# SAHIL SHAH

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## **EDUCATION**

The University of Texas at Austin Bachelor of Science, Mechanical Engineering

Minor in Computer Science

Concentration: Statistics, Probability, Data Science

#### **EXPERIENCE**

## The Home Depot – Software Engineering Intern; Remote

May 2023 - Aug 2023

May 2025

- Built a Python ML pipeline to automate the population of Big Query column descriptions, enhancing data discoverability
- Engineered a prompt for Google PaLM 2 LLM, and ran the model using SQL (BQML) to generate descriptions with 70% accuracy
- Validated model responses using a tested BERTScore model, saving 100+ man-hours
- Scaled the pipeline by parallelizing API calls so that employees can retrieve descriptions for any given table

#### Texas Department of Transportation – Engineering Support Intern; Austin, TX

May 2022 – Aug 2022

- Deployed script in waves to update 10,000+ company devices to Windows 21H2; Troubleshooted until 100% success
- Automated device backup/restore and desktop notifications with SCCM to prevent human error on weekly tasks
- Configured 18 laptops and iPhones with a specific UI as a kiosk system for a company conference
- Innovated a method to customize laptop set-up process with a scripted, auto-run USB drive, streamlining manual process by 150%

## Fire Research Group – Undergraduate Researcher; Austin, TX

Mar 2022 - May 2023

- Burned an electric vehicle in a sealed garage and constructed a solenoid gas pump system to extract the air inside
- Developed a method to analyze battery fires with a mathematical algorithm in Python relating gas colors to toxicity (85% accurate)

#### **ACADEMIC PROJECTS**

**Wine Quality Predictor** – *Intern (The Home Depot)* 

Summer 2023

- Trained a machine learning model that predicted wine quality increasing accuracy by 61%
- Determined the quality on a scale 1-10 based on 11 factors using a RandomForrestRegressor

## **Delivery Drone** – *Project Lead (UAVA)*

Spring 2023

- Designed a body and electrical system for a drone that would deliver emergency medical supplies to students on campus
- Programmed AI flight control algorithm for a drone to travel the safest and quickest path to and from destination

### **Household Object Finder** – *Competitor (UT Austin)*

Fall 2021

- Competed in a hackathon for the most accurate ML model to identify certain objects from living room pictures
- Received 1<sup>st</sup> place by utilizing a neural network to successfully identify all 38 unique household objects required by the rules

### **LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE AND ACTIVITIES**

**Texas Raas** – Executive Board

Fall 2023 - Present

- Spearheading the production of a dance, including audio track, choreography, theme, and props for 5 national competitions
- Delegating tasks to efficiently meet deadlines set by captains, while managing a \$15,000 budget

## **Unmanned Aerial Vehicles Austin (UAVA)** – *Project Lead*

Fall 2022 - Spring 2023

- Supervised hardware and software teams to collaborate and complete a drone build in time for a race
- Taught needed technical skills (CAD, Python) to new members and facilitated their integration into the existing teams

## **SKILLS**

Languages and Frameworks: Python, SQL, R, JavaScript, React, Java, MATLAB, HTML, CSS, Powershell, C++

Developer Tools: Git, VS Code, PyCharm, Google Cloud Platform, Jira, Kaggle, SCCM

Libraries: NumPy, Pandas, Matplotlib, Sci-Kit Learn, TensorFlow, PyTorch, NLTK, Kubernetes

Relevant Coursework: Software Design, Data Structures/Algorithms, Linear Algebra, Statistics, Probability, Engineering Computation Mechanical: CAD, Laser Cutting, 3D printing, Machining, Embedded Systems, Dynamic Systems, FEA, System Design, Arduino

## **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

Interests: Music Production, Project Cars, Entrepreneurship, Drawing, Traveling, Cooking, Chess, Poker

Achievements: Raas All-Stars National Championship 1st Place (2023), President's Volunteer Service Award (2020)

Work Eligibility: Eligible to work in the U.S. with no restrictions