

# Amin Yahyaabadi

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## Experience

### Abacus AI, CodeLLM - Software Engineer

Vancouver, Canada / San Francisco, USA, Nov 2024 - Present

- Leading the development of CodeLLM, a new AI Code Editor featuring ChatLLM

### Sanctuary AI, Robotics Control Engineer

Vancouver, Canada, 2022 - Nov 2024 · 2 yrs 11 mos

- Designed and developed Robodrake, the whole-body controller of Phoenix
- Led the automatic creation, development, and deployment of digital robot embodiments reducing the time to URDF by 18 times
- Designed a real-time dynamics and simulation engine for Phoenix based on Drake C++
- Optimized the Phoenix controller for low-latency performance running at 1 KHz with sub- $\mu$ s jitter
- Developed the RTI DDS communication layer for the Phoenix Hand Controller
- Implemented the operation logic and real-time deployment of the Phoenix Hand Controller
- Integrated Robodrake with the trajectories and tracking modes of Carbon (Phoenix AI)
- Designed the real-time continuous Inverse Kinematics Trajectory Planner used in Robodrake
- Created Granular to optimize deployment of the digital robot embodiments reducing the delivery time from 15m to 1s
- Built scalable processes around software building, packaging, Docker containerization, and CI/CD

### Snowdrop Quantum, Software Engineer,

Vancouver, Canada, May 2024 - Present · 8 mos

- Developing Tangled to solve real-world problems using Quantum computers and demonstrate Quantum Supremacy

### Post Media, Senior Software Engineer

Vancouver, Canada / New York, USA, 2021 - 2022 · 10 mos

- Developed the Post.news full-stack app via Solid-start and Solid-js
- Developed the Post.news Android app via Capacitor Ionic
- Optimized the performance of the app startup, news feed, payment pages, and user profiles

### University of Manitoba, Creator of the Intelligent Drone Testbed for Control Systems and Verification, M.Sc. Thesis,

Winnipeg, Canada, 2018 - 2021 · 3 yrs 1 mo

- Designed an intelligent drone testbed used for validation of new satellite or drone control algorithms and hardware
- Identified the dynamics of the quadcopters intelligently with minimal measuring using Particle Swarm Optimization (PSO)
- Developed a custom onboard software for the drone to autonomously control the quadcopters's motion and operations

### University of Manitoba / Canadian Space Agency, Leader of Flight Software and Onboard Computer for the Iris Satellite (ManitobaSat),

Winnipeg, Canada, 2018 - 2021 · 3 yrs 1 mo

- Led the flight software and onboard computer teams for the Iris Satellite (ManitobaSat) launched by NASA/SpaceX
- Designed the modular onboard computer based on a Smart Fusion 2 system on a chip (FPGA/Arm Cortex)
- Developed custom real-time flight software running on FreeRTOS to control all the satellite's operations such as attitude and determination control

### Magellan Aerospace, Auto Code Generation for Onboard Space Object Detection and Flight Software Applications,

Winnipeg, Canada, Sep 2018 - Sep 2019 · 1 yr 1 mo

- Developed machine learning and analytical image processing algorithms for satellite's onboard detection of resident space objects (RSOs) from commercial-off-the-shelf star trackers.

### Isfahan University of Technology, Intelligent Vibration Control With Self-Sensing Piezoelectric Actuator, B.Sc. Thesis

Isfahan, 2016 - 2018 · 2 yrs 1 mo

- Developed an intelligent control method for a distributed system using a self-sensing piezoelectric actuator and PSO
- Modeled the dynamics of the system with a novel FEA/FDA method to test the controller

## Education

### University of Manitoba, Canada

M.Sc., Mechanical Engineering, Aerospace, and Controls, Sep 2018 - Sep 2021

GPA: 4.27/4.5

### Isfahan University of Technology (IUT)

B.Sc., Mechanical Engineering, Mechatronics, and Controls, Sep 2013 - Feb 2018

GPA: 18.03/20 (3.91/4)

## Other Projects

### **Rhino XR-3 5 DOF Robot Arm Real-time Control via Arduino**

*Selected Topics in Robot Technology, Supervisor: Dr. S. Balakrishnan*

### **Barrett WAM 7 DOF Robot Arm Simulation and Analysis**

*Robotics, Supervisor: Dr. H. Mousavi*

### **Model Predictive Control of Robot Arm using Neural Networks**

*Neural Networks, Supervisor: Dr. M. Kamali*

### **Intelligent Fuzzy PID Controller for a Bluetooth-controlled DC Motor via AVR**

*Intelligent Control, Supervisor: Dr. F. Sheikholeslam*

*Mechatronic Systems, Supervisor: M. Danesh*

### **Parallel Image Processing using MPI and OpenCV**

*Parallel Processing, Supervisor: Dr. I. Jeffrey*

### **Custom Simulated Annealing Investigation for Salesperson Problem - New Mathematical Proof of The Multidimensional Newton's Weights Optimization Algorithm**

*Applied Computational Intelligence, Supervisor: Dr. K. Ferens*

### **Designing a Signal Processing and Measuring Instrument in Labview - Verifying The Instrument using Acoustic Analysis of a Trumpet in MSC ACTRAN**

*Mechatronics Lab 2, Supervisors: Dr. M. Danesh*

*Engineering Acoustics, Supervisor: Dr. A. Loghmani*

### **Multilayered Composite Shell Dynamics and Crack Analysis under Impact via Abaqus**

*Computer-Aided Engineering, Supervisor: Dr. R. Jafari*

## Honours and Awards

Fellowship for Education Purposes - \$40,500, U of M, Canada, 2018-2021

Faculty of Graduate Studies Program Completion Scholarship - \$2,500, U of M, Canada, 2021

