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## Work experience

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[FOSSEE](#), IIT Bombay

October 2016 - Present

Project Research Assistant

- OpenPLC Project, Revision of Hardware to a Modular Platform with support for IEC 61499.
- Eclipse SCADA Implementation for OpenPLC.

[ICFOSS](#), Govt of Kerala

June 2016 – September 2016

Technical Coordinator, Open Source Hardware

- Project Coordinator – [ExpEYES Community Development](#) and Hardware revision
- Project Coordinator – [LeSEG Project](#) ,Sustainable Labs for Technical Institutions under APJ Abdul Kalam Technological University, Kerala
- Project Coordinator – [4DIAC](#) Community Development Programme under fortiss · AnInstitut Technische Universität München.

[Kerala Start Up Mission](#), Govt of Kerala

July 2015 – June 2016

[Technology Innovation Fellow](#)

- Fellow at [Fab Lab Kerala](#) , an initiative from Center for Bits and Atoms , MIT Boston and Govt. of Kerala.
- Development and deployment [IoT labs and curriculum](#) for colleges via IEDC's.
- Development of school curriculum for [ExpEYES](#) a portable science lab for schools and revision of ExpEYES \_hardware for large scale manufacturing.
- Project Engineer - COWMesh – Community Owned Wireless Mesh, Aruvikkara.

[ICFOSS](#), Govt of Kerala

May 2015 – July 2015

Intern , IoT Project Developer

- Mentored and delivered projects in the field of Internet of Things.
- Developed IoT curriculum for Engineering College Students
- Supported ExpEYES Training at IUAC, Nuclear Research Centre, New Delhi.

All India Radio, Govt of India

2 Weeks May 2013

Training/Internship

- Part of a team of 12 who received training at 200KW transmitting station at AIR Alleppey.
- One week schedule at AIR Transmitter center. Learned the basics of industrial radio design models, High power Vacuum Tube based amplifiers, power compilation techniques and Coaxial cable designs.

## Social Entrepreneurship (Technical)

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MicroHOPE Foundation

Founder/Chairman

Dec 2013 - Present

- Development of MicroHOPE Board , an AVR Controller based prototyping board.
- Delivered over 10 workshops on OSHW and MicroHOPE under support from ICFOSS.
- Mentored projects using MicroHOPE Hardware.

## Events and Activities (Technical)

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### Workshops/Talks:

- [Tentative] - [Industrial Automation and Control using FLOSS and Open Source Hardware](#) , RMLL- LSM, Saint Etienne , France : July 01-07, 2017
- Workshop on “OSH enabled Physics” learning during [Gathering for Open Science Hardware](#) Santiago, Chile : March 22-25, 2017
- Talk on “OSH enabled IoT for the year 2016” ,[FYPM](#) Trivandrum , Jan 13-14 2017
- Workshop on [MicroPython for MicroControllers](#) SciPy India : Dec 10-11, 2016.
- Workshop on ExpEYES during [GNOME Asia Summit](#) Depok, Indonesia : May 07-09, 2015
- Workshop on MicroHOPE Controller Board for DIY Solutions during [RMLL](#) Montpellier France : July 05-11 2014.
- Delivered workshop on IoT/Connected Devices to 23 Engineering Colleges as a part of IoT FDP while working with Kerala Startup Mission.

### Volunteering:

IEEE SB CE Kallooppa

Jan 2014 - Jan 2015

Chairman

- IEEE Member since December 2011
- Career development Policy for IEEE Student Members.
- Promotion of technology startups via IEDC.

IEEE Travancore Hub

Jan 2013 - Jan 2014

EC Coordinator

- Student in charge to support 23 Engineering colleges in South Kerala via IEEE LINK.
- Conducted workshops and volunteer training programs.

IEEE GHTC YPP – 2

June 2013

Member

- Development of solution to issues addressing Rural District Health Office Data Connectivity and eHealth Record system.
- Team developed a detailed engineering design specification that outlines the scope of the project, the technical and social problems as we see it, and the proposed solution approach.

ICFOSS

Jan 2014 – April 2015

Student Ambassador

- Support for [IT@School](#) Faculty Training
- Initiated “Open Source Hardware for Science” working group.

NASA Space Apps Challenge - Kochi

Apr 2014

Coordinator

- Mentored projects on Open Source Hardware.

## Education

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B.Tech Electronics and Communication Engg.

Sept 2011 — April 2015

College of Engineering Kallooppa , CUSAT Affiliation

- Graduated with First Class

Higher Secondary

June 2009 — March 2011

Dr. Z.H.M Bharatiya Vidya Vihar

- Scored 77.8% marks in AISSCE.
- Scored 84.6% marks in AISSE.

# Achievements

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Certificate of Appreciation

- IEEE Kerala Section (2014)

Certificate of Appreciation

- NASA Space Apps (2014)

IEEE R10 (Asia-Pacific) Student Paper Contest 2013

- Awarded with third prize for my paper named "Svastha – Effective Solid Waste Management in Tiruvalla Municipality"

IEEE PES - KSEB Paper Presentation Competition 2nd Prize 2013

- Kerala State Electricity Board and IEEE Power and Energy Society

IEEE SIGHT R10 (Asia-Pacific) HPC Winner 2013

- IEEE SIGHT

# Publications

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Book on Computer interfaced experiments using ExpEYES – Experiments for Young Engineers and Scientists, Malayalam - ICFOSS

AVR Assembly tools for concurrent programming in C – Open Hardware Track, [Gnome Asia Summit Indonesia 2015](#)

May 2015

SVASTHA: An effective solid waste management system for Thiruvalla Municipality in Android OS - [Global Humanitarian Technology Conference: South Asia Satellite \(GHTC-SAS\)](#), 2013 IEEE

August 23, 2013

# Technical Skills

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Languages:

Bash, Embedded C, Micro Python, LUA.

Markup Languages:

LaTeX, HTML

Tools:

Git.

CAD Tools

KiCAD

Kokopelli

Antimony

Inkscape

Machines (Prototyping)

3D Printer – Ultimaker 2 and Stratasys Dimension 1200es , Shopbot CNC Router , Rolland Modella , Rolland GX – 24 Vinyl Cutter , Trotec Laser Engraver/ Cutter , ALC Sand Blaster

# Interests

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- Electronics , DIY hardware hacking.
- Speed cubing , Percussion Instruments - Tabla

## References

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