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EDUCATION

Northwestern University, Evanston, Illinois

Sep 2023 - Dec 2024

Master of Science - Robotics

Birla Institute of Technology and Science, Pilani, India

Aug 2019 - May 2023

Bachelor of Engineering - Mechanical Engineering

GPA: 3.6

GPA: 3.8

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

HEBI Robotics, Pittsburgh

June 2024 - Sep 2024

Robotics Software Engineering Intern

▶ Reliably integrating robotics algorithms into commercially available robots, utilizing ROS2, C++, and Python.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

MARMot Lab, National University of Singapore

Aug 2022 - Aug 2023

Visiting Researcher | Advisor: Dr. Guillaume Sartoretti

- > Invented a novel optimal torque-control strategy in Python for hexapod robots, accomplishing payload carrying.
- Devised an optimal admittance control trajectory planner for lifting objects using a hexapod robot's front legs.

Research Intern:

 \triangleright Developed a Python Library for SE(3) body-pose control of legged robots, using PyBullet.

Robotics Research Centre, IIIT Hyderabad

May 2022 - Aug 2022

Apr 2022 - Aug 2022

Research Assistant

- > Implemented a Model-Predictive controller in Python for single-agent box pushing manipulation in PyBullet.
- Designed and tested under-actuated perching mechanisms on drones for power line inspection.

Inspire Lab, BITS Pilani

Dec 2021 - May 2022

Undergraduate Researcher

- ▶ Led a team in developing a ROS pipeline in Python for teleoperation of robot swarms (FireBird VI robots).
- > Implemented Iterative Closest Point (ICP) using PCL Library in Python for structural depth estimation.

FEATURED PROJECTS

Bird Robot flight control with Koopman Operator (in progress)

Apr 2024 - Dec 2024

▷ Developing optimal control ROS2 packages for a bio-mimetic flying robot (MetaFly) using an OptiTrack system.

Search and Rescue Missing Person with Autonomous Robot Dog

Jan 2024 - Mar 2024

▷ 3D visual SLAM and outdoor frontier exploration on Unitree Go1 and Zed 2i in ROS2, C++, and Python.

Dexterous Manipulation through Virtual Reality

Oct 2023 - Nov 2023

- Developed a ROS2 pipeline in a team of 5 for teleoperation of a humanoid robot avatar with haptic feedback.
- ▷ Created a custom Python wrapper for the MoveIt2 API.

EKF SLAM pipeline in C++ from scratch

Jan 2024 - Mar 2024

▶ Programming a complete ROS2 pipeline in C++ for SLAM on a Turtlebot, from scratch.

Mobile Manipulation with KUKA youBot

Nov 2023 - Dec 2023

Devised a controller for pick-and-place manipulation on an omnidirectional KUKA youBot, in MATLAB.

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Programming

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Robotics	Μ
ROS/ROS2 Packages	Ν
Simulation	G

C++, CMake, Python, Git, Linux, Unit Testing, Bash, Docker, Java, Lua, Jekyll

Motion Planning, SLAM, Machine Learning, Computer Vision, Nonlinear Optimization

[av2, SLAM Toolbox, MoveIt2, TF2, AprilTag, RealSense2, Isaac ROS

azebo, MuJoCo, PyBullet, CoppeliaSim, Webots, Simulink, ANSYS, Fusion360, Blender Hardware

ABB, KUKA, NVIDIA Jetson, Unitree, Embedded C, RaspberryPi, Teensy, PIC32, Franka