# **Alex Echols**

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### **EXPERIENCE**

# **Carnegie Mellon U.,** Pittsburgh, PA —Undergraduate Research Assistant

May 2024 - Aug 2024

- Worked with post-doctoral student to research thermal properties of semiconductor alloys using Molecular Dynamics (MD) simulations
- Implemented novel calculation methods for interatomic forces and atomic masses within the LAMMPS MD code

# **Markforged,** Waltham, MA — Materials Simulation and Testing Intern

May 2023 - Aug 2023

- Developed and executed plan for measuring physical properties for 3D printed parts
- Integrated physical data into existing simulation software
- Polished changes in order to prepare for a launch to existing customer base

#### **EDUCATION**

## Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh, PA

Bachelor of Science in Materials Science and Engineering

Expected Graduation: May 2025

GPA: 3.23/4.0

### **PROJECTS**

# **Hollow Knight TAS Assistant**— Lead Developer (2022-Present)

- Design and programming of a standalone executable which provides helpful information while working with the video game Hollow Knight
- Integration of software with existing programs, utilizing Lua, C#, and Python

### **RELEVANT COURSEWORK**

- Introduction to Materials Characterization
- Introduction to Polymer Science and Engineering
- Methods of Computational Materials Science
- Additive Manufacturing and Materials
- Writing about Data
- Hacker Fab 1: Building the Fab

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### **SKILLS**

**Software:** Python, C#, C++, MATLAB, CAD (Onshape, KiCAD), MS Office, Google Suite, ImageJ

Hardware: 3D Printing, Soldering, Lathe, Manual Mill, Basic Wood/Metalworking tools

Characterization:

Tensile/Compression Testing, SEM, EDS, Impact Testing, XRD

**Professional:** Written Communication, Critical Thinking, Problem Solving

#### **ACTIVITES**

Scotch'n'Soda Theatre, 2022-Present

FIRST Robotics Competition (FRC), 2017-2021

Cyberpatriot Cybersecurity Competition, 2019-2021

### **LEADERSHIP**

Shop Manager: Scotch'n'Soda Theatre, 2023-2024

Lead Carpenter: Scotch'n'Soda Theatre, 2022-2024 (10 shows)

**Team Captain: FRC Team #117,** 2020-2021