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## Ausbildung

**Apr. 2019 – Sept. 2022**

Aachen, Deutschland

**M. Sc. Elektrotechnik, Informationstechnik und Technische Informatik**

*RWTH Aachen Universität*

*Abschlussnote 2,1*

- Masterarbeit "Field-Programmable Gate Array basierte Echtzeitregelung und -simulation"

**Juli 2014 – Mai 2018**

Bihta (Patna), Indien

**B. Tech. Electrical Engineering**

*Indian Institute of Technology Patna*

*Abschlussnote 7.32 / 10 (indische) = 2,1 (deutsche)*

- Bachelorarbeit "Hardware Architecture of a Family of Sigma-Point Kalman Filters for Bayesian Estimation"

## Berufserfahrung

**Apr. 2021 – Dez. 2021**

Aachen, Deutschland

**Masterarbeit "Field-Programmable Gate Array basierte Echtzeitregelung und -simulation"**

*Institut für Energie- und Klimaforschung (IEK-10) am Forschungszentrum Jülich GmbH*

- Developed design using soft-core microprocessors to rapidly prototype control-loop algorithms for FPGA-based real-time simulators of power systems and to allow independent formulation of power system and control-loop models.
- Introduced *control* and *data-logger* soft-cores, each based on MicroBlaze soft-core microprocessor from Xilinx and implemented on Xilinx Virtex Ultrascale+ VCU118 board, respectively dedicated to running control algorithms at switching frequency and logging simulation data at each time step.
- Konzipierte eine heterogene Architektur mit mehreren speziellen Soft-Core-Mikroprozessoren, die hierarchische Regelkreissysteme und eine detailliertere Verwaltung der Echtzeitsimulation ermöglicht.
- Assembled final work product using combination of proprietary Xilinx IPs from Vivado IP Integrator, HLS modules of power systems generated from ORTiS, self-authored Verilog RTL modules and binaries for soft-core microprocessor using Xilinx SDK.

**Okt. 2020 – Feb. 2021**

Home Office

**Praktikant**

*Institut für Energie- und Klimaforschung (IEK-10) am Forschungszentrum Jülich GmbH*

- Implementierte Stromnetzmodelle mit dem Open-Source-Code-Generierungstool ORTiS, das auf High-Level-Synthese für RTL-Co-simulation und Echtzeitsimulation auf einem FPGA ausgerichtet war.
- Erweiterte HLS-Modelle mit memory-mapped AXI4-Register-Interface. Verifizierte Hardware-Modelle auf Xilinx Virtex-7 VC707 FPGA-Board mit Remote-Debugging.
- Entwickelte Makefile-Pipeline unter Linux für ORTiS-Code-Generierung, Vivado High-Level Synthesis, Vivado IP Integrator und FPGA-Bitstream-Generierung.

**Mai 2019 – Sept. 2020**

Aachen, Deutschland

**Studentische Hilfskraft**

*Institute for Automation of Complex Power Systems, E.ON Energy Research Centre*

- Integrierte Xilinx-FPGA-Boards in die VILLAS-Cosimulations-Plattform durch den Aufbau einer Architektur auf dem seriellen Aurora 8B/10B-Protokoll.
- Entwickelte ein Tcl-Makefile-System mit Skripten zur Automatisierung der Design-Generierung und Bitstream-Kompilierung.
- Entwickelte Bare-Metal-Driver-Programme in C/C++ für FPGA-Firmware.

Mai 2018 – Nov. 2018  
IIT Patna, Indien

### Senior Research Fellow

*“Underwater Target Motion Analysis with Passive Sensors”,*

*Naval Physical & Oceanographic Laboratory (DRDO), Ministry of Defence, Govt of India*

- Implementierte fortgeschrittene Tracking-Filter in MATLAB für das Bearings-only Tracking-Problem.
- Simulierte die Leistung von modernen Filtern anhand realer Manöverdaten der indischen Marine und erstellte eine vergleichende Studie.
- Concluded that Shifted Rayleigh Filter outperforms other filters in terms of computational complexity while still being superior at tracking target.

