

Laurence Stant | Curriculum Vitæ

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Education

University of Surrey, NPL

Guildford, UK

PhD in Microwave Engineering

2014–2019

Measurement Uncertainty in Nonlinear Behavioural Models of Microwave and Millimetre-Wave Amplifiers.

University of Surrey

Guildford, UK

BSc.(Hons) Physics with Nuclear Astrophysics, Upper Second Class

2010–2014

Industrial placement at National Instruments UK and Ireland.

Experience

Diamond Light Source Ltd.

Harwell, UK

Senior Diagnostics Engineer

Oct 2021–Present

Design and development of electron beam position monitor systems, real-time RF feedback systems and MicroTCA hardware for the next generation of the UK's synchrotron particle accelerator.

Diamond Light Source Ltd.

Harwell, UK

RF Engineer

Apr 2018–Oct 2021

Member of the group responsible for continuous operation of the multi-megawatt RF systems supporting a 3 GeV synchrotron. Developing and commissioning new FPGA digital low-level RF control systems, RF cavities (normal- and super-conducting). Specification, installation and commissioning of 80 kW solid-state power amplifiers and their PLC interlock control systems.

National Institute for Standards and Technology (NIST)

Boulder, CO, USA

Guest Researcher

Apr 2017–May 2017

Nonlinear calibration artefact characterisation and further development of a software uncertainty framework.

Satellite Applications Catapult

Harwell, UK

Satellite Engineering Intern

Aug 2014–Oct 2014

Full mechanical, electronic and firmware design and development of a picosatellite kit for educational purposes. Delivery of two-day course at British embassy in Warsaw during UKTI trip to Poland in December 2014.

Diamond Light Source Ltd.

Harwell, UK

Beamline Scientist Intern

July 2013–Sept 2013

Development of a closed-cycle humidity chamber for the I22 beamline. I also added EPICS control system integration to an existing pressure cell controlled using LabVIEW, including prototyping interfaces using EDM.

National Instruments UK and Ireland

Newbury, UK

Applications Engineer Intern

July 2012–June 2013

Providing technical support and advice to customers in embedded systems design and automated test. I have used this experience to assist controls engineers at HFML in the Netherlands and ISIS at RAL, UK.

Met Office

Exeter, UK

Instrumentation Scientist Intern

July 2011–Sept 2011

Design of a cavity icing system for a novel airborne ice nuclei counter, using LabVIEW as control software.

Certifications and Courses

Association for Project Management: APM Project Fundamentals Qualification (PFQ)

Siemens PLC: TIA Portal Programming 1 Course (TIA-PRO1)

National Physical Laboratory: Level 1 Instrumentation & Sensors Course

National Instruments: Certified LabVIEW Developer (expired 2016)

IPAF: Category 3B (cherry picker) license (expired)

PLC Dojo (Udemy): PLC Fundamentals, Applied Logic

Radio Society of Great Britain: Full amateur license

Organisations

IET: Full Member, working towards CEng

Radio Society of Great Britain: Registered assessor, and former club callsign holder

Languages

English: Native

French: Basic

German: Basic

Skills

Electronic engineering, practical problem solving, technical writing and presenting, teamwork, RF design and simulation, PLC control systems (Siemens, Allen-Bradley, Koyo DirectLOGIC), programming (Python, Javascript, C, C++, VB.NET, R, VHDL), Linux systems administration, \LaTeX , web development, equipment maintenance and repair, power distribution, fabrication and prototyping, research, embedded systems, basic FPGA and SDR programming.

Interests

Open source hardware and software, STEM outreach, internet-of-things, amateur radio, live music and events, sailing, high-power model rocketry, preserved railways and signalling control systems.

References

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Publications

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