in-depth, extracted the region of interest to improve the efficiency by almost 30% in detecting and matching feature points.

Skill

- Programming: Python, R, C/C++
- Tools: MATLAB, Latex, Solidworks, Adams