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#### **ABOUT ME**

As a Master's student at Aalto University, and a software engineering fellow at Headstarter AI, I have collaborated with diverse industry teams and led multiple groups, applying a multidisciplinary approach to complex engineering projects. I have developed front-end and back-ends in React.js and Node.js and you can visit my website at <a href="https://saadahmedrana.github.io/">https://saadahmedrana.github.io/</a> to learn more about my projects.

## **DIGITAL SKILLS**

Backend-Development / Node.Js, React.Js / HTML / Docker / CSS / Frontend - (React Js, React Native) / Typescript / Python / C# / Raspberry Pi and Arduino Programming / Git / ROS1 and ROS2

#### **WORK EXPERIENCE**

## **Software Engineering Fellow**

**Headstarter AI** [ 08/08/2024 – Current ]

- Sample Websites: <a href="https://saadahmedrana.github.io/">https://saadahmedrana.github.io/</a> | <a href="https://pantry-tracker-saad.vercel.app/">https://pantry-tracker-saad.vercel.app/</a>
- Developed a personal portfolio website using React|S and optimized it building a strong grip on frontend design.
- · Built 5 Al projects including an inventory management system with complete backend design in NodelS.
- Used Firebase, hosted website using Vercel for the product, and hosted personal portfolio website on GitHub.

## **Product Designer for Self-Assembling Overhead Crane**

**KoneCranes** [ 26/08/2024 - Current ]

Country: Finland

- Working with Konecranes to ease the end-installation of overhead cranes for a sustainable future.
- The project has received a funding of 10,000 Euros for the Product Development Project (PDP).
- My role in the team is to develop an innovative solution and build the prototype for it.

# **Management Trainee Engineer**

**Fauji Fertilizer Company Ltd.** [ 16/08/2023 – 16/04/2024 ]

**Management of Daily Jobs:** As an area engineer, I planned and executed daily maintainence jobs at Machinery-Urea unit. **Practical Training on Equipment:** I actively took part in a comprehensive training on design, working and maintenance of pumps, compressors, turbines, valves, heat exchanges, reactor vessels and refractories.

**Quality Assurance:** I highlighted key-areas for moving towards Six-Sigma and brought down the rejection ratio of urea prills from 8% to 6%.

### **Research Assistant**

Pakistan Institute of Engineering & Applied Sciences [ 01/06/2020 - 28/06/2023 ]

- Developed a human-friendly engineering analysis software for and provided support for the client.
- Designed and tested the mechanical shaker for research in vibrations lab.
- Provided support with teaching and exercise sessions for the course in Renewable Energy Resources.

# **PROJECTS**

[10/01/2022 - 07/09/2022]

## **Inventory Management System**

- Developed a website to manage the inventory using NodeJS and Material UI and hosted the website using Vercel.
- GPT AI was used to classify images and update the firebase.

[01/06/2022 - 28/06/2023]

#### **Para Thrust App**

- MATLAB application with a human-friendly GUI that lets the user design a turbojet engine of single-spool configuration.
- A UAV was designed using this app, following NASA's Systems Engineering Handbook, and published as a thesis.
- The client is currently using the software at the industry.

[ 15/06/2024 - Current ]

### Voice Activated Robot using ROS2 and Alexa Skills Kit SDK

- · Built a URDF voice-activated robot model for domestic use using ROS2 in Linux and integrated it with Amazon Alexa.
- Executed Path planning in the MoveIT environment using cartesian coordinates while computing in quaternion coordinates.

### **EDUCATION AND TRAINING**

## **Master of Science in Mechanical Engineering**

Aalto University [ 26/08/2024 - Current ]

City: Espoo | Country: Finland | Final grade: 5.0/5.0

- Major: Mechatronics | Minor: Product Development
- Development of Self-Assembling Crane with Konecranes for innovation in industry.
- Maintained a perfect GPA of 5.0 out of 5.0 during the first term and secured Finland Scholarship.

## **BS** Mechanical Engineering

Pakistan Institute of Engineering and Applied Sciences [ 17/09/2019 - 27/06/2023 ]

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- Secured Research Fellowship and received a Certificate of Merit for an outstanding CGPA of 3.77/4.0.
- Helped 500+ students with their fees by leading the forum Muaawin for educating the less privileged students.
- Developed a MATLAB Application and served as the president of the American Society for Mechanical Engineers-PIEAS.

#### **EXTRA CURRICULARS**

[ 09/09/2022 - 28/06/2023 ]

## 1st Place in Regionals of Hult Prize

- PROBLEM SOLVED: Collection of plastic waste from industries and households targeting SDG 12 of the UN.
- Built an app and a pyrolysis plant to enable the user to sell their plastic waste which is recycled in the plant.
- As a team lead, I presented the prototypes at the Hult Prize International Dhaka Summit held in May 2022.

Link: https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1LLbDs4iAED0RcMbFeJNWyZWfduLMmAbT?usp=drive\_link

## Duke of Edinburgh International Award ~

- Led a dynamic team of 60 people in a program of learning and growth for 6 months and achieved a bronze-level award.
- Raised funding for 20 computers at a local school for the underprivileged and taught them basic Python.
- Provided the team with basketball and guitar playing lessons bi-weekly.