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work experience

APPLE

Intern, Silicon Validation Software (GPU)

- Expanded GPU hardware coverage by exercising special GPU blocks and data paths
- Developed shader algorithms to stress GPU memory buses, thrash multilevel caches and validate coherency, drive GPU+SoC power and bandwidth, and stress SoC-level caches
- Participated in F2F discussions with GPU architects and designers to enhance test roadmap
- Developed efficient algorithms to **defeat hardware optimizations** and enhance coverage
- Implemented Philox 2x3210 PRNG and developed an O(1) time+memory non-repeating PRNG based on quadratic residues in GPU assembly
- Created a power virus that reaches 99% GPU power and bandwidth

COREAVI Summer 2018

Intern, Embedded Graphics Developer

- Implemented EGL Compositor Extension in ArgusSC OpenGL driver
- Added VxWorks 6.x/7 real-time process and multi-thread support to Argus
- Developed a generic VxWorks kernel-mode driver and added RS-343A support
- Ported Argus OpenCL driver to 64-bit Yocto embedded Linux

YAHOO! Fall 2017

Intern, Software Engineer (Data)

- Contributed data visualizations and SQL/Druid query optimizations to Apache Superset
- Built a production tool for real-time anomaly detection on Druid streams
- Created ember-localforage, an EmberJS Data adapter that persists to browser cache
- Developed a Bullet sprout to query in real-time the Twitter Firehose

teams

TEAM WATERLOOP - CANADA'S HYPERLOOP TEAM

Sep 2016 to Dec 2018

Lead, Software

- Created WLib, a collection of C++ libraries optimized for **embedded** systems, including an STL, JSON library, and a **constant-time** memory allocator
- Designed a fail-safe software infrastructure based on CAN and distributed hubs
- Developed Wio, a fully-featured build tool and **package manager** for C/C++ supporting native and embedded environments (AVR/ARM) built with **Go**

UW NANO ROBOTICS GROUP

Sep 2016 to Apr 2019

Technical Lead, Controls

- Used OpenCV to develop an occupancy grid localization algorithm that tracks the microbot, nearby objects, and walls in C++
- Applied a modified A* procedure and 2D game physics to create a microbot AI that can autonomously push an object through a maze
- Main developer of Minotaur, UWNRG's controls software built in Qt

projects

CERPENT

A Basic C-language interpreter

- Leverages clang's libraries to generate line-by-line ASTs parsed by Cerpent
- Uses LLVM **just-in-time compilation** for run-time functions definitions

FRAKTALS

- Mandelbrot, Julia, and *n*-brot fractal explorer up to 2e+20 magnification
- Hardware accelerated rendering with Nvidia CUDA up to 4K resolution

GA TRUSSER

- Genetic algorithm-based 2D truss optimizer using Eigen and OpenBEAGLE

education

UNIVERSITY OF WATERLOO

B.A.Sc. in Mechatronics Engineering (*Expected Spring 2021*) GPA 4.0 (Rank 1, 97%)

languages tools

C++, C, Go, Java, Python, ARM ASM, JavaScript, HTML/CSS Git, Unix, Vim, GDB, Tmux, IntelliJ, Eclipse, Visual Studio