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EDUCATION

B.S. Computer Science

GPA: 3.77 / 4.0

Sept 2016 — May 2020

Brown University, Providence, RI

Courses: Introduction to Software Engineering, Introduction to Computer Systems, Digital Electronics Systems Design, Electrical Circuits and Systems, Machine Learning, Distributed Computing Systems

TECHNICAL EXPERIENCE

Software Engineering Intern

The MITRE Corporation

June 2018 — August 2018

- Built Android app to automate testing of a radio network. The app used UI automation to control components of a client app in order to produce realistic simulated traffic on the network.
- Integrated system with an existing control server for centralized test configuration and execution.
- Enabled execution of a 200-node radio test by eliminating the need for human participants to operate phones.

Technical Lead / Flight Software Lead

Brown Space Engineering Club, Brown University

Sept 2016 — Present

- Worked on flight/ground software, radio link, and management of “EQUiSat” CubeSat launched in July 2018.
- Designed satellite operating system; wrote RTOS tasks in C for data recording and satellite actions; developed boot sequence and OS state handling systems. Wrote concurrency systems for protecting hardware interfaces.
- Developed data collection protocols and transmission schema; performed link budget calculations.
- Wrote bootloader to correct program memory from RAD-safe backup memory; uploaded final satellite binary.
- Designed Raspberry Pi-based ground station software and hardware and network data processing systems.
- Performed analyses of satellite telemetry to isolate software issues and explain anomalous satellite behavior.

Robotics Technician

Humanity-Centered Robotics Initiative, Brown University

Sept 2016 — Present

- Designed and built hardware and software for “Walkerbot” elderly assistive robot (C++, ROS, BeagleBone).
- Built analytics logging API and database for studying user interaction with an assistive toy (Node, MongoDB).
- Prototyped ultrasonic object localization system to help the elderly find household objects. (Arduino, ATtiny85, NodeMCU, Node).
- Prototyped universal video conferencing and teleoperation web platform for ROS robots (Node, P2P, ROS).
- Responsible for hardware interfacing, voice communication, and user interaction design for “Tablebot” – a novel mobile telepresence robot designed to resemble furniture (C++, Python, ROS).
- Designed trash can monitoring system for Brown Facilities Department; ran successful trials (Node, NodeMCU)

Educational Resource Developer / Instructor

White Mountain Science, Inc., Bethlehem, NH

Jan 2015 — Aug 2017

- Designed High Altitude Balloon (HAB) on-board, tracking, and retrieval systems and procedures.
- Built ATtiny85-based “paper circuit” controller to be sold to educators, including documentation, manufacturing, and marketing materials; shipped 10 prototypes to local school.
- Developed educational tools and coding lessons (ScratchX extensions, Javascript & Scratch tutorials).

PERSONAL PROJECTS

- Java / Javascript webapp for Wikipedia Game; co-designed and debugged websocket communication framework, designed Wikipedia page link caching system to speed up page crawling and game generation; decreased memory usage by 60% for Heroku deployment. *Introduction to Software Engineering final team project*
- Javascript-based academic citation conversion engine and Apache / PHP web app; 1000+ weekly visitors.
- Q-learning AI for checkers using TensorFlow. *Hack@Brown team*
- Visualization of socioeconomic data on Hubway stations using Node, D3.js. *Brown Datathon team*
- Webapp to show public sentiment of firms by analyzing news coverage. Node, MongoDB. *HackHarvard team*

SKILLS

Languages	Strong in <u>Java</u> , <u>C</u> ; Proficient in <u>Javascript</u> , <u>Go</u> & <u>Python</u> ; Experience with <u>C++</u> , <u>Verilog</u>
Tools	Strong in <u>jQuery</u> , <u>Bootstrap</u> , <u>FreeRTOS</u> & <u>Git</u> ; Proficient in <u>Node</u> , <u>React</u> , <u>Python Tornado</u> , <u>Android</u> , <u>ROS</u>
Other	CAD (<u>Inventor</u> , <u>OnShape</u> , <u>Blender</u>), 3D Printing, Laser Cutting & Lathe <u>Raspberry Pi</u> , <u>Arduino</u> , <u>Atmel MCUs</u> , <u>FPGAs</u> (minimal), and digital/analog components Graphic design (<u>Premier</u> , <u>GIMP</u> , <u>Photoshop</u>) Amateur radio operator (KC1ICW), student pilot (can fly solo), and FIRST Robotics (FRC) alum