

# Alvin Ma

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## OBJECTIVE

To obtain an internship or co-op position to further improve my skills and pursue a full time career at the industry level.

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## EDUCATION

### San Jose State University

*Bachelor of Science, Electrical Engineering*

*Bachelor of Science, Computer Science*

San Jose, CA

*Expected Dec 2017*

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## RELEVANT PROJECTS

### Space Invaders 8 Bit Game Using FPGA and PicoBlaze

*Fall 2016*

- Worked in a team of two in the development of the classic game, Space Invaders, using FPGA and PicoBlaze.
- Programed a Digilent Basys3 board using Xilinx Vivado IDE, Verilog, and Assembly Language.
- Conducted optimization to obtain a functioning game within an 8 MB size limit.
- Implemented button press and switches for user inputs throughout the process of the game.

### PID Motor Control with Embedded Systems

*Fall 2016*

- Used Embedded C and Assembly Language to program a PID motor controller.
- Utilized Atmel Studio IDE to program an ARM Cortex-M0+ SAM D20 Microcontroller.
- Used keypad to control speed and position of the motor based on the user input.
- Used multiple interrupts to read tick segments, calculate the speed, and display values on the 7-segment display.
- Used PWM to measure the RPM of the motor and applied PID to control the motor accurately.

### Scientific Calculator Design with Embedded Systems

*Fall 2016*

- Used Embedded C and Assembly Language to program a scientific calculator.
- Utilized Atmel Studio IDE to program an ARM Cortex-M0+ SAM D20 Microcontroller.
- Configured keypad with a voltage matrix using transistors and voltage inputs to create specific button functionality.
- Created De-Bouncing feature to avoid multiple, rapid, or accidental button presses and keep stable displays.

### Restaurant Reservation Application

*Fall 2015*

- Used Java Programming Language to program a restaurant reservation application.
- Application schedules and reserves specified tables in a pre-set room configuration according to trends of time spent eating.
- Created application's reservation system based on a round robin algorithm.
- Implemented a GUI for customer's selection and simulated the program using random eating times for a typical customer.

### Path Following Hovercraft

*Fall 2015*

- Worked in a team of two to design and implement a hovercraft using C programming and an Arduino microcontroller.
- Created multiple state machines in order to keep sensors and fan rotations in sync with the given path.
- Implemented hit detection avoidance application to the hovercraft during free drift mode.

### Java-Based Maze Game

*Fall 2014*

- Led a team of five in creating a computer application game using Java programming language.
- Designed and implemented a Rogue-like Maze game with implementation of different Object-Oriented strategies.
- Conducted objects creation and the decisions made by enemies to prevent the user from successfully completing the game.
- Constructed room size, fog over undiscovered areas, and ensuring path connections between rooms.

### Remote Control Airplane

*Fall 2013*

- Worked in a group of five and took the role of circuit design and system controls.
  - Designed and implemented a circuit board that controls the flaps of the airplane wings, propeller, and motors for the wheels.
  - Implemented communication between Controller and RC plane.
  - Resulted with the plane to take flight and maintain levitation.
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## RELEVANT COURSEWORK

**Computer Science:** Data Structures and Algorithms, Network Security, Network Communications, Object-Oriented Programming, Operating Systems

**Electrical Engineer:** Circuit Design, Digital Logic Circuit Design, Embedded Systems, Fundamentals of Internetworking, Microprocessor Based System Design

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## SKILLS

Android Development, AutoCAD, Cryptology, Embedded Systems, FPGA, Information Security, Networking, Machine Learning, PCB Design and Fabrication, Linux/ Unix, MATLAB, Programming Languages (Assembly, C, C++, C#, Embedded C, Python, Java), Verilog, Web Development (HTML, CSS, JavaScript)