

# Prajna Kandarpa

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## ABOUT

Mechatronics (Robotics) Engineer with expertise in big data, machine learning and full stack web development. I'm eager to show the potential of data science to improve process efficiency, detect hidden trends, model organizational risks and predict engineering failures in any industry.

## EDUCATION

### UNIV. OF WATERLOO

BACHELOR OF APPLIED SCIENCE IN

MECHATRONICS ENGINEERING

May 2016 | Waterloo, Canada

Internships: 7 | Experience: 3 years

## SKILLS

### LANGUAGES

Extensive:

JavaScript • R • Python • HTML/CSS

MATLAB • Bash

Comfortable:

Go • Spark • Hadoop • C • Objective-C

Java • Typescript

### TECHNOLOGIES

Extensive:

Node.js • AngularJS • Git • Unix

Emacs • docker • Amazon Web Services

LaTeX • PostgreSQL • MySQL

Comfortable:

Django • Flask • XCode • DevOps

## LINKS

GitHub: [github.com/prajnak](https://github.com/prajnak)

Website: [prajis.me](http://prajis.me)

Blog: [prajis.me/blog](http://prajis.me/blog)

## COURSEWORK

### UNDERGRADUATE

(MTE 262) Microprocessors and Digital Logic

(MTE 241) Computer Structures and Real-time systems

(MTE 320) Actuators & Power Electronics

(MTE 360) Automatic Control Systems

(SYDE 575) Image Processing

(SYDE 372) Pattern Recognition

(SYDE 522) Machine Intelligence

(SYDE 552) Computational Neuroscience

## EXPERIENCE

### FULL STACK ENGINEER | DATA SCIENCE @ ACERTA SYSTEMS ANALYTICS

July 2015 - Dec '15, Jun '16 - Dec '16 | Waterloo, Canada

- Designed and built web apps, backend services, machine learning models and data processing pipelines during a 14 month stint as **Employee #1**
- Worked in **Javascript**, **Python (scikit-learn)**, **R(stats, dplyr)**, **Go(fasthttp)**
- Trained new employees in R and Python for data modelling and visualization
- Forward facing role included interactions with Fiat Chrysler engineers to scope out and deliver solutions for their data analytics

### RESEARCH ASSOCIATE | DATA SCIENCE @ UNIV. OF WATERLOO

June 2016 - Dec 2016 | Waterloo, Canada

- Developed techniques for unsupervised and supervised anomaly detection in time series big data collected from automotive and aeronautical systems
- Mainly used **R**, **Python**, **Apache Spark** and **LaTeX**

### FULL STACK ENGINEER | VIDEO STREAMING | OS X @ UBIQ, INC.

March 2015 - June 2015 | Waterloo, Canada

- Built an OS X application for streaming wirelessly to enterprise meeting rooms
- Improved streaming latency by **80%** and worked in Objective-C, C, Cocoa and Xcode
- Provided **customer support** as well as **on site product installations**

### DIAGNOSTICS ENGINEER | HARDWARE TESTING @ ARISTA NETWORKS

May 2014 - December 2014 | Santa Clara, California

- Created software based hardware test automation of a new gigabit ethernet switch
- Collaborated with Hardware, Software and Bootloader teams to ensure project delivery

### SOFTWARE DEVELOPER - R&D | AGILE | SCRUM @ TRAPEZE GROUP

Sep 2013 - Dec 2013 | Mississauga, Canada

- Built a dashboard to provide project managers insight into their code repository statistics for tracking usage and feature creep
- Used Java Servlets, Grails (MVC framework) and Javascript

## PROJECTS

### TALON SEP 2015 - MARCH 2016 | TALONCO.GITHUB.IO

- Final year team design project where we built an add-on kit for delivery trucks that enables drone deliveries without massive capital requirements
- Responsible for Radio communications, flight controller tuning and web services

### CROP YIELD PREDICTION FEB 2016 - MAR 2016 | [LINK TO PAPER](#)

- Used Neural Network architectures to predict crop yields in India from a dataset containing meteorological and geographical features
- Data was cleaned, modelled and visualized using **R(dplyr, caret, ggplot2)**, **LaTeX**