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EDUCATION

HARVEY MUDD COLLEGE
BACHELOR'S OF SCIENCE IN
ENGINEERING, 2014

RELEVANT COURSES

CS070: Data Structures
MATH055: Discrete Mathematics
ENGR083: Continuum Mechanics
ENGR151: Engineering Electronics
ENGR155: Microprocessor Systems
ENGR190: Autonomous Robot
Navigation

SKILLS

PROGRAMMING

Python • C++ • C • SystemVerilog •
Bash • Arduino

VERSION CONTROL

Git • SVN

SOFTWARE TOOLS

Linux OS • Make • SciPy • LinuxCNC
• ROS • OpenFrameworks • L^AT_EX •
Altera Quartus

ENGINEERING DESIGN

- Error Propagation through multi-stage electromechanical systems •
- (Parametric) Solidworks •
- Electromechanical (and Software-driven) System Bringup, Debugging, and Failure Diagnosis
- Sensor Calibration

PCBA DESIGN

- KiCAD: two and four-layer boards
- BOM Management •
- local and overseas PCB assembly

RAPID PROTOTYPING

Manual and CNC Milling • Laser Cutting • SLA-based 3D Printing

PERSONAL PROJECTS

- [CO2 Laser Cutter](#) •
- [Two-Stage Tentacle Mechanism](#) •
- [Real-time Flexible IMU Chain Visualizer](#)
 - [Particle Filter Simulation](#) •
- [Machined Book Holders](#)

EXPERIENCE

ROBERT BOSCH LLC | HARDWARE ENGINEERING INTERN

May 2012 – Aug 2012 and May 2014 – Aug 2014 | Palo Alto, CA

- Wrote a collection of MEMs sensor drivers addressable over a generic HAL.
- co-developed the firmware and mechanical design for a ball-balancing robot.

MAYFIELD ROBOTICS | MECHATRONICS ENGINEER

Sept 2014 – Oct 2015 | Palo Alto, CA

- wrote embedded firmware and C++ ROS drivers for custom mobile bases
- designed a BLDC motor controller PCBA and firmware
- designed and fabricated several mobile bases to test early product features.

SYNTHEGO | INSTRUMENT SOFTWARE AND ELECTRONICS ENGINEER

Nov 2015 – Current | Redwood City, CA

- Re-architected Synthego's RNA synthesizer hardware abstraction layer, making it (and the actual hardware) instrument agnostic. Currently deployed to production on 20 machines that operate 24/7.
- Designed the electronics subsystem including PCBAs and wire harnesses for the current revision of Synthego's RNA synthesizer.
- Designed and implemented a modular electronics architecture for general-purpose factory instrumentation I/O, including 14 PCBAs. One or more PCBAs from this architecture is currently deployed into every type of custom factory instrument on the latest revision of the factory floor.
- Wrote a generalizable instrument software framework for the design of any custom factory instrument that includes a hierarchical state machine framework, a scheduler, a hardware abstraction layer, and a driver layer

HACKADAY | CONTRIBUTING AUTHOR

Nov 2015 – Current

- I publish technical and whimsical articles for an engineering audience.
- [How to Build Anything with Delrin and a Laser Cutter Part I, Part II, Part III](#)
- [A How-To in Homebrew Design and Fab of Structural Framing Systems](#)
- [A Noob's Guide to McMaster-Carr](#)
- [Want to Create a FabLab in your Garage? Start by Joining Your Hackerspace](#)

RESEARCH

LAB FOR AUTONOMOUS AND INTELLIGENT ROBOTICS

Sept 2013 – Sept 2014 | Harvey Mudd College

- Designed and built a remotely operated rotating underwater sonar mount, addressable over a CAN-bus interface and controlled through a Python node in ROS.

DIGITAL DESIGN COURSE DEVELOPMENT

Sept 2013 – May 2014 | Harvey Mudd College

- Coauthored a Raspberry Pi Peripherals Library with several examples for Digital Design and Computer Architecture (3rd Ed) by David and Sarah Harris

AWARDS

2010	Eagle Scout
2012-2014	Dean's List
2013	Eugene H. Kopp merit-based Scholarship Recipient
2014	Graduated with Departmental Honors in Engineering