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# Ash Horton

#### Profile

I'm a well-organised and resourceful software engineer with a BSc Physics degree and a strong experience in computing, excellent problem-solving ability, and practical skills in electronics.

I'm a highly motivated team player, keen to take on new challenges and I'm looking to work with a business that can help me further develop my skills and range in technology.

#### Key Skills

- Python Practical knowledge of Python in controlling and automating microwave oven functions for testing. Further use in university Lab work, modules and home projects.
- Simulink Creating system models for microwave ovens with an emphasis on reliability and reusability. Generating embedded C code.
- Computational Physics University module focusing on modelling complex systems in physics with Python.
- 3D Printing and Design I have my own 3D printer which I use to design and print components for home projects.
- Linux and Windows Systems Excellent knowledge of both systems in general administration, Batch scripting and Powershell / Linux terminal.
- Raspberry Pi and Arduino Multiple projects for both home and University work.
- Batch Scripting Used in setting up multiple laptops with identical settings, files and drivers installed.

### Work Experience

#### Panasonic, Embedded Software Engineer

April 2023 – Present

- Simulink model design and code generation for microwave ovens.
- Adding software features to customer specifications.
- Extensive software testing prior to mass production release.
- Use of python for creating and running both software and hardware endurance tests.
- Use of Arduino and Picoscope for signal testing.
- Daily use of Jira for managing product defect tickets and tasks.
- Version control of software and documents across a team using Tortoise SVN.
- Report writing of software tests including data analysis of potential failure rates.

#### **IVC Evidensia, Finance Assistant**

- August 2022 April 2023
- Attention to detail Checking customer accounts are fully up to date, finding correct information and updating as required.
- MS Office Using Excel to check and edit large CSV files. Using MS Teams to effectively collaborate within my team, share progress updates and share ideas.
- Communication Working as part of a small team to achieve goals towards the wider company.

#### **British Army, Vehicle Mechanic**

October 2011 - April 2021

- Vehicle Repair My main role was to repair and maintain a fleet of MAN trucks and Land Rovers carrying out both physical repairs and technical diagnostics.
- Organisation The military demands the highest of standards in regard to time management, personal organisation, and presentation.
- Mentoring Later years of my career required training and mentoring newly qualified mechanics to ensure strict vehicle repair standards were upheld.
- Teamwork I worked both independently and as a team depending on job requirements.

## Netheravon Parachute Centre, Coach and Tandem Instructor August 2018 January 2015 –

- Teaching I briefed a group of up to 15 students at a time regarding their parachute jump, ensuring each person understood the risks and rules before participating.
- Responsibility I was accountable for the wellbeing of my students throughout their time at the parachute centre, ensuring their safety at all times.
- Teamwork The parachute centre operates with a small team, each with many responsibilities to make sure the centre runs safely and efficiently. I also worked closely with the videographer to capture footage of the descent and landing.

#### **Education and Qualifications**

- University of Bristol, BSc Physics, completed June 2022
- Simulink Courses including embedded code generation and C code integration.
- Bmet College, Access to Engineering Technology (Distinction A Level Equivalent)
- British Army, NVQ Level 3 in Equipment Maintenance Engineering
- GCSEs A\*-C including Mathematics and English

#### Other Interests and Hobbies

- Homelab setup on a mini PC running Proxmox with both LXC and VM.
- I spend a lot of my free time experimenting with Raspberry Pi based projects.
- I enjoy learning new programming languages and I am currently focusing on C++.
- I regularly complete escape rooms and other puzzle-based games.