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Education

- Imperial College London, Master of Engineering, Computer Engineering (EIE)** **Oct 2021 - Jun 2025**
- Combined degree in Department of Electrical Engineering and Department of Computing.
 - Achieved First Class honours in 1st and 2nd year with top marks in Mathematics, Control Systems and Compilers.
 - Relevant Modules: Advanced Computer Architecture, System Performance Engineering, Algorithms and Complexity, Databases and Networks, Instruction Architectures and Compilers.
- Emirates International School Jumeirah, Dubai, United Arab Emirates** **Sep 2006 – Jun 2020**
- IB Diploma Program – Total Points: 42 – HL: Mathematics (7), Physics (7), Chemistry (7)

Professional & Research Experience

- AMD (Advanced Micro Devices) Inc., Software and Hardware Engineering Intern** **Jun 2023 – Oct 2023**
- Intern in the Platform IP team within AMD's Adaptive and Embedded Computing Group.
 - *Project 1*: Created SystemVerilog and C++ testbenches to verify CMS Subsystem IP which is responsible for monitoring AMD Alveo Acceleration Card performance and communicating interrupts from host CPU.
 - Verified IP on 5 major simulators (XSim, VSA, Riviera) using internal tools (VIPER) and committed to Vivado 2023.2
 - *Project 2*: Deployed a script to generate randomized YAML configuration files for the CMS Subsystem IP, accelerating time to reach complete functional coverage.
- Provis Cybersecurity Firm, Software Engineering Intern** **Jun 2022 – Oct 2022**
- Software Engineering Intern building inhouse tools for the Archer Platform.
 - Tools helped evaluate cybersecurity threats for major telecom, banking, and energy firms.
 - Worked collaboratively with other engineers including the Chief of Research and Development.
- Jane Street IN FOCUS, Software Engineering Track** **Apr 2022 – May 2022**
- Selected as 1 of 15 to partake in Jane Street's Spring IN FOCUS Software Engineering program.
 - Learned fundamental concepts of functional programming and developed backend of a snake game in OCaml.
 - Created a trading bot in C++ that exploits discrepancies in the price of an ADR pair. Determined ADR's fair value through moving average and fluctuations in exchange rate. Achieved 6th in Jane Street's ETC.
- Institute of Photonic Sciences, Quantum Computing and Engineering, Student Research Intern** **Jun 2019 – Aug 2019**
- Selected as a student for the Barcelona International Youth Science Competition (BIYSC), where I worked and was lectured at the Institute of Photonic Sciences (ICFO) under Dr. Emilio Pisanty.
 - Researched wave deflection properties and used half wave plates to build a quantum-encryption machine.
- NASA Wallops Flight Center, Satellite Projects, Student Research Intern** **Jun 2018 – Sept 2018**
- Research on the use of nitrogen-doped double-walled carbon nanotubes for radiation shielding in manned spaceflight.
 - Project was selected by Cubes in Space & NASA and launched on their RB-4 research satellite from NASA Wallops Flight Center, Virginia, USA, to higher Earth Orbit as part of the Cubes in Space Competition.

Projects & Awards

- RISC-V Processor (SystemVerilog, C++)**
- Designed a RISC-V processor with its complete instruction set architecture and improved processor efficiency by implementing 5-stage pipelining and 2-way associative cache with LRU replacement.
- C90 to RISC-V Assembly Compiler (C, Assembly)**
- Developed C90 to RISC-V assembly compiler with support for control flow, arrays, recursive functions as well as integer and floating-point arithmetic.
 - Optimized memory allocation by tracing through program to determine required memory and created a stack simulator to manage memory pool.
- C++ Trading Platform (C++, Bash)**
- Developed a multi-client, server trading platform using Asio Networking Library with custom memory management.
 - Created and hosted price-time priority orderbook with pro-rata matching.
 - Simulated market liquidity by creating market maker bots to provide buy and sell orders at a stock's fair value.
- Self-balancing 2-Wheeled Autonomous Rover (C, JavaScript w/ Node.js)**
- Collaborated in 4-member team to create a self-balancing 2-wheeled autonomous rover.
 - Developed multithreaded C++ program on ESP32 dual-core microcontroller to retrieve sensor data and predict motor movement in parallel.
 - Implemented software interrupts and ISR's for immediate motor movements in response to sensor readings, enabling real-time balancing.
- Winner of NASA's Cubes in Space Competition**
- Chosen as 1 of 200 students from 20,000 applicants to send their research project on NASA's RB4 Research Satellite.

Part-time work

- Peer Tutor for Mathematics 1 module**
- Chosen as a peer tutor for the Mathematics 1A&B modules based on Year 1 performance.

Programming Languages

Confident with: C++, MATLAB, Swift

Limited Experience: OCaml, Python, System Verilog, SQL