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## ABOUT ME

- Highly motivated **Instrumentation and Automation undergraduate** with strong hands-on experience in **embedded systems, electronics, and IoT-based design**. Skilled in **microcontroller programming (Arduino, ESP32)**, **software development (C#, Python)**, and no-code web design. Proven ability to apply both theoretical knowledge and practical expertise to develop innovative hardware and software solutions. Recognized for teamwork, leadership, and commitment to continuous learning and excellence in technology-driven environments.

## EDUCATION

- **University of Colombo - Faculty of Technology** Colombo, Sri Lanka  
*B.ET (Hons) in Instrumentation and Automation* Aug 2023 – Expected Jul 2027
- **G.C.E. Advanced Level Examination** Sri Lanka  
*Technology Stream – 3B Passes with 1.82 Z-Score* 2021
- **Industrial Electrical Technician (NVQ Level 4)** National Vocational Qualification, Sri Lanka  
*Certified by Tertiary and Vocational Education Commission (TVEC)* 2021
- **Fundamentals of Digital Systems** University of Moratuwa, Sri Lanka  
*Completed Certificate Program* Nov 30, 2024

## WORK EXPERIENCE

- **Extra Electronics** Trincomalee, Sri Lanka  
*Mobile Repair Technician* Nov 2021 – Jul 2023
  - **Smartphone diagnostics:** Specialized in advanced board-level repairs, micro-soldering, and troubleshooting.
  - **Schematics interpretation:** Used electronic circuit diagrams to perform precise component repairs.
  - **Technical skill development:** Gained expertise in rework, soldering, and calibration of circuit components.
- **Lanka Mineral Sands Limited** Pulmoddai, Sri Lanka  
*Electrical Technician Intern* Mar 2021 – Sep 2021
  - **Industrial Training:** Completed six-month NVQ Level 4 training in electrical systems.
  - **System maintenance:** Assisted in house wiring, CCTV installation, and motor coil winding.
  - **Preventive Maintenance:** Supported troubleshooting in industrial electrical circuits.

## TECHNICAL SKILLS

- **Programming Languages:** C, C++, C#, Python
- **Embedded Systems:** Arduino (UNO, ESP32), Embedded C/C++, LoRa Communication (AT commands), Proteus 8, SimulIDE, PCB Design (EasyEDA, KiCad)
- **Software Development:** Visual Studio (C# GUI apps), Bubble.io (No-code web apps), GitHub, Version Control
- **Electrical & Technical:** House wiring, CCTV setup, Motor coil winding, Circuit troubleshooting, Instrumentation and automation systems
- **Software & Tools:** SolidWorks (3D design), Octave (simulation)

## PROJECTS

- **Wireless Emergency Alarm System** University of Colombo  
*IoT and Embedded Design Project* 2023
  - **System Design:** Developed wireless alarm communication using Arduino Uno and LoRa.
  - **Power Management:** Designed Battery Management System (BMS) for 7-day backup.
  - **Communication Protocol:** Integrated LoRa AT-command interface for long-range operation.
  - **Recognition:** Selected for presentation at the **Annual Research Symposium 2024**.

- Custom Line-Following Robotic Car** University of Colombo  
*Autonomous Embedded System* 2024
  - **Microcontroller Design:** Built robot using ATmega328P without development boards.
  - **Sensors:** Integrated custom IR and ultrasonic sensors for obstacle detection.
  - **Hardware Implementation:** Designed and soldered circuits manually, showcasing full hardware knowledge.
- Advanced Robotic Transport Vehicle** University of Colombo  
*Ongoing Research Project* 2025 – Present
  - **System Development:** Developing autonomous transport robot using ESP32 and motion algorithms.
  - **Simulation:** Testing designs in Proteus 8 and SolidWorks.
  - **Wireless Communication:** Designing control architecture for remote operation.
- Assistive Writing Device** University of Kelaniya  
*Make-a-thon 2025 Finalist Project* 2025
  - **Design Innovation:** Created assistive tool for differently-abled children to improve writing ability.
  - **3D Printing:** Used TPU and ergonomic design principles for comfort and adaptability.
  - **Achievement:** Finalist at the Make-a-thon 2024 competition.
- Advanced Scientific Calculator & Unit Converter** Personal Project  
*C# Application Development* 2024
  - **Software Design:** Developed a Windows-based calculator using C# with multiple forms (MDI interface).
  - **Features:** Included scientific functions, unit conversion, and temperature conversion modules.
  - **Interface Design:** Implemented an intuitive blue-themed UI using Visual Studio.
- Learning Management System (LMS)** Personal Project  
*No-Code Development with Bubble.io* 2025
  - **System Creation:** Built a web-based LMS for course management and student tracking.
  - **No-Code Development:** Designed database workflows, user authentication, and responsive UI using Bubble.io.
  - **Objective:** Focused on creating a scalable, user-friendly educational platform prototype.

## LEADERSHIP AND VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

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- President – University Students Association (Pulmoddai)** USAP-Pulmoddai  
*Leadership Role* Sep 2025 – Present
  - **Leadership:** Overseeing student welfare programs and event coordination within the Pulmoddai chapter.
  - **Team Collaboration:** Leading initiatives to improve communication between student representatives and faculty.
- Organizing Committee Member – Ahlan 2024** Muslim Majlis, University of Colombo  
*Event Organization* 2024
  - **Coordination:** Assisted in planning and executing university-level cultural and social events.
  - **Teamwork:** Worked collaboratively to ensure smooth event logistics and participation.

## ACCOMPLISHMENTS

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- Finalist – Make-a-thon 2025, University of Kelaniya
- Selected Project – Annual Research Symposium 2024, University of Colombo

## LANGUAGES

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- English
- Tamil
- Sinhala

## REFERENCES

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