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EDUCATION

Purdue University, West Lafayette | Master of Science (MS), Mechanical Engineering

Class of 2023

• Concentration in **Robotics**

Purdue University, West Lafayette | Bachelor of Science (BS) Mechanical Engineering

Class of 2022

• Minor in Computer Science

INDUSTRY

Mechanical Design Intern

May 2022 - Aug 2022

Stryker | Weston, FL

- Designed, fabricated, and assembled a 6-link robotic manipulator (modeled after MAKO 4 surgical robot) using Solidworks, encoders and actuators, and used MATLAB for control
- Developed procedure for kinematic calibration of a linear displacement bar to be used in field tuning of the MAKO 4, used in hip and knee replacement surgeries
- Created encoder testing fixture working for Advanced Operations team to assess performance of the magnetic encoders used in robot joints

Robotics & Controls Intern

May 2021 - Aug 2021

Johnson & Johnson Medtech | Redwood City, CA

- Restructured over 3,000 lines of code to improve simulated case testing for the Monarch Platform, a surgical robot used in minimally invasive bronchoscopy procedures
- Designed open-loop controllers to evaluate straightness of motion and directional accuracy of Monarch's catheter tip in a performance evaluation script used on every Monarch tool produced (~20,000 a year)
- Assisted in Reusable Single Use Device studies to increase the lifespan of Monarch endoscopes and endosheaths from 2 lives to 7 lives

R&D Engineering Intern

May 2019 – Aug 2019

DeVoro Medical | Fremont, CA

- Fabricated outer catheter puller shafts to be used in Canadian and Argentinian human trials of a WOLF Thrombectomy Device for patients suffering from acute ischemic stroke
- Developed complete manufacturing process of knitting and heat setting a 24-needle nitinol weave to be utilized in production of WOLF Thrombectomy Devices to treat peripheral aneurysms
- Conducted a sealer validation study on a Van Der Stahl Scientific MS-350-NP Medical Device Impulse Pouch Sealer to license its use on 880Medical LLC products

RESEARCH

Undergraduate Research Assistant

Sept 2019 – May 2021

Purdue University | West Lafayette, IN

- Tested Li-ion batteries to produce safer and high-performance batteries for electric vehicles by modeling thermal characteristics under normal and anomalous operating conditions
- Researched process to quantify muscle forces using motion capture, MATLAB, and electromyography to identify stresses in individual musculoskeletal tissues to protect athletes from injury
- Investigated photocatalytic membranes using TiO₂ as a catalyst to enhance the decomposition of pesticides, fluoropolymers, and pathogens in water systems adjacent to textile manufacturing facilities

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Programming Languages

• Python, MATLAB, Java, C, objective C, C++, R, SQL, MongoDB

Integrated Development Environments

PyCharm, Bluebird, XCode, Glow Script, IntelliJ, LabVIEW, MySQL

CAD Software

• Solidworks, PTC Creo, CATIA, Siemens NX, AutoCAD
