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Education

University of Calgary Calgary, AB
BSc in Electrical Engineering, Minor in Digital Engineering — GPA: 3.64 *Aug. 2019 – May 2024*
Coursework: Digital Systems Design, Electrical Engineering Energy Systems, Advanced Software Design and Development

Experience

Digital Hardware Engineer (Intern) May 2022 – Aug 2023
Ericsson Canada Inc *Ottawa, ON*
- Verified digital circuit designs using Cadence Allegro, leveraging existing radio board schematics.
- Achieved 70% reduction in Thermal verification time by designing and developing a test automation tool in Python.
- Created test cases to verify and debug tool output, showcasing analytical and debugging skills.
- Delivered technical presentation to hardware teams, leading to successful company-wide tool adoption.
- Ensured electrical functionality by conducting Power Rail Analysis, verifying power rail integrity on high voltage radio boards using a multimeter, and performing technical calculations to ensure compliance with regulations.
- Led research on high-frequency testing equipment, targeting optimal performance and value by comparing price with datasheet specifications and testing requirements.

Android SDK/NDK Full-Stack Developer (Intern) Feb 2023 – Aug 2023
Ericsson Canada Inc. *Ottawa, ON*
- Developed and optimized an Android app using JavaScript, React Native, C++, and C.
- Managed tasks with Jira and ensured code quality through continuous debugging and peer reviews using Gerrit.
- Reduced page load times by 90% by implementing infinite scrolling, showcasing expertise in software optimization.
- Collected and analyzed 5G performance metrics (throughput, error rate) contributing to app development.

Electrical Team Lead Sept 2021 – Sept 2022
Team Zeus *Calgary, AB*
- Developed comprehensive and easily comprehendible documents for modifications on an electric motorcycle.
- Collaborated with other technical teams to integrate electrical systems into the vehicle.
- Performed multiple drafting tasks and ensured synchronous data-keeping for all electrical sub-teams.
- Assisted in designing and testing Battery Management System (BMS) and Electrical Control Unit (ECU).
- Gained an understanding of principles of bike operation and learned about workshop safety practices.

Projects and Courses

Automated Transit Enforcement | *Python, Git, Software Dev, Hardware Dev, OpenCV* Sept 2023 – May 2024
- Led the design and development of an automated enforcement system for bus-only lanes, integrating embedded hardware (Raspberry Pi, GPS, LiDAR) and machine learning (YOLOv8) to enhance public safety and optimize transit operations.
- Conducted research for component selection based on literature, electric ratings, and cost while ensuring functionality and compatability.
- Achieved a 36% reduction in power consumption through embedded programming and sensor integration.
- Designed multi-purpose hardware enclosure using SOLIDWORKS for both in-bus and on-street application.
- Performed extensive testing to ensure system reliability and performance under various conditions.
- Regularly shared progress with Calgary Transit, explaining tehcnical details in easy to undestand manner, showcasing strong oral and written communication skills.
- Prepared documentation outlining technical specifications, system performance and actionable insights for future implementation.

Power Systems Analysis | *Power Flow, Stability, Control* Sept 2023 – Dec 2023
- Performed advanced power flow studies (decoupled, fast decoupled, DC) and conducted distribution factor and contingency analysis.
- Investigated transient and voltage stability, and examined load frequency and voltage control of generators.
- Studied power generation economics and modeled complex power systems using PSSE.

Technical Skills

Languages: VHDL, Java, Python, C/C++, MATLAB, JavaScript, HTML/CSS, Assembly (ARM, MIPS)
Developer Tools: Git, Gerrit, Linux, PuTTy, MS Azure, VS Code, PyCharm, Jira
Design and Simulation: SOLIDWORKS, Cadence Allegro, MODELSIM, NI Multisim, PS:SE, Intel Quartus Prime, SIMULINK
Hardware Tools: Oscilloscope, Spectrum Analyzer, Multimeter, Solder, Power Supplies, STM MCU, Pynq Z2 FPGA, PIC MCU
Libraries: Pandas, NumPy, Matplotlib, Seaborn, Tkinter, Keras, OpenCV, Pillow, Scikit-learn

Awards

Jason Lang Scholarship(2020, 2021, 2023), **Dean's List**(2020, 2021, 2024)