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Growing up, engineering was never one of my strengths. While other children were masters of creativity and building, I was that one kid who failed at Legos. Many years later, the situation has begun to change. Last June, I received an invitation to join a robotics team, “The Green Machhhhine.” Reluctantly, with a bit of pressure from my parents, I joined the team, not knowing what I wanted to achieve. At first, robotics was a nightmare; I didn’t understand what most the tools were called, and the brainstorming process was quite difficult. However, with guidance from my gracious team members, I slowly began to open up to the new world of robotics. Although I still definitely cannot compare to the other talented robotics members, I have been able to learn from the experience. VEX has allowed me to expand my horizon. A famous saying goes, “If you find an opportunity, take it.” I’ve taken that opportunity in VEX, and the opportunity has led to growing insight in the world of engineering.