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## **Work Experience**

## **Astranis Space Technologies Corp.**

San Francisco, CA

Satellite Radio Hardware Co-op

01/2020 - 06/2020

- Designed and built a board using Altium to test and qualify the regulator board for the satellite's internet radio system; this required drawing a variable current on each of the 15+ voltage rails on the regulator board.
- Implemented custom SPI-programmable current sink circuits for each rail with maximum current ratings ranging from less than 1 Amp to more than 15 Amps, and with a total power dissipation of around 200W.
- Characterized load regulation, line regulation, and sensing accuracy for each voltage rail using Python to interface with microcontrollers, DACs, and ADCs on both the regulator board and my testing board.
- Wrote an interactive Python shell for performing operations on any of the boards in the radio system; this
  was crucial for the RTL team to begin testing the FPGAs and was used throughout system qualification.
- Built an online dashboard for my team to visualize board signal data from all hardware in the radio system.
- Helped software team implement an object in Python to poll signal data from all satellite hardware.
- Performed rework and manual filter response tests on pieces of qualification hardware using a VNA.
- Improved upon company's Altium component library by volunteering to serve as a librarian for all EE teams.

Draper Laboratory Boston, MA

RF Systems Co-op

01/2019 - 06/2019

- Worked on a team to prototype and demo a radar antenna platform that could track a moving target.
- Developed a control program for this platform to automatically point its antenna by basing horizontal and vertical servo movements on incoming radar signals. Program used Python, Arduino, and GNURadio.
- Wrote an Arduino script for controlling a variable frequency clock generator through I2C to sweep the frequency of each of the 4 clock outputs individually and at varying step-sizes.
- Documented this whole process in a 17-page guide for an FPGA engineer who then implemented it in HDL.

# **Technical Projects**

Wi-Fi Positioning Research: Worked on a team to develop a positioning algorithm based on the strength of signals received from a set of Wi-Fi access points in a room using a neural network.

- Developed a simulation in Python for signal strength throughout a room based on real research data.
- Wrote additional tools to estimate a random-walk trajectory through the room using a Kalman filter.

eKondo (Hacktech '20): Worked with two others to build an eBay listing tool for quick sale of home clutter.

- Wrote a Python script to scrape data from online storefronts to generate a product price and description.
- Won 3rd place in our category out of 13 participant projects for a total prize of \$300 in eBay gift cards.

Audio Visualizer: Designed a board for controlling a strip of programmable LEDs to visualize an audio signal.

• Faced errors in implementation on protoboard and came up with solutions using **LTSpice** simulations.

## **Education**

### **Northeastern University**

Boston, MA

Bachelor of Science in Electrical and Computer Engineering

Expected Graduation: 05/2022

Honors: Northeastern University Honors Program, National Merit Finalist

**GPA:** 3.79

- Relevant Coursework:
- EE: GNSS Signal Processing, Noise and Stoch. Proc., Wireless Comm. Circuits, Electronics, Linear Systems
- CE: Object-Oriented Design (Java), Digital Design and Comp. Org. (Verilog), Engineering Algorithms (C++)
- Prototyping: Customer Driven Technical Innovation, Intro to Product Prototyping

### **Technical Skills**

**Electronics/CAD:** Altium, LTSpice, Arduino, GNURadio, VNA, Signal Analyzer, SolidWorks **Programming:** Python, C++, MATLAB, Java, Git, HTML, CSS, Linux, PyTorch, Pandas, Grafana

### **Interests**

Acoustic, Electric, and Classical Guitar, Astrophotography, Rock Climbing, Skiing, Surfing, Sailing.