International Graduate Student Entrance Scholarship (IGSES) - \$6,000, U of M, Canada, 2018

Fellowship to Study at IUT for M.Sc Program without Entrance Exam, 2017

Ranked top 10% among the students of the Mechanical Engineering Department, IUT, 2017

Ranked top 0.3% among 260000 participants in the Iranian University Entrance Exam for B.Sc. Studies, 2013

Qualified as very good in Mathematics Olympiad Final International Round in the Netherlands, 2012

Ranked 1st in Mathematics Olympiad National Round in Iran, 2011

## Open-Source Experience

Made more than 28,000 [contributions on GitHub](#). Some of the notable projects are:

- The leader of the [Atom-Community](#) organization that brings an integrated development environment to Atom
- The author of [project options](#) and [setup-cpp](#) that provide a full C++ development environment used at Sanctuary AI, LLVM, Tesla Motors.
- The maintainer of [zeromq.js](#) that provides the Nodejs interface to ZMQ used in Microsoft VSCode and Jupyter
- The author of [Zadeh](#), a library for fast fuzzy filtering and matching written in C++
- The author of [minijson](#), a library for the fast minification of the JSON files written in D, C, and AVX2 and SSE4\_1 SIMD.
- The author of [AcuteML](#), an intelligent markup language for web development written in Julia
- The leader of the [JuliaMatlab](#) organization, an open-source alternative for Matlab written in Julia
- The co-owner of the [JuliaMusic](#) organization that provides music research tools (e.g. [MusicXML.jl](#)) in Julia

## Software and Programming Skills

**Programming Languages:** C++, Rust, Python, Matlab, Julia, D, Go, TypeScript, AssemblyScript, Verilog

**Technical Software:** Matlab/Simulink, RTI-Admin Console, Abaqus, LabView, Xilinx SDSoc - Vivado, Simpack, MSC Adams / Car, MSC Actran, Autodesk Inventor, CATIA, Proteus, Modelsim, Maple


**Embedded Processors:** Xilinx Zynq 7020 SoC/FPGA, Smart Fusion 2 SoC/FPGA, Pixhawk Flight Controller (Px4), Arm Cortex A9, Arm Cortex M3, Parrot Mambo Flight Controller, Arduino Due /Uno, AVR Atmel STK500, Intel/AMD x86\_64, Apple ARM64

## Publications

**A. Yahyaabadi**, M. Driedger,..., P. Ferguson, "ManitobaSat-1: A Novel Approach for Technology Advancement," in *the Journal of IEEE Potentials*, 2020, [PDF](#)

**A. Yahyaabadi**, M. Driedger,..., P. Ferguson, "ManitobaSat-1: Making Space for Innovation," in *IEEE Canadian Conference of Electrical and Computer Engineering (CCECE)*, Edmonton, Canada, 2019 [PDF](#)

**A. Yahyaabadi**, P. Ferguson, "An intelligent multi-vehicle drone testbed for space systems and remote sensing verification," in *Canadian Aeronautics and Space Institute (CASI) ASTRO*, Montreal, Canada, 2019 [PDF](#)

**A. Yahyaabadi**, P. Harrison, P. Ferguson, “Auto Code Generation for Onboard Space Object Detection and Other Flight Software Applications - A Feasibility Study,” in *Canadian Aeronautics and Space Institute (CASI) ASTRO*, Montreal, Canada, 2019 

## Attended Conferences

**Canadian Aeronautics and Space Institute (CASI) ASTRO**, Montreal, Canada, 2019

Submitted two papers and presented them:

- An intelligent multi-vehicle drone testbed for space systems and remote sensing verification 
- Auto Code Generation for Onboard Space Object Detection and Flight Software Applications 

**ArcticNet (ASM) 2018**, Ottawa, Canada, 2018

Presented my work by the poster and oral presentation:

- A multi-vehicle drone testbed for space systems and remote sensing verification, Proceedings P. 198 

## Additional Experience

**Summer Internship in Bama Co**, Summer 2014/2016

- Condition monitoring and predictive maintenance planning of machinery and vehicles in [Bama Co](#)

**Jury Membership at Isfahan Mathhouse**, 2013 - 2018

- Member of the Jury in [Isfahan Mathhouse](#) for choosing qualified participants for International Competitions (e.g., Olympiad)
- Olympiad competition participants test grader in Isfahan Mathhouse

**Teaching Assistant at the Isfahan University of Technology**, Fall 2016

- Statics, instructor: Dr. S. Akbarzadeh

## GRE

- Quantitative: 170/170
- Verbal: 151/170
- Analytical Writing: 3.5

## Selected Courses

Applied Computational Intelligence: 4.5/4.5

Selected Topics in Robot Technology: 4.5/4.5

Mechatronics: 20/20

Robotics: 19.5/20

Neural Networks: 20/20

Intelligent Control: 18/20

Applied Vibrations: 19.6/20

Acoustics: 19.5/20

Machinery Dynamics: 19.3/20

Vehicle Dynamics: 18.3/20

Mechatronics Lab 1 and 2: 18.25/20 and 19/20

Applied Electrical/Electronics: 19.03/20

Dynamics: 18.5/20

Computer-aided design: 18.1/20

Engineering Mathematics: 20/20

Differential Equations: 20/20

General Mathematics: 20/20

Advanced Dynamics (Audited)

Parallel Processing (Audited)

## References

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