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EDUCATION

BASc, Electrical Engineering + PEY Co-Op, University of Toronto

2022 - 2027

- Signals, controls & electronics (analog + digital design)
- Dean's Honours List (cGPA: 3.98/4.00), WiSE Mentorship
- Study Abroad @ the University of Siena, website (under development) used to document my experiences

Ontario Secondary School Diploma, University of Toronto Schools

2015 - 2021

• Governor General's Medal (highest cumulative average)

EXPERIENCE

Summer Research Student

May 2022 - Aug 2022

Passeport Lab

Toronto, ON

- Processed stormwater samples via density separation and organic digestion (in accordance with lab SOPs) and identified microplastics via FTIR spectroscopy to provide data for publication
- Analyzed microplastic data in Microsoft Excel to determine sources of error & improve accuracy of counting methods by $\approx 50\%$
- Performed a literature review on contaminant extraction and presented results to 2 academic labs

Research Assistant

May 2021 - Nov 2021

SickKids Hospital

Toronto, ON

• Created and presented figures using BioRender to illustrate the mechanisms behind current advances in cancer immunotherapy to incoming undergraduates

Tutor

Mar 2021 - Present

Self-Employed

Toronto, ON

 \bullet Create personalized lessons for diverse learning styles; have improved scores by > 25% in Calculus I/II

PROJECTS

CNN-LSTM Stock Price Model [GitHub]: Used YahooFinance price data to perform data analytics (10-day EMA, daily return %) and train an CNN-LSTM model to predict prices with over 92% accuracy

Bindicator! [GitHub]: Used waste collection data from OpenData to program a microcontroller to automatically update an LCD & LEDs with the waste type(s) being collected based on current time and location

Space Invaders [GitHub]: Worked with a partner to implement the retro arcade game Space Invaders in Verilog; project was deployed on a DE1-SoC FPGA connected to an external monitor (with a VGA adapter)

Autonomous Robot [GitHub]: Designed and programmed an autonomous, line-following robot using Fusion360/AutoCAD and microcontrollers to navigate a track using a bang-bang control algorithm

Manhattan Plots [Results]: Performed a GWAS in a team to determine single nucleotide polymorphisms influencing ERAP-2 expression in Germanic vs. Yoruba individuals in R with 1000 Genomes Project data

SKILLS

Low-Level Languages
Data Analytics & ML
Web Development
Tools

Verilog (in Quartus), C/C++, ARM Assembly

Python (inc. TensorFlow, Scikit-learn), MATLAB, R

HTML, CSS, JavaScript

LATEX, Microsoft Office, Git, VSCode, AutoCAD, LTSpice