Marco da Silva

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INTERESTS computer graphics, optimal control, reinforcement learning

EDUCATION Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, MA

S.M., Computer Science February 2008 Ph.D., Computer Science September 2010

Brown University, Providence, RI

Sc.B. with Honors, Math and Computer Science May 2001

EXPERIENCE Robotics Engineer

Aug 2010 - present

Boston Dynamics, Waltham, MA

Research Assistant

Sept 2005 - Aug 2010

CSAIL, MIT, Cambridge, MA

• Investigating applications of optimal control to computer animation

Technical Director

June 2004 – Aug 2005

Pixar Animation Studios, Emeryville, CA

- Designed and implemented automated systems for generating crowd motion and animated several crowd shots
- Implemented cheaply rendered car model for crowd shots
- Worked on rendering and character model optimization efforts

Studio Tools Engineer

July 2001 – June 2004

Pixar Animation Studios, Emeryville, CA

- Coded animation tools including direct manipulation and constraints systems for character animation
- Improved legacy code base by optimizing model execution and unifying tool undo systems

SKILLS

- Programming: Most proficient in C/C++ and have used python, perl, java,, tcl, scheme, basic, and ada
- Platforms: Linux and Mac OS/X, some Windows experience