Edward Silva

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Experience

Software Engineering Intern, Kratos Defense – Colorado Springs, CO   June – August 2025

- Optimized legacy DSP algorithms in C++ through code refactoring and performance analysis, achieving 1.6x execution speedup and reducing computational overhead for real-time signal processing applications.
- Developed and implemented SIMD-optimized mathematical algorithms using vectorized operations, enabling parallel data processing and improving system throughput for multi-channel signal analysis.
- Designed and deployed a comprehensive logging framework with configurable severity levels and error tracking, reducing debugging time and improving system maintainability for development teams.
- Contributed to agile development practices using Jira for sprint planning, task tracking, and project management, enhancing team collaboration and delivery efficiency.

Co-op Intern, Electrical Design, Jordan and Skala Engineers – Denver, CO   January – June 2025

- Contributed to electrical design of 20+ multi-unit residential and specialty building developments, spanning initial takeoffs, layout design, riser diagrams, NEC verification, and QC review.
- Developed proficiency in Autodesk Revit and MEP AutoCAD, strategically placing electrical receptacles, lighting, and circuits to ensure NEC compliance and practical, user-centered functionality.
- Performed circuit loading and voltage drop calculations, balancing panel schedules and selecting appropriate breakers to ensure safety, reliability, and adherence to regulatory standards.
- Utilized existing automation between Revit/CAD layouts and Excel tracking sheets to streamline design documentation processes and reduce manual errors.
- Collaborated closely with supervisors and cross-disciplinary teams (Mechanical, Plumbing), documenting client interactions and team meetings to improve project coordination and team efficiency.

Projects

Dual-Axis Solar Tracker Robot, Arduino, Raspberry Pi, C++, Github   August – October 2024

- Designed and built a dual-axis solar tracking prototype using Arduino-controlled servos and photoresistor-based voltage divider circuits to maximize solar exposure.
- Wrote a custom tracking algorithm from scratch to identify the brightest point in the sky through light intensity sampling, enabling precise pitch and yaw adjustments.
- Utilized a Raspberry Pi as the system's central controller, handling logic flow and interfacing with the Arduino to execute real-time motor positioning.
- Conducted iterative indoor testing to calibrate sensitivity and response thresholds under varying lighting conditions, improving tracking accuracy and stability.

Education

Colorado School of Mines, **GPA:** 3.44   Expected May 2026
BS in Electrical Engineering – Controls & Signal Processing
Minor in Computer Science – Software and Algorithm Design
Courses: Advanced Control Systems, Signals & Systems, Embedded Systems, Software Engineering
Certifications: Microsoft Technical Associate (MTA): Python & Java Programming

Skills

Programming Languages: C++, MATLAB, Java, Python, Verilog, RISC-V Assembly, Bash
Technology: SSH, Linux OS (Ubuntu), Raspberry Pi, Arduino
Software: Autodesk Revit, MEP AutoCAD, VS Code, GitHub