

Tyler Han

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EDUCATION

- **University of Washington** June 2022 - Present
Ph.D. Computer Science Advisor: [Byron Boots](#)
- **University of Maryland** Sep 2018 - May 2022
B.S. Aerospace Engineering | B.S. Computer Science | Minor: Mathematics GPA: 3.9 / 4.0

RESEARCH INTEREST

I am broadly interested in **robotics, controls, and imitation learning**. Through targeting real systems, my research is inspired by human-level ability across classical robotics modules (e.g. perception, planning, controls).

PROJECTS

- **Imitation Learning for Off-Road Racing** Sep 2023 - Present
Robot Learning Lab
 - Developing end-to-end adversarial imitation learning methods for high-speed off-road racing using IsaacLab
- **Robotic Autonomy in Complex Environments with Resiliency (RACER)** June 2022 - Present
Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (DARPA) 
 - Algorithmic and software development of control system for state-of-the-art unmanned ground vehicle (UGV)
 - Conduction of day and week long field tests for controls system and perception & planning integration
- **Autonomous Tunnel Boring** Sep 2020 - May 2022
The Boring Company | Not-a-Boring Competition
 - Development of globalization, dynamics, and control system for autonomous tunnel boring (1 m diameter)
- **Deep Motor Primitives** Aug 2020 - Dec 2021
Naval Research Laboratory
 - Develop algorithms for learning motor primitives using Dynamic Mode Decomposition and its derivatives
- **Manipulation for Satellite Servicing** Jan 2019 - Aug 2020
UMD Space Systems Laboratory
 - Infrastructural and algorithmic software development for 8-DOF dexterous satellite servicing manipulator

PUBLICATIONS

1. [Tyler Han](#), Alex Liu, Alex Spitzer, Guanya Shi, Byron Boots. "Model Predictive Control for Aggressive Driving Over Uneven Terrain", *Robotics: Science and Systems (RSS)*, 2024. [\[pdf\]](#) [\[website\]](#)
2. Chuning Zhu, Xinqi Wang, [Tyler Han](#), Simon Du, Abhishek Gupta. "Transferable Reinforcement Learning via Generalized Occupancy Models", *Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS)*, 2024. [\[pdf\]](#) [\[website\]](#)


IN PROGRESS & PREPRINTS

1. [Tyler Han](#), Sidharth Talia, Rohan Panicker, Preet Shah, Neel Jawale, Byron Boots. "Dynamics Models in the Aggressive Off-Road Driving Regime", *International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA). Workshop on Off-Road Autonomy*, 2024. [\[pdf\]](#)

HONORS AND AWARDS

- **Graduate Research Fellowship Program (GRFP)** March 2023
National Science Foundation

OUTREACH

- **Robotics Research Mentoring** June 2023 - Present
Robot Learning Lab
 - Master's Students: Preet Shah, Alex Liu → Now Software Engineer at Amazon (2024)
 - Undergraduate Students: Gabe Guo, Alyssa Giedd → Now Ph.D. Student at University of Washington (2024)
 - High School Students: Vansh Chhabra
- **Pre-Application Mentorship Program** September 2022 - Present
University of Washington, Department of Computer Science & Engineering 
 - Mentor to students in under-represented or underserved communities considering graduate school