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SUMMARY

Robotics Software Engineer with 3.5 years of professional experience developing software for distributed sensing and control in multi-agent systems.

WORK & RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Boston Dynamics © Oct 2021 - Present

Software Engineer

Waltham, MA

• Develop perception and localization software for Stretch, in the Warehouse Robotics group.

MIT Lincoln Laboratory ♂

May 2018 - Oct 2021

Software Engineer in the Advanced Concepts and Technologies Group

Lexington, MA

- Researched and implemented performant algorithms for real-time, distributed inference on low-cost sensors and computing devices, using the Julia programming language
- Developed a software library, using Julia, for recursive Bayesian inference, with support for linear and nonlinear models using Kalman, Extended Kalman, and Unscented Kalman filters
- Created a language-agnostic pub/sub messaging system for real-time data routing, using Google Protobuf and ZeroMQ

Lab for Autonomous and Intelligent Robotics (LAIR)

Sep 2017 - May 2018

Undergraduate Research Assistant

Claremont, CA

- Developed methods to autonomously track sharks with multiple underwater vehicles (AUVs)
- Simulated and tested control-based trackers in MATLAB, later re-written in C#, and validated in hardware
- Wrote an AUV simulation library in MATLAB to test graph-based planning methods for multi-agent coordination

SKILLS

Programming: C++, Julia, Python, MATLAB, C, HTML/CSS, JavaScript

Technical: Linux, Git, ROS, IATEX, Machining, CAD, 3D Printing, Soldering, Electronic Lab Equipment, FPGA

Recreational Activities: Running, Rock Climbing, Sailing, Photography, Cooking

EDUCATION

Harvey Mudd College

Aug 2014 - May 2018

B.S. in Engineering, Departmental Honors

Claremont, CA

Relevant Coursework: Autonomous Robot Navigation, Artificial Intelligence, Data Structures & Program Development, Communications & Information Theory

Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Feb 2020 - May 2020

 $Advanced\ Studies\ Program,\ Non-Degree$

Cambridge, MA

Graduate Coursework: 16.32 - Principles of Optimal Control & Estimation

LEADERSHIP & TEACHING EXPERIENCE

MIT Beaver Works ♂

Mar 2019 - Aug 2020

RACECAR Course Instructor & Outreach Coordinator

Cambridge, MA

- Lead a four-week summer course for 50+ high school students interested in vehicle autonomy, \$200K budget
- Developed lectures and labs for the MIT RACECAR & platform: a research-grade, tenth-scale autonomous vehicle

MIT Course 16.633

Aug 2019 - Dec 2019 Cambridge, MA

Co-instructor, Autonomous Machines Seminar

• Instructed a 20-person junior robotics course, led by Professors Sertac Karaman and Jonathan How (AeroAstro)

• Developed and taught weekly lectures & labs, focused on understanding the principles of autonomous vehicles and applications of imitation learning

LINKS

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