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# **Experience** \_

#### **CFAED - Centre For Advancing Electronics Dresden**

Dresden, Germany

Guest Researcher, Techinsche Universität Dresden

July 2019 - PRESENT

• Working on exploiting FPGAs for reinforced deep learning based systems

Micron Technology Bengaluru, India

EMBEDDED ENGINEER INTERN

May 2019 - July 2019

- · Worked on encrypted high speed memory-trace collection and analysis of DRAM AXI traffic under PetaLinux environments
- Extended the project to develop a Python framework to automate analysis of generated data

#### Adani Power Maharashtra Limited

Tirora, Maharashtra

SUMMER INTERN

May 2018 - July 2018

Developed an intelligent Human Machine Interface and Data Acquisition System for controlling several industrial pumps spread across an area
of more than 1600 acres.

#### **Student Mentorship Programme, BPHC**

BITS Pilani, Hyderabad Campus

STUDENT MENTOR, TA

Jan 2018 - November 2019

· Taught electronics and architecture concepts to freshers and sophomores while providing input for project ideas.

# **Education** \_

#### Birla Institute of Technology and Science, Pilani

Hyderabad, India

BACHELOR OF ELECTRICAL AND INSTRUMENTATION ENGINEERING

July 2016 to Present

• Technische Universität Dresden, Saxony, Germany — Semester Abroad 2020 (Jan - July)

#### **Delhi Public School Ghaziabad**

Ghaziabad, India

AISSCE, 93.8%

2013 to 2015

#### St. Mary's Convent School

Ghaziabad, India

CISCE, 91.2%

2004 to 2013

# Projects \_

## Implementation of Tomasulo's algorithm with write-through cache controller

Course Project Aug 2019 - Nov 2019

- Verilog based implementation of Tomasulo's approach towards dynamic scheduling.
- · System also contained a model for LRU based write-through cache for data.

P<sup>4</sup> <u>Closed-source</u>

Undergrad Research

Aug 2019 - Dec 2019

- Worked with <u>Prof Sanket Goel</u> at the <u>MEMS/Microfludics Lab</u> to build P<sup>4</sup>, an approximate Poly-Potential Portable Potentiostat based on the <u>LMP91000EVM</u> to perform simple electrochemical analysis.
- P<sup>4</sup> supports common electroanalysis routines and reduces the cost of a typical spectro-photometer by about 15-20 times.

#### Implementation of MIPS-like processor

Course Project Jan 2019 - Apr 2019

· Verilog based implementation of a 32-bit, 4-stage pipelined processor with Fetch, Decode, Execute, and Writeback stages

ECSP Closed-source

Undergrad Research Jan 2019 - Apr 2019

• Worked with <u>Prof Sanket Goel</u> at the <u>MEMS/Microfludics Lab</u> to build ECSP, an intelligent colorimeter able to back-estimate the dominant absorption spectra of a solution with characteristic wavelengths in the visible light range.

• ECSP features a precision of 1 nm with a standard deviation of 2.3% and reduces the cost of a typical spectro-photometer by about 150 times.

#### **Fault Tolerant Network on Chips**

Open-source

Undergrad Research

Aug 2018 - Dec 2018

Jan 2018 - Apr 2018

May 2018 - July 2018

• Worked with Prof Soumya J to propose a new algorithm for fault-tolerant network on chips focusing on a packet-routing strategy for link faults between routers that occur either during manufacturing or in-operation. The algorithm decides the shortest path as well as takes care of distributing the load evenly across the network grid.

• Extended the algorithm for Mesh and Torus topologies for both, routers and link-level faults.

#### **xBITS**

Undergrad Research Dec 2017 - Aug 2018

- Worked under <u>Dr. Suman Kapur</u> to create a medical device that can diagnose UTI (Urinary Tract Infections) almost 15 times quicker than conventional laboratory methods.
- The device employs an array of colour sensors that predict the contents of the specimen according to RGB absorbance values and a trained model.

EasyMouse Open-source

Independent Project

Gesture controlled pointing device emulator written in Python targeted towards users with disabled fingers.
Wearable part based on ATMega328 can be worn around wrist, and data is transmitted wirelessly to the host device.

ardUPS Open-source

INDEPENDENT PROJECT May 2018 - May 2018

• Smart ATMega328 based CLI programmable UPS for Single Board Computer devices providing options like power throttling and sleep scheduling

• Selected for Unleash Invisible Intelligence contest by Hackster.io

VMS Open-source

INDEPENDENT PROJECT

Python utility to sync multiple devices playing the same video using MQTT which syncs timestamps instead of video frames, offering significantly
less network usage.

### **Extra Curriculars**

**Positions of Responsibility** 

Head, Automation and Robotics Club @ BITS Pilani Hyderabad Campus : 2018-2019

Member, Embedded electronics team @ Hyperloop India: 2018-2019

Member, On Board Computing @ Pixxel: 2018-2019

Art Music-composition

Film-Making

Sketching Portraits

**Social Service** National Service Scheme (NSS-BPHC): 2016-2017

Languages English, Hindi