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AT A GLANCE

- Embedded systems software developer
- Possesses hands-on knowledge on the use of hardware tools (signal/protocol analyzers, logic probes, oscilloscope and JTAG debuggers), can solder and understand schematics
- **Also** possesses hands-on knowledge on the use of OSS software tools for static code analysis, code formatting, sanitizing and debugging
- **But**, would rather create simple efficient code than debug
- **Always** utilizes the test driven approach to development
- Passion to know how things work
- Fast learner and critical thinker
- Created/managed software for several large international companies
- Was a consultant for a very fast paced nanotech automation startup company
- Possesses a Bachelor's degree in Mathematics (majoring in Computer Science)
- Capable of working independently as well as part of a team
- Does not need an IDE to get work done, give me vi/vim/neovim and ksh
- **work is play** attitude ever since graduating from university
- **In my spare time I:** code, study/learn, tinker, read, explore, break things (*sometimes*)

GOALS

- Apply my **experience** and **expertise** to new technology domains
- Use the latest tools and techniques to implement efficient, safe and secure systems that will benefit society

SKILLS, EXPERIENCE

- Specialties: Embedded software and real-time systems; Bare-metal embedded development; Board bring-up; Open Source Software (OSS) Operating systems;
- Operating Systems: **Linux** (Ubuntu, Arch Linux, Alpine Linux, chroot); OpenBSD; Windows (WSL/WSL2);
- Single Board Computers/MCUs: Raspberry Pi; RISC-V (Milk-V); RP2040 (Raspberry Pi Pico); SAM3X8E (Arduino Due), STM32 (pyboard, Blue Pill); Z80
- Programming Languages: **C/Modern C** (25+ years, **C99**, **C11**, **C18**, **C23**); **C++/Modern C++** (5+ years, **C++11**, **C++14**, **C++17**, **C++20**, **C++23**); **Python** (5+ years); **Rust** (1+ yr, self-study); **Haskell** (1+ yr, self-study); Assembly (ARM, RISC-V)
- Version Control System: **git** (10+ years); **CVS**; **GitLab**; **GitHub**; Perforce
- Virtualization/Emulation: **Docker**; **QEMU**
- General tools: vi/vim/neovim; ack/ag/grep/ripgrep; sed; awk; Korn Shell; make; cmake; gcc/g++/gdb; gcov/lcov; clang/clang++/lldb; clang-format; clang-tidy; cppcheck; libFuzzer; valgrind/memcheck; ghc/ghci; cargo/rustc; openocd; GitHub Actions; GitHub CodeSpaces; VS Code (Live Share); Google Test; Google Benchmark; Arduino IDE

WORK EXPERIENCE

Voxa Japan, Yokohama, Japan

Nanotech imaging startup

- Software Developer, Part-time / Consultant 2024 – 2024
 - Implemented a piezoelectric motor driver
 - Reverse engineered Rust code that was re-implemented in C++
 - Implemented modules that performed low-level communications with ADCs, DACs via **SPI**
 - Implemented modules that performed low-level communications with pumps via **RS485**
 - Learned the shortcomings of the SAM3X8E micro-controller

Kyocera Document Solutions Minatomirai Research Center, Yokohama, Japan

I transferred to Japan from the US, the company renamed and moved to Yokohama in 2018

- Software Engineer, Research & Development 2008 – 2024
 - Pushed for the use of Modern C++ and modern compilers in the current legacy code base.
 - Studied modern static code analysis using CodeQL and LLVM.
 - Successfully converted PoC scripts (small, <1 KLOC, duck-typed scripting language) to C++ (modern C++ is only C++11 in this case because of integration requirement ... two dreaded words, legacy code).
 - Successfully implemented an automated data acquisition/scraping system in **Python**, and later converted to Rust as a proof-of-concept and programming practice.

- Successfully implemented an on-premise automated integration build and deployment system using **Jenkins**, **Docker** and robotframework.
- Successfully implemented an image acquisition, analysis and verification system using **Python**.
- Successfully implemented a chat-based (Webex bot) control system for remote automated device power control using **Python**.
- Ported, implemented and tested Linux-based software written in **C/C++** for PowerPC and ARM architectures.
- Performed successful board bring-up of new platforms using **u-boot**.
- **Linux** OS kernel maintenance, back-porting latest mainline patches to internal development branch.
- Investigated and fixed reported bugs.

Kyocera Technology Development, California, USA

- Software Engineer, Embedded Systems Engineer 2006 – 2008
 - Ported, implemented and tested Linux-based embedded software written in **C/C++** for printer controllers running on embedded Linux.
 - Optimized proprietary image pipeline using multi-core processing.

Canon Information Technologies Philippines, Manila, Philippines

- Software Engineer, Technical Lead, Quality Assurance Specialist 1997 – 2006
 - Designed, implemented and tested embedded software written in **C** for printer controllers running on bare-metal/proprietary OS.
 - Supported the design, testing, benchmarks and conformity certifications of the project.
 - Attended Bluetooth UnplugFest (an international interoperability testing event) organized by the Bluetooth SIG.
 - Monitored discussions of the Printer Working Group (PWG).

EDUCATION

University of Santo Tomas, Manila, Philippines

- BS in Mathematics Major in Computer Science 1994 – 1997
 - Thesis: LUCas Encryption
 - Focus: Implementation of LUC encryption based on a Dr. Dobb's Journal article *LUC Public-key Encryption: A Secure Alternative to RSA 1993*, public key cryptography.

CONTINUOUS LEARNING

ACCUConf	CppCon	CppNow	cpponseas	LLVM
MeetingCPP	NDC Conferences	C++ reference	C reference	Udemy

[LinkedIn Learning](#)

[RIKEN Center for Advanced Intelligence Project \(AIP\) English Presentations](#)

- [RIKEN AIP Youtube Channel](#)

LANGUAGES

English: [Native level](#)
Filipino/Tagalog: [Native level](#)
Japanese: [Greeting level](#)

INTERESTS

old computing/vintage devices, Open Source Software, Operating Systems, Programming Languages, Secure Programming, Functional Programming