# Saksham Malhotra

Mechatronics Engineering Graduate | University of Waterloo | 2021

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#### HARDWARE EXPERIENCE

#### Lab Assistant, Velocity Incubator (University of Waterloo)

Jan 2020 - April 2020

- Completely remote internship during the COVID-19 pandemic
- Created SOPs and safety documentation for various lab stations used by start-ups at Velocity
- Developed 3D floor plan models of the workspace in SolidWorks as assemblies with corresponding drawings for COVID-19 safety maps

# Mechanical Engineering Assistant, Smarter Alloys

Jan 2020 - April 2020

- Designed and developed miniature thermal actuators for clients using shape memory alloys (NiTi) and conducted finite element analysis (FEA) in Fusion 360
- Conducted controlled experiments using laser processing and thermal treatments to analyzing the transformation behaviour of shape memory materials
- Designed mechanical fixtures using Fusion 360, along with electrical control boxes, for in-house lasers to increase their efficiency and safety

# Manufacturing Engineering Intern, Formlabs

May 2019 - Aug 2019

- Used SolidWorks to design, prototype and build multiple jigs to test laser safety by collecting light transmission data for customer facing parts of the Form 3 printer
- Validated laser safety testing jigs by conducting a Gage R&R study to establish a baseline for instrument and operator variation
- Organized and managed the in-depth quality control initiative for the first 300 customer-ready Form 3 printers during production ramp
- Worked with contract manufacturers by providing feedback from the quality control effort resulting in an 80% increase in first pass yield of the Form 3 printers

# Instrument Engineer, Nicoya Lifesciences

Oct 2018 - Dec 2018

- Transitioned the OpenSPR medical instrument from the development to manufacturing stage by creating detailed work instructions and a bill of materials
- Decreased manufacturing time of the OpenSPR by 60% by improving tolerances of the assembly design features
- Developed a comprehensive production schedule to provide accurate delivery times for new customers based on supplier lead times
- Optimized the manufacturing space and process flow resulting in a 200% increase in production

#### **Mechatronics Engineering Intern, RYSE (Formerly AXIS Inc.)**

July 2017 - Aug 2017

- Modeled a test jig in SolidWorks before building and wiring it to measure output current from a solar panel under various lighting conditions
- Tested and repaired various electronic components including a capacitive touch sensor and the main control board for the AXIS Gear
- Tested and assisted with the improvement of battery charging algorithm using UART debugging

#### **TOOLS**

SolidWorks

Fusion 360 (w/FEA)

**AutoCAD** 

**MATLAB** 

ePDM

Asana

Atlassian
(Jira/Confluence)

Amazon AWS

MySQL, Microsoft SQL

#### **MECHANICAL SKILLS**

Mechanical Design

Lean Manufacturing

SLA & FDM 3D Printing

Machining

Laser Cutting

Laser Processing

Soldering

# PROGRAMMING LANGUAGES

C++, Java

Python

Linux, Bash Scripting

HTML, CSS, JS

#### **EDUCATION**

**Degree:** Bachelor of Applied Science

Major: Mechatronics

Engineering

**Institution:** University of

Waterloo

Grad Date: April 2021

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#### **SOFTWARE EXPERIENCE**

# Software Developer, Bluejay Networks

Dec 2017 - Apr 2018

- Ported the UI component of an internal product to an Amazon AWS EC2 Linux instance and configured it using Apache Tomcat
- Created bash scripts in Linux to automate and optimize import and export of as2files
- Used Cron to implement and monitor the automation process

# Full Stack Developer, Bark 'n Yapp

May 2017 - July 2017

- Created a landing page for the company's main website using HTML, CSS and JavaScript
- Tested and modified various parts of the website and the mobile app including a verification system for new users, a payment system for vendors, and features for the user profile
- Used MySQL to assist with debugging and documentation of file paths

# **PROJECTS**

#### Smart Knee Brace for Osteoarthritis, University of Waterloo

July 2020 - April 2021

- Creating a smart unloader knee brace prototype to relieve pain for patients suffering from multicompartmental and unicompartmental Osteoarthritis
- Designed the brace in SolidWorks and built a functional prototype using aluminum sheet metal, custom 3D printed components, a spring and cable system, IMU sensors and motor system.
- Adopted a Kanban style of project management to manage the team and build the brace with minimal resources and budget during the COVID-19 pandemic
- Used Blender to create and edit marketing and demo videos for the brace

# Portfolio Website, Personal

Apr 2021 - Present

- Programming a personal portfolio website using HTML, CSS & Javascript and hosting it on github pages: <a href="https://malhotra-saksham.github.io/">https://malhotra-saksham.github.io/</a>

#### Security Camera (Stewart Platform), University of Waterloo

Sep 2019 - Dec 2019

- Modelled (MATLAB) and designed (SolidWorks) a security camera system built upon the foundation and principles of a Stewart Platform
- Programmed the motor moves routine to match a MATLAB inverse kinematics model in C++ on a STM32 Nucleo Board

#### 3D Printed Ukulele, Personal

July 2019

- Redesigned and 3D printed a soprano ukulele in multiple parts using an SLA 3D printer

# **Tetris,** University of Waterloo

June 2018

- Programmed the classic game of Tetris on a KeilMCB1700 boarding using C#

# Mentor/Control Systems Team Lead, F.I.R.S.T. Robotics

Sep 2014 - Sep 2017

- Designed and built the electronics control panel for a robot for high school robotics team

# PREVIOUS NOTABLE ACADEMIC COURSE

MEMS Fabrication

Digital Control Application

Fluid Dynamics

Fluid Power Systems

Thermodynamics

**Power Electronics** 

Real Time Systems

Electromechanical Machine Design

#### **SPOKEN LANGUAGES**

English

Hindi/Punjabi

#### **AWARDS**

President's Experiential Award (2021) University of Waterloo

President's International Experience Award (2020) University of Waterloo

President's Scholarship of Distinction (2017) **University of Waterloo** 

Leadership Award (2016) Gordon Graydon Memorial Secondary School

#### **INTERESTS**

Ultimate Frisbee

Basketball

Running

Ukulele

Piano

Gaming