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EDUCATION

University of California, Berkeley

Aug 2016 – June 2020

B.S., *Electrical Engineering and Computer Science (EECS)*, GPA: 3.957

- Relevant Courses: Designing Information Devices and Systems, Feedback Control Systems, Signals and Systems, Integrated Circuit Devices, Analog Integrated Circuits, Computer Architecture, Data Structures, Electromagnetism and Optics

RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

Robotics Engineering Internship

May 2018 – Aug 2018

OURS Technology, Inc.

- Developed a custom automatic testing system for on-chip optical waveguides
- Designed the entire testing pipeline, including machine learning object detection for chip detection, 200-nm precision scanning for accurate waveguide-fiber alignment, and multithreaded data processing and socket interfacing for efficient 8-axis motion control
- Configured company GPU servers for efficient machine learning support and LDAP network access
- Wrote bash and Python scripts to remotely diagnose motion control hardware failures

Robotics Engineering Internship

Sept 2017 – Dec 2017

Elysian Labs

- Customized drones for research into efficient autonomous tracking systems
- Designed a low-power IR receiver and noise filter to accurately locate the transmitter from far away, as well as a sensor that could be used to automatically adjust the drone's path to avoid obstacles
- Developed a drone swarm simulation software to model optimal task distribution for up to 1000 drones during common group flight maneuvers

Firmware Programmer

Aug 2016 – June 2017

Solar Vehicle Team, UC Berkeley

- Designed and prototyped telemetry encryption firmware for low-memory, high-throughput, and fault-tolerant data transmission for electric cars; programmed entire pipeline from CAN bus firmware to data analytics to protocol buffer encryption and transmission
- Programmed firmware for an OLED debugging board; designed 2D graphics libraries from scratch for general purpose display usage and CAN bus data aggregation

PROJECTS

Device Physics Research Assistant

Jan 2018 – June 2018

Advisors: Samuel Holladay, Sayeef Salahuddin

- Designed 3-mask lithographic stack to measure the DC voltage generated by spin pumping
- Referenced prior literature and optimized mask design and layout for high-yield manufacturing

Dorm Ex Machina Competition

Sept 2016 – Nov 2016

Robotics@Berkeley Club, UC Berkeley

- Designed and built robotic trash can to promote responsible waste disposal in line with UC Berkeley's Zero Waste Project; streamlined disposal through robotic sensing and voice activation
- Received "Most Useful Product" award for exceptional focus on environmental awareness
- Customized noise reduction algorithms to improve voice recognition reliability by 25%

HONORS

Cal Alumni Association Leadership Award

May 2016

- Chosen based on effective leadership in academics and extracurricular activities

Regents' and Chancellor's Scholarship

March 2016

- Highest UC Berkeley merit award recognizing top 2% of incoming students

Verizon Innovative App Challenge Best in Region Award

Jan 2015

- Awarded for creativity in designing mobile apps to enhance early childhood education
- Ranked among the top 12 high school participants in the nation

TECHNICAL SKILLS

- Proficient at C++, Java, Python, MATLAB, JavaScript, and Linux
- Skilled at Cadence-based circuit design and Autodesk Fusion 360-based CAD design