Ali AlSaibie

Assistant Professor



Education

2013–2018 **PhD, Mechanical Engineering**, *Georgia Institute of Technology*, Atlanta, GA, USA. Mechatronics, Robotics, Control

2012–2013 **Master of Science, Mechanical Engineering**, *Georgia Institute of Technology*, Atlanta, GA, USA.

2003–2006 **Bachelor of Science, Mechanical Engineering**, *University of Texas at Austin*, Austin, TX, USA.

2006 Minor in Business Administration, University of Texas at Austin, Austin, TX, USA.

Research Interests

Primary

Mechatronics, Robotics, Applied Estimation and Control.

Secondary

Engineering Education, Sustainable Design.

Research Experience

Kuwait University

Jun '24 – *Hybrid Robotic Systems for Agile and Cost-Effective Large-Scale Reach and Manipulation*, Present *Funding: KU RS RE01-23*, Principal Investigator.

Sep '22 – Aerodynamic Force Modeling on Drones in Confined Spaces.

Aug '23

Oct '22 – **Slosh Estimation and Control in 3D Motion**, Funding: KU RS EM01/21, Co-Investigator, present PI: Dr. Abdullah AlShaye, Assistant Professor, Mechanical Engineering Department, Kuwait University.

Georgia Institute of Technology (Graduate Studies)

Jan '15 – Dec Mechatronic Design of Micro-Autonomous Underwater Vehicles in Confined Spaces.

'18 A Model-Based approach to the design and analysis of autonomous micro-underwater vehicles, including hydrodynamic simulation and validation, sim2real dynamic simulation and vision based pose-estimation

Advisor: **Dr. William Singhose**, *Professor*, *Department of Mechanical Engineering*, Georgia Institute of Technology (*Web-page*)

May '14 - Monocular Vision-Based Pose Estimation in Confined Spaces.

Aug '14

Advisor: **Dr. Kamal Youcef-Toumi**, *Professor*, *Department of Mechanical Engineering*, Massachussets Institute of Technology (*Web-page*)

Jan '14 – *Crane-Robot Integration*.

May '14 Integrated a two-link robot arm with a dual-hoist crane platform, using Siemens Simotion motion controllers and S7 PLCs, allowing for simultaneous control and trajectory execution of the integrated system.

Advisor: **Dr. William Singhose**, *Professor*, *Department of Mechanical Engineering*, Georgia Institute of Technology (*Web-page*)

May '12 - Experimental Investigation of Slosh Suppression using Input Shaping.

Sep '12

Advisor: **Dr. William Singhose**, *Professor*, *Department of Mechanical Engineering*, Georgia Institute of Technology (*Web-page*)

Teaching Experience

Assistant Professor, Kuwait University

2019 - ME 319 Mechatronics, S19, S20, S21, S22.

Current https://alsaibie.github.io/me319/

ME 417 Control of Mechanical Systems, F19, S20, SS20, F20, S21.

https://alsaibie.github.io/me417/

ENG 203 Dynamics, S19, F19, F20, SS21, F21, F23, SS24.

Summer 2021 Lectures

ME 459 Engineering Design (Capstone), F21, S22, S24.

ENG 307 Numerical Methods and Programming for Engineers, F19, F23, S24.

Graduate Teaching Assistant, Georgia Institute of Technology

2015-2018 **ME 4447/6405 Introduction to Mechatronics**, *F15*, *F16*, Lead TA.

ME 6408 Advanced Mechatronics, S16, S17, S18, Lead TA.

ME 6404 Advanced Control Design and Implementation, F17, TA.

Publications

In Conference Proceedings

- Jul '14 Ali AlSaibie, Arto Kivila James Potter, William Singhose, Fostering Global Collaboration Between Engineering Students Through a Robotic Design Competition, 2014 Hawaii University International Conferences.
 - 2013 **AlSaibie, Ali and Singhose, William**, Experimental testing of liquid slosh suppression in a suspended container with compound-pendulum dynamics, *2013 9th Asian Control Conference (ASCC)*.

Committee Service

External Committees

- Dec '23 **Member, Computer Based Testing Software**, *The Public Authority for Applied Education* May '24 *and Training*, Kuwait.
- Oct '21 **Member, National Standardized Exam Committee**, *National Center for Education Develop-*Mar '24 *ment*, Kuwait.
- Jun '21 Jun **Member, Water Heaters Standards Committee**, *National Standards Committee*, Kuwait. '24
- Sep '20 Dec **Member, National Education Stragety Taskforce**, Council of Ministers General Secretariat '20 Kuwait.

University and College Committees

- Nov '19 **Facilitator. Innovation, Design and Manufacturing Center**, *College of Engineering and* Present *Petroleum, Kuwait University.*
- Aug '22 Member, University Website Committee, Kuwait University.

Nov '22

- Nov '20 Member, Computer-Based Conversion of Entrance Exam, *Kuwait University*.
 - May '21
- May '20 Member, Distant Learning Training Committee, College of Engineering and Petroleum,
 - Dec '20 Kuwait University.
- Mar '20 Member, COVID19 Distant Learning Committee, College of Engineering and Petroleum,
 - Jun '20 Kuwait University.

Department Committees

- AY 23/24 **Facilitator, Workshop Committee**, *Mechanical Engineering Department, College of Engineering and Petroleum, Kuwait University.*
- AY 23/24 **Member, Budget Committee**, *Mechanical Engineering Department, College of Engineering and Petroleum, Kuwait University.*
- AY 21/22 Facilitator, ENG201 Introduction to Product Design and Prototyping New Course, Mechanical Engineering Department, College of Engineering and Petroleum, Kuwait University.
- AY 21/22 **Facilitator, Capstone Design Year Course**, Mechanical Engineering Department, College of Engineering and Petroleum, Kuwait University.
- AY 20/21 Chair, Dynamics and Control TAG, Mechanical Engineering Department, College of Engineering
 - AY 21/22 and Petroleum, Kuwait University.
 - AY 21/22 **Member, Undergraduate Program Committee**, Mechanical Engineering Department, College of Engineering and Petroleum, Kuwait University.

