

# FRANK KOFI MANU

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## EDUCATION

### University of Massachusetts, Lowell

May, 2020

M.Sc. Computer Engineering

Relevant Courses: Coding & Information Theory, FPGA Logic Design, Radar Systems, Data Structures, Microwave Engineering, Data Communication Networks, Communication Theory.

Honors: Summa Cum Laude.

### University of Massachusetts, Lowell

May, 2018

B.Sc. Electrical Engineering

Relevant Courses: Wireless Communications, Electromagnetics, Electromechanics, Microprocessors Feedback Systems, Digital Signal Processing, Electromechanics.

Honors: Commonwealth Honors, Dean's List, Omicron Delta Kappa, Tau Beta Pi (MA Theta), Magna Cum Laude.

## PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

### MIT xPRO

Aug 2018 - Mar 2019

Architecture and Systems Engineering

## WORK EXPERIENCE

### Amazon

### Amazon Robotics

Sr. Systems Development Engineer

Nov 2023 - Present

- Developed "FRODO", an ElectronJS and Python desktop application reducing Amazon Eject Chute deployment time from 12 to 2 weeks, saving \$0.7M.
- Implemented PLC based controls to expediate resolution of package exceptions, enabling Amazon to fulfill more deliveries within promised customer times.
- Mentored junior engineers, participated in recruiting and interviewing processes, and contributed to strategic policies to drive engineering improvements and team growth.

Systems Development Engineer

Jul 2021 - Nov 2023

- Developed "Interceptor," a Python-based middleware connecting Amazon Pharmacy's SmartPac and Symphony WMS, reducing associate packing time from an average of 30 seconds to 12 seconds.
- Collaborated on the design of "AWIS", a prototype Computer Vision and Machine Learning system, to reduce virtual-physical mismatches (VPMs), a \$2M annual cost driver at BDL2 (FC).
- Created scripts to improve scanner accuracy, eliminating approximately 1,200 monthly scan lockout instances across Amazon's Pharmacy network.
- Developed "Skippy," a Python script for operations at DEN4 (FC), to gather metrics on dwell times for made-on-demand (MOD), enhancing critical pull times (CPTs) for MOD books.

### Carrier Corporation

### Kidde Fire Systems

Systems Engineer

Jun 2018 - Jul 2021

- Led the development of KFS IntelliSite™ from concept to production release achieving a 33% faster time to market, in 2 years, compared to KFS' typical 3 to 4 year product development timeline.
- Engineered and integrated hardware and software systems, including an IoT Gateway running Yocto Linux, Antenna and other critical hardware to ensure system reliability.
- Led software engineering efforts, including architectural design, code reviews, QA testing, debugging, and implementing continuous integration practices.

## WORK EXPERIENCE

### Analog Devices (Industrial Capstone Project)

UMass Lowell, EECE Dept.

Electrical Engineer

Aug 2017 - May 2018

- Constructed Monopulse Phased Array Radar System primarily to provide a test platform and marketing demo system for the Analog Device's ADAR1000 beamforming chips.
- Managed project concept design, schedule, component selection and consecutive changes successfully from initial client meeting to functional prototype system.
- Conducted RF loopback tests, improving detection occurrence of target corner reflector by approximately 95% out of 300+ sample runs and successful demos in capstone showcase.

### ThermoFisher Scientific

Thermo Scientific

Electrical Engineering Co-op

Jan 2017 - Sep 2017

- Carried out and authored Bring-Up and Design Verification Tests for PCBs and prototype subsystems, ensuring system reliability.
- Updated circuit schematics and PCB layouts to integrate Bluetooth and WiFi connectivity for ThermoFisher's Niton Handheld Analyzer.
- Diagnosed and resolved electrical issues in prototype systems, including on their communication modules (Wi-Fi, Bluetooth, GPS) through circuit debugging and PCB rework, improving functionality.

## TECHNICAL SKILLS

Electrical Engineering: Schematic Design, BOM Processing, Spice Analysis, OrCAD, Comms. Protocols, (I<sup>2</sup>C, SPI & UART), WIFI, Bluetooth and GPS modules, Circuit Debug, PCB Design.

Computer Engineering: Python, C, C++, C#, MATLAB, VHDL, Verilog, Typescript, Javascript, MySQL.

Systems Engineering: Systems Architecture, IBM DOORS (Requirements Management), Jama, AWS Serverless Design & Architecture, JIRA, Research Program Management.

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

### Advanced Communication Networks Lab

UMass Lowell, EECE Dept.

Electrical Engineering Research Asst.

Jan 2016 - May 2018

- Assisted in analyzing Optical Network design and resource allocation with a focus on problems resulting from packet blocking.
- Assisted in developing network simulators for investigating blocking probability, advance reservation and allocation, and various networking heuristics (first fit, random fit etc.).
- Reviewed research papers from PhD candidates, offered constructive criticisms and recommended clarification on various theoretical assertions.

### Lead-free Nano-solders and Applications

UMass Lowell, ChemE Dept.

Electrical Engineering Research Asst.

Aug 2015 - Jan 2016

- Synthesized lead-free nano particles for developing solder from Sn/Cu (Tin/Copper) powder.
- Focused on synthesis precision to achieve results comparable to lead based solders.
- Analyzed soldered components for comparison with solder joints made by Pb(Lead) based solders.
- Proposed the 4-wire approach for measuring resistances of conductive test samples after persistent imprecise results. Subsequent results were precise and fairly accurate within error margins.