# **Ben Holmes**

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### **EDUCATION**

# **University of British Columbia**

BASc. Engineering Physics (year 3) Software Team Member Expected Grad. May 2021

# LINKS

GitHub: /BenGHolmes LinkedIn: /in/BenGHolmes Website: benholmes.net

# **SKILLS**

# Languages:

Java, Python, C++, C, MATLAB

### **Electrical:**

Analog circuit development and analysis, soldering, multimeter and oscilloscope

# **Design/Prototyping:**

Rapid prototyping, hand tools, water-jet cutter, 3D printing, OnShape/SolidWorks, Ansys

### **COURSEWORK**

Instrument design (robotics) Object-oriented programming Circuit design and analysis Technical communication Signals and systems Discrete mathematics Mechanics of materials

# **ACTIVITIES/INTERESTS**

Climbing, backpacking, and skiing Craft beer and cooking Travel and adventures Photography

### **EXPERIENCE**

### **UBC Sailbot**

Sept 2018 - present

 Using ROS to connect a MATLAB based navigation system to a Gazebo simulation of the boat, in order to test our control systems before the physical boat is finished construction.

# **Blue Willow Systems**

Jan - May 2018

# Co-op Software Engineer

- Researched emerging localization techniques and developed proof of concept that integrated with our existing system.
- Implemented front and back end changes to customer-facing web and mobile applications to add new features and improve user experience.
- Wrote custom Android application to showcase company technology during sales meetings when the full, cloud-based system could not be installed.

# **UBC Solar**

Oct 2016 - Sept 2017

# Mechanical Design Team Member

- Design several components of the suspension, the steering rack, and the battery safety box in SolidWorks, and fabricated them using a water-jet cutter.
- Performed finite element analysis on the rear suspension using Ansys to ensure driver safety

### **PROJECTS**

### **Autonomous Rescue Robot**

Autonomous rescue robot that uses computer vision to detect and capture stuffed animals while navigating over bridges and gaps, and through narrow doorways. Built from scratch in 6 weeks.

### WikiGame Bot

Bot written in Java that uses Selenium and a SQL database of connected Wikipedia pages to find the shortest paths between any two random pages. Consistently wins while playing against humans at www.thewikigame.com

# Study App

Android application that schedules study session based on how well the user understood the material.

# **Bluetooth Doorlocks**

Modified 2002 Honda Civic that can be unlocked from a phone using Bluetooth.