Invited Talks & Outreach

- Apr '24 Guest, Innovation for a Sustainable Future, Kuwait University Innovation Week, Kuwait.
- Feb '24 **Moderator, Al in Creativity and Research Panel**, Kuwait University Scientific Research Conference, Kuwait.
- Jun '23 Guest Speaker, Future Makers Conference, Kuwait University, Kuwait.
- Jan '23 University Guest, Middle School Robotics Class, AlBayan Bilingual School, Kuwait.
- Mar '22 **Contributor, Focus Group Giftedness, Creativity and Innovation**, Sabah AlAhmad Center for Giftedness and Creativity, Kuwait.
- Sep '20 **Contributor, Focus Group Education Manifesto Workshop**, From here we sail initiative, Kuwait.

Industry Experience

- Jan '11 Dec **Mechanical Engineer**, BP Oman, Muscat, Oman.
 - '11 Provision of focal Mechanical Engineering and Project Management support for the operations and maintenance of a new Extended Well Testing facility, bringing forward experiences from past assignments to improve the engineering and project management processes and procedures. Duties entail integrity management of mechanical equipment, management of engineering and construction contractors, execution of in-house projects, preparation of inspection and maintenance strategies and performance of incident investigations.
 - Aug '08 Mechanical Engineer, BP Sharjah, Sharjah, UAE.
 - Dec '10 Provision of mechanical engineering support for the operations and maintenance of a petroleum processing plant and associated facilities. Duties entail: integrity management of mechanical equipment, design of temporary and permanent repair solutions, machinery troubleshooting, review of contractor design sheets, execution of in-house projects, preparation of inspection and maintenance strategies, performing incident investigations, and executing pipeline inspection campaigns.
 - Sep '07 Management of Change Coordinator, BP Algeria, Ain Amenas, Algeria.
 - Aug '08 Responsible for the coordination of projects between the engineering team and the EP&C contractor, responsible for maintaining active project management guidelines and procedures, and for training of all users on the process, also involved in specific tasks to attain targeted competencies.s

- Aug '06 Offshore Production Support Engineer, BP North Sea, Aberdeen, UK.
 - Aug '07 Provision of onshore support for several offshore petroleum processing plants, working closely with the engineering authority and focusing primarily on rotating equipment reliability assessment and performance monitoring

Industry Training

- 2010 API579-1/ASME FFS-1Fitness for Service, ASME, Houston, TX, 2.3 CEU.
- 2009 Machinery Vibration Analysis II, SKF, Dubai, UAE, 5 Day.
- 2009 Machinery Vibration Analysis I, SKF, Dubai, UAE, 5 Day.
- 2009 Corrosion Management in Oil and Gas, J. M. Campbell, London, UK, 5 Day.
- 2008 Process Piping Design ASME B31.3, ASME, Barcelona, Spain, 3.0 CEU.
- 2008 Scheduling and Cost Control, ESI, London, UK, 3.0 CEU.
- 2008 Electrical Engineering Practices, J. M. Campbell, London, UK, 5 Day.
- 2008 Project Management Principles and Practices, Petroskills, Dubai, UAE, 5 Day.
- 2008 Risk and Decision Analysis, Petroskills, 5 Day.
- 2007 Siemens Gas Turbines Operations and Maintenance, Siemens, London, UK, 5 Day.
- 2007 Centrifugal Pumps and Compressors, Weirs Pumps, Glasgow, UK, 5 Day.
- 2007 Pressure Vessel Design, BP, Aberdeen, UK, 5 Day.
- 2007 Surface Productions Operation, Petroskills, London, UK, 5 Day.
- 2006 Incident Investigations, BP, Aberdeen, UK, 2 Day.

Fellowships & Awards

- Jan '12 Dec **Scholarship** of Kuwait University, Kuwait, Graduate Studies in Mechanical Engineering '18
- Jan '03 Aug *Merit Scholarship* of Ministry of Higher Education, Kuwait, Undergraduate Studies in Mechanical '06 Engineering
- Jan '02 Dec **Scholarship** of Ministry of Higher Education, Kuwait, Undergraduate Studies in Mechanical '02 Engineering

Skills

All listed skills are illustrated with actual projects

Programming C, C++, Julia, Python, MATLAB, Javascript

Languages

Programming ROS, ROS2, Micro-ROS, PX4, Arduino, STM32Cube, FreeRTOS, PLC, ST/MCC (Siemens

Frameworks Simotion), TensorFlow, OpenCV, Qt, Embedded Linux

Computer- Solidworks, Fusion360, FreeCAD, Altium Designer, EagleCAD, KiCAD, ANSYS CFX, COMSOL

Aided Design Multiphysics

Manufacturing Additive Manufacturing; Machining: Lathe, Mill, Laser CNC, Waterjet CNC; Woodworking; Resin Molding and Casting; Electronics: THD and SMD assembly and reflow

Web Javascript, Drupal CMS, Django, HTML5 and CSS (Bootstrap)

Technologies

Position of Responsibility

Nov '20 – **Technical Consultant, Center for Evaluation and Measurement**, VP Academic Affairs, Present Kuwait University.

CBT Examinations

Referees

Dr. William Singhose

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Mechanical Engineering
Georgia Institute of Technology

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