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Competition field

CONTEXT

Robot challenges for competition:

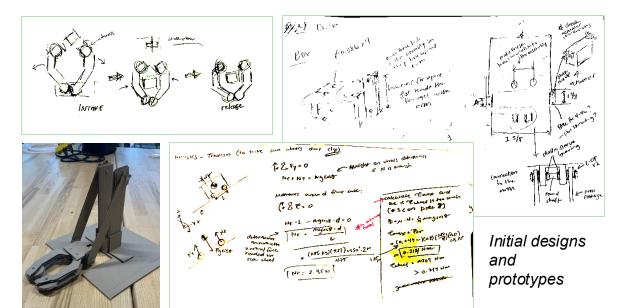
- Pick up blocks, hockey pucks, and dog toys and place in tic-tac-toe board
- Traverse synthetic grass and 15 and 30 degree inclines

CONTRIBUTIONS

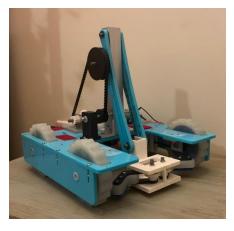
- Managed project tasks and reviewed all designs
- Designed drivetrain and assembled final robot CAD
- Calculated torque, motor, COM constraints
- Manufactured and assembled gearbox, arm, and claw components

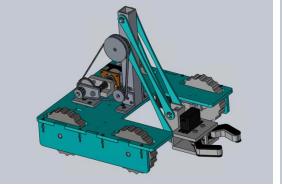
Turf Wars Claw Robot

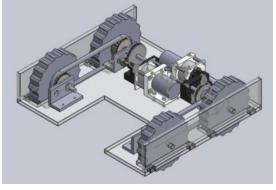
Class Project (Jan 2025 – May 2025)











SKILLS

- Mechanical Design
- Solidworks
- CNC Milling
- Manual Lathing
- Bandsaw, Drill Press

Research

Bertoldi Group - *Undergraduate Researcher* (Jan 2025 – present)

CONTEXT

Research Question: Can kirigami-patterned textiles enhance convective cooling relative to a bare surface?

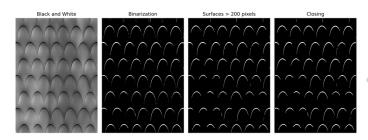
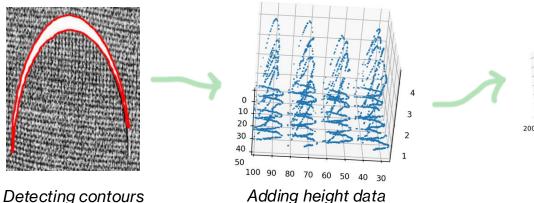


Image processing

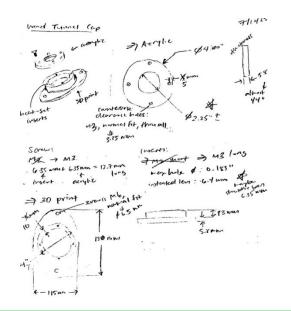
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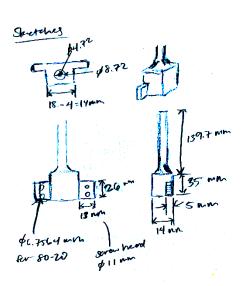
- Develop post-processing script to track contours as textile is stretched and calculate 2D area, 3D area, and volume
- Designed parts for experimental setup
- Conducted Instron experiments to collected luminance and height data using laser profilometer

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3.0 2.5 2.5 2.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 350 450 1350 1250 1250 1250 1350 3D area





SKILLS

- Python
 - OpenCV, SciPy
- Mechanical Design
- Solidworks
- Instron

*Details and pictures of the textile are excluded due to ongoing research

Solar-Powered Mechanical Flowers

Conflux Collective - *Mechanical Team Member* (Jan 2025 – present)

CONTEXT

- Public art installation about agrivoltaics
- Mechanical flowers powered by above solar panels



Initial setup (from the previous year)









Prototypes (paper and cardboard) to final product*

CONTRIBUTIONS

- Designed Hoberman-inspired flower
- CAD flower parts with Fusion360
- Laser cut and assembled flower

SKILLS

- Mechanical Design
- Fusion 360
- Laser Cutting

Water Distribution in Dominican Republic

Engineers Without Borders – Revit Team Member, 2025 Travel Team Member (Jan 2025 – present)

CONTEXT

- 9 year long project in Dominican Republic to build water distribution system
- Gravity-fed water system with borehole well and two tanks



CONTRIBUTIONS

- Revise Revit models
- Communicated with community about experience with water system
- Conducted water quality and water flow tests
- Compiled detailed notes of each travel day



Measuring water level



Upper tank



Upper tank valve box

SKILLS

- Humanitarian Design
- International Development
- Revit
- Water Engineering

From Amazon to Atelier: Violin Workshopping

Class Project (Jan 2025 – May 2025)

CONTEXT

Improve the sound of a cheap, unfinished violin



Beginning product



CONTRIBUTIONS

- Tested modes 2 and 5 using Audacity frequency analysis and tea
- Carved top plate to adjust modes
- Shaved bridge
- Adjusted soundpost to fit perfectly
- Assembled violin



Mode 2



Mode 5







End product

SKILLS

- Woodworking
 - Planes
 - Handsaw

Voted best sounding violin in class of 6 (through anonymous recordings)

Repairs: Bikes, Instant Pot

BIKE INNER TUBE LEAK

Problem: Holes in bike inner tube









Solution:

- Located hole in bucket of water and soap
- Sealed hole with bike repair patch
- * Did not work: continued to leak after a few rides

Solution:

- Used multimeter to test resistance and discovered higher value on low pressure sensor
- Removed tiny piece of lint from sensor contacts

SKILLS

- Problem & Solution
- Multimeter

INSTANT POT PRESSURE SENSOR

Problem: "C6" error: pressure sensor malfunction









