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ACADEMIC VISION

Precision technology permeates daily life in the form of smartphones, automobiles, consumer electronics, computing technology, healthcare systems, and airplanes, to name a few. These products incorporate many precision engineering concepts in the design, manufacture, assembly, and quality control steps to bring them to fruition. These precision engineering concepts are: 1) design for function and performance; 2) understand multi-disciplinary systems, methodologies, and metrology; and 3) qualify error budgets and uncertainty estimates to ensure specifications are met.

The goal of the **PRECISION INSTRUMENTATION GROUP** is to design, create, and demonstrate novel precision systems to usher in the next generation of technology. Research in the Precision Instrumentation Group focuses on real-world challenges where novel solutions can be offered, particularly in areas like standards-level metrology, high precision positioning systems, biological scanners, optical metrology, and advanced manufacturing. These research endeavors should result in technology pioneered within the group to permeate precision systems in commercial industries. The Precision Instrumentation Group focuses on performing the multidisciplinary system design, building prototype systems, qualifying technology, and, finally, spinning off technology so that it can be commercialized and launched into industry.

Student mentorship is the fundamental backbone of academia, both by nurturing the student's curiosity and by shaping the student's future career. Research in an exciting, stimulating, and challenging environment can provide opportunities for students to learn from a multitude of sources, including their fellow peers, senior students, their faculty advisor, and the community at large. The Precision Instrumentation Group is a multi-disciplinary community with ties to mechanical, optical, and electrical engineering. Students in the group research high-impact fields, create novel solutions to today's multidisciplinary challenges, produce professional, technologically relevant results, and communicate effectively when disseminating their work.

EMPLOYMENT

ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR with tenure	7/2017-
JAMES P. WILMOT ASSISTANT PROFESSOR	7/2015-6/2017
ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF MECHANICAL ENGINEERING AND OF OPTICS University of Rochester; Rochester, NY USA Hajim School of Engineering & Applied Sciences Department of Mechanical Engineering Affiliations: <i>Center for Freeform Optics, R.E. Hopkins Center for Optical Design & Engineering</i>	7/2011-6/2017
CO-FOUNDER & DIRECTOR OF RESEARCH Clerio Vision, Inc.; Rochester, NY USA	2014-
PHD RESEARCHER Delft University of Technology; Delft, The Netherlands Precision & Microsystems Engineering: Mechatronic System Design	2/2007-12/2010
RESEARCH ASSISTANT University of North Carolina at Charlotte; Charlotte, NC USA Center for Precision Metrology	8/2005-2/2007
INSTRUMENTATION ENGINEER UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH ASSISTANT InSituTec Incorporated; Concord, NC USA Supervised by: Dr. Shane C. Woody (InSituTec) & Prof. Stuart T. Smith (UNC Charlotte)	5/2005-8/2005 8/2004-5/2005

EDUCATION

DOCTORATE OF PHILOSOPHY, MECHANICAL ENGINEERING Delft University of Technology; Delft, The Netherlands Dissertation: <i>Optical Metrology Techniques for Dimensional Stability Measurements</i> Advisors: Prof. ir. Robert H. Munnig Schmidt & ir. Jo W. Spronck	12/2010
MASTER OF SCIENCE, MECHANICAL ENGINEERING University of North Carolina at Charlotte; Charlotte, NC USA Thesis: Reducing Frame Stiffness Dependency in Nanoindentation Advisors: Prof. Stuart T. Smith & Prof Robert J. Hocken	5/2007
BACHELOR OF SCIENCE, MECHANICAL ENGINEERING University of North Carolina at Charlotte; Charlotte, NC USA GPA: 3.6/4.0; <i>Cum Laude</i>	5/2005

PUBLICATIONS

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