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Education

Brigham Young University, Provo, Utah USA

M.S. in Mechanical Engineering, Sept. 2014 - Present

- Research Topic: Adaptive & Dynamic Control of Soft, Inflatable Robots
- Advisor: Dr. Marc D. Killpack Assistant Professor (Department of Mechanical Engineering)
- Areas of Expertise Soft Robotics, Controls, Mechanics and Dynamics, Mechatronic Systems
- GPA Pending

Brigham Young University, Provo, Utah USA

B.S. in Mechanical Engineering, April 2014

- Coursework in Mechatronics, Computer Science & Numerical Methods (C++), Product Design
- Capstone Project designing & prototyping a digital/wireless Stethoscope/ECG.
- GPA 3.72

Research Experience

Brigham Young University, Provo, Utah USA

Graduate Research Assistant

September 2014 - Present

Research under NASA Early Career Faculty Grant developing novel methods for adaptive control of soft, inflatable robots.

Undergraduate Research Assistant

July 2012 - April 2013

Performed research and development of a system to enable multi-user editing of CAD data.

- Developed & implemented multi-user architecture for Autodesk Inventor.
- Testing & development of various novel CAD tools in Autodesk Inventor, Siemens NX, & CATIA.

 $Undergraduate\ Research\ Assistant$

September 2011 - December 2013

Research performed in BYU Turbomachinery Research Lab

- Instrumentation & Testing of a rig for testing and analyzing pulsed flow through a turbine engine to simulate flow in a pulsed-detonation engine.
- Perform rudimentary CFD and data analysis of flow in turbine engines.

Research Interests in Robotics

- adaptive control
- soft robots
- mechatronic system design
- virtual reality

- haptic feedback
- robotic & computer vision
- robot dynamics and mechanics
- mechanical robot design and optimization

Professional Experience

Roth & Rau - Ortner, Sandy, Utah USA

Mechanical Engineer

April - December 2014

- Assisted with engineering for automated systems in cleanroom environments.
- Assisted in testing & developing specifications for a nitrogen purge system for silicon wafer carriers.

LSF Design Engineering, Provo, Utah USA

Mechanical Engineering Intern

January 2013 - June 2013

• Performed structural optimization to reduce weight & material in various systems for companies such as ATK Launch Systems.

Honors and Awards

- Full funding for Masters degree program at Brigham Young University
- National Merit Scholarship Recipient, Brigham Young University (four year full-tuition)
- Tau Beta Pi, (national engineering honor society)
- Fluency in German (Reading, Writing, & Speaking)
- New Century Scholarship Recipient, Associates Degree received during High School
- Valedictorian, NUAMES High School
- Eagle Scout award from Boy Scouts of America

Community Service

- Volunteered at local Elementary School teaching students robotics and helping them build robotic systems.
- Lived in Germany for two years as a church service missionary (2009-2011)

Technical Skills

Prototyping and Hardware

- Experienced: 3D printer (with ABS plastic), 2D laser cutter, drill press, bandsaw, mitre saw, manual circular saw, tablesaw, router, belt and disk sander
- Familiar: mill, lathe

Programming/Mathematical Languages and Libraries

- Experienced: C/C++, Python, Matlab, LATEX
- Familiar: ROS, Simulink, C#, Objective-C, MathCAD

Commercial Software and Operating Systems

- CAD and Finite Element Analysis: NX, Autodesk Inventor, Solidworks, common Windows spreadsheet and presentation software
- Operating Systems: Unix/Linux (Ubuntu), Windows, Mac OS X