Bharath Sivaram

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Education

M.S. Robotics Expected May 2023

University of Minnesota - Twin Cities

GPA: 3.8

B.S. Mechanical Engineering

University of Minnesota - Twin Cities

GPA: 3.4

Experience

Engineering Intern, GRIP Molecular

June 2021-Aug 2021

2021

St.Paul. MN

- Prototyped and optimized device housing designs using Fusion360 and SLA 3DPrinting
- Fabricated PDMS microfluidics and tested pressure methods for user-friendly sample delivery
- Designed PCBs and casing for efficient chip testing and simple device use for nurses

Research Assistant, $Tithof\ Lab$

Sept 2020-May 2021

Minneapolis, MN

- Ran simulations using MATLAB to investigate behavior of 2D flows powered by random magnet arrays
- Built and verified test rig to conduct 2D flow experiments
- Shared results and conducted literature reviews weekly regarding 2D flow and glymphatics

Co-Op Engineer, Medtronic

Sept 2019-Aug 2020

Moundsview, MN

- Performed a literature review and established the minimum contact force for a gold contact interface in next-gen pacemaker design
- Analyzed MATLAB models of device moisture and calculated desiccant amount to meet requirements
- Researched Ti alloy stress relaxation and wrote a test plan for battery spring design based on research
- Drafted plan and prepared samples for crack resistance testing of wire used in a power transfer assembly

Projects

Object Motion Recreation

Fall 2021

- Used MATLAB to recreate motion from a Xbox Kinect Point cloud video
- Leveraged clustering and ICP alignment to isolate and plot motion of a swinging object
- \bullet Obtained accuracy within 15% when recreating motion without a base model point cloud

Autonomous Package Collect/Drop

Fall 2021

- Used a Turtlebot and ROS to demonstrate small scale package delivery in unknown environment
- Integrated USB-camera and Aruco pose tracking for package alignment
- Used ROS and Python to write functioning node allowing for Turtlebot autonomy
- Tested nodes in Gazebo and transferred to physical system

Microfluidics for Rapid Diagnostics

Spring 2021

- Used Solidworks and COMSOL to design channel paths for optimal flow profile
- Verified simulation results in MATLAB using simplified math modeling of system
- Wrote detailed plan regarding materials/manufacturing for microfluidic channels and device shell

Skills

Software: Python, MATLAB, ROS, Linux, C++, PTC CREO, Fusion360

Coursework: Machine Learning, Robot Vision, NLP, Spatial Enabled AI, Sensing/Estimation

Languages: English, Tamil, Spanish