

# Palaash Kolhe

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## Skills

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**Languages:** JavaScript, C, C++, Python, HTML, CSS, SCSS

**Technologies:** React.js, Node.js, OpenCV, MongoDB, Next.js, winkJS, Express, Firebase, React Native, OOP, Git

## Experience

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#### TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT INTERN

May 2021 – Sep 2021

- Led and built **full-stack portfolio balancing tool** using the **MERN stack** and **linear algebra computation** libraries to allow the user to realign the weightings of their assets, increasing user traffic by **13%**.
- Developed **front-end fair value projection page** using **React.js** and styled with **SCSS** to display automated discounted cash flow with **responsive charts** for every stock.
- Implemented **sentiment analysis** using **winkJS (NLP library)** and **Node.js** to analyze **10,000+** social media posts per day and quantify community sentiment surrounding stocks.
- Developed various **RESTful API endpoints** using **Axios** (promise-based **HTTP** client), to fetch data and update the **Mongo database**.
- Designed and created **server-side web application logic** using **Node.js** that integrated the app with other third-party web services such as **Facebook's Graph API**.

### Telus World of Science

#### ROBOTICS LAB ATTENDANT

Feb 2019 – Jan 2021

- Implemented a maze solver with the **ROBOTC** language in order to teach coding to visitors.
- Developed distance tracking and color trailing algorithms using **infrared and colour sensors** to increase overall maze completion rates by **40%**.

### Tech Talk Club

#### PRESIDENT

Sep 2019 – Jun 2020

- Developed workshop course material in **HTML**, **CSS**, and **Python** to spread the knowledge of programming in the community.
- Coordinated and led a team of executives and volunteers towards teaching the basics of programming to students.

## Projects

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### AI Investor Bot

Dec 2020 - Jan 2021

- Developed a **stock price forecaster** using **scikit-learn (ML library)** in **Python** to present potential growing stocks.
- Introduced complex data structures using **numpy** and **pandas** to streamline processing of **HTML** files, reduced data retrieval time by **29%**.
- Classified data using a **support vector machine** to predict which stocks were bound to do better than the S&P 500.

### Smart Glasses

Sep 2020 - Dec 2020

- Collaborated on a **5-person team** to create a pair of **text translating smart glasses** that scan foreign language text through a camera and display the English-translated text on the glasses lens.
- Developed a media transfer method using the **Dropbox API** in a **Python** script to transfer images taken from the glasses to a remote server for **text recognition and translation**.
- Devised the **OCR script** using **OpenCV** to scan foreign text and convert to English through the **Google Translate API**.

### Stock Market Widget

Jan 2020 - Jun 2020

- Constructed a **UI design-oriented graphical widget** using **Python** to display the latest stock data requested by clients.
- Scraped **HTML** data from finance websites with **Beautiful Soup 4** to create **labelled stock data**.

## Awards

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Mar 2018	<b>Nexen Sr. Innovator Award</b> Awarded to an <b>original project</b> that describes a <b>technological advancement</b> .	Wood Buffalo Youth Science Foundation
Feb 2019	<b>Collins Aerospace Innovate Award</b> Recognized for the <b>most innovative and creative</b> robot design solution.	FTC Alberta Championship

## Education

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### University of Waterloo

CANDIDATE FOR BACHELOR OF SOFTWARE ENGINEERING (BSE)

GPA: 3.9 / 4.0

Waterloo, ON

2020 – 2025