

# Pranav Sukesh

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## Education

### Purdue University, College of Science

*Bachelor of Science, Computer Science*

**Expected: May 2028**

*West Lafayette, Indiana*

- **GPA: 4.00**; Concentration in Computer Graphics and Visualization, Minor in Mathematics

### Harker Upper School

*High School Diploma*

**May 2025**

*San Jose, California*

- **Weighted GPA: 4.56/4.8**; Game Development Club President, FIRST Robotics Team 1072 Machining Director
- Relevant Coursework: AP® Computer Science A with Data Structures, Computer Architecture, Compilers and Interpreters, Neural Networks, Robot Kinematic Software

## Activities

### Special Interest Group in Game Development (SIGGD), Purdue University

**Aug. 2025 – Present**

*Software Developer*

*West Lafayette, Indiana*

- Designed, implemented, and quality tested software for SIGGD's annual game development project, a 3D action-survival game, leveraging knowledge in design patterns, scalable architectures, and the Unity game engine to develop a robust codebase.
- Collaborated with artists and sound designers to incorporate their work into the product to best deliver an interactive experience.
- Specialized in shader design, dependency injection, and independent subsystem development to best support the team.

### IEEE Autonomous Racing, Purdue University

**Oct. 2025 - Present**

*Embedded Controls Lead*

*West Lafayette, Indiana*

- Spearheaded development of embedded software for autonomous control of a racing vehicle for Purdue's evGrandPrix, developing a finite state machine architecture to communicate with our central processing unit through ROS2.
- Prioritized safety and reliability in motor control and emergency behavior, ensuring proper control of our vehicle during races.
- Oversaw microcontroller integration with electrical, mechanical, and algorithmic divisions of our team in developing our final vehicle.

## Relevant Experience

### Computer Architecture TA, Harker Upper School

**Jan. 2025 – May 2025**

*Teaching Assistant*

*San Jose, California*

- Explained computer architecture principles, including logic gates, Karnaugh maps, and Von Neumann architectures, to a class of 20 students, working together with the course's teacher, and provided 1-on-1 debugging support during and after class sessions.
- Programmed EEPROMS for class use and distributed integrated circuits, handouts, and relevant materials to students.

## Projects

### Original Game Development Creations | C#, Unity

**Jun. 2023 - Present**

- As an independent game developer, created 8 original 3D video games in the game engine Unity using C# in teams of 1-5 people.
- Designed, programmed, and conducted playtesting over the span of 1-3 weeks, with the finished product published online on itch.io.

### 3D Model Slicer and G-code Compiler for 3D Printing | Python

**Sep. 2025**

- Engineered an algorithm for slicing 3D models into layers and generating an infill pattern as a preliminary step for 3D printing.
- Programmed a compiler that converts these sliced models into 3D printer toolpath instructions (G-code), which is simulated on a built-in visualizer and can be run on a physical 3D printer.

### 3D Rendering Engine and Inverse Kinematics Simulator | Python

**Jan. 2025 - Jul. 2025**

- Built a graphics engine backend from the ground up in Python using mathematical principles of linear algebra and affine transformations to rasterize a virtual 3-dimensional space onto a pixel screen as seen by a dynamic virtual camera present in-engine.
- Implemented a numerical inverse kinematics simulation, enabling motion planning for robotic arms of arbitrary joint configurations.
- Authored a paper about the mathematics and functionality present in the engine, to be published on Purdue's SIGHORSE publication.

## Skills

- **Languages:** Proficient in C#, Python, C++, Java, Comfortable with C, MIPS32 Assembly, OpenGL, HLSL, LaTeX
- **Software:** Unity, Unreal Engine, Blender, Autodesk Maya, Autodesk Fusion 360, Onshape, Arduino, Raspberry Pi
- **Skills:** Computer Graphics, Shader Technology, Inverse Kinematics, Computational Geometry, Computer Aided Machinery (CAM), CAD and 3D Modeling, Integrated Circuits, Game Design, LLM Architecture and Training, Automata Theory