Aug. 2017 – Mai 2018  
IIT Patna, Indien

### Bachelorarbeit “Hardware Architecture of a Family of Sigma-Point Kalman Filters for Bayesian Estimation”

*Control and Instrumentation Lab*

- Designed and implemented a parallel architecture of Sigma-point Kalman filtering algorithms on an FPGA by independently conceptualised parallel routine for Cholesky decomposition in  $O(N)$  time complexity.
- Further optimised resource usage of parallel Cholesky decomposition architecture for maximum processor utilisation to achieve  $O(\frac{1}{4}N^2)$  resource complexity, as compared to  $O(\frac{1}{2}N^2)$  resource complexity of state-of-the-art.
- Implemented parallel architectures using Verilog HDL and Xilinx Vivado on Xilinx Zynq-7000 ZC702 and Digilent Nexys4 DDR FPGA boards, making use of open-source floating-point IPs and Xilinx Vivado IPs.
- Presented final work product to the professors of the department and was one of only two students to receive unanimous 10 / 10 grade from cohort of 50 candidates. Nominated for Best B. Tech. Thesis award from Dept of Electrical Engineering.

Mai 2017 – Aug. 2017  
Google Summer of Code  
2017

### Studentischer Softwareentwickler

*Free and Open Source Silicon Foundation, “EDSAC Museum on FPGA”*

- Built Verilog model of historic EDSAC computer from original but incomplete documentation in collaboration with members of “The EDSAC Replica Project” team (TNMOC, Bletchley Park, UK).
- Programmed and simulated EDSAC architecture and ISA on myStorm Lattice iCE FPGA board using open-source toolchains, like Yosys and iverilog.
- Coordinated with team of younger students in UK to build hardware imitation of EDSAC memory delay line, teleprinter and paper tape reader.
- Demonstrated final work product at ChipHack 2017 workshop and presented at ORConf 2017 digital design conference in Hebden Bridge, UK, for which full sponsorship was received.

Feb. 2016 – Aug. 2016  
Google Summer of Code  
2016

### Studentischer Softwareentwickler

*Coreboot (Flashrom), “Read/Write Multiple Status Registers and Lock/Unlock Memory on SPI Chips”*

- Entwickelte eine einheitliche Abstraktion von Statusregistern in SPI Flash-Speicherchips von verschiedenen Chip-Herstellern.
- Programmierte Functions zum Sperren/Entsperren von Speicherplätzen, zum Umgang mit Konfigurationsbits und zur automatischen Generierung von Speicherschutzmaps.
- Entwickelte CLI, um neue Funktionen bereitzustellen, und testete die Infrastruktur mit Raspberry Pi und Teensy-Development-Board.
- Kontaktaufnahme mit dem Verkaufsleiter von GigaDevice aus China, um Engineering-Probe-Chips zu besorgen und Unterstützung für diese Chips einzuführen.

## Kenntnisse

Programmierung	Verilog, C/C++, Python, Assembly, JavaScript, Java, Shell, HTML/CSS				
Software	Xilinx Vivado & HLS, MATLAB, Simulink, RSCAD, NI LabVIEW, GNU/Linux, git/GitHub, gdb, Verilator, L <sup>A</sup> T <sub>E</sub> X, gnuplot				
Hardware	Xilinx Virtex & Zynq SoC, Digilent Nexys4 DDR, RTDS NovaCor, Raspberry Pi, Arduino, PIC Microcontroller				
Sprachen	English	Hearing C2	Reading C2	Speaking C2	Writing C2
	Deutsch	Hören B1	Lesen B2	Sprechen B1	Schreiben B1
	Hindi	Muttersprache			

## Ehrenamtliches und sonstige Tätigkeiten

*Juni 2021 – Apr. 2022*  
*Aachen, Deutschland*

### **Freiwilliger**

*Faiz al-Mawaid al-Burhaniyah (FMB)*

- Co-founded Aachen chapter of FMB and led team of volunteers with vision to provide home-cooked and healthy meals to students in and around Aachen at least once a week.
- Organised meal distribution drives on festive occasions, especially Ramadan, to celebrate cultural identity and increase community engagement.
- Co-developed low-cost, sustainable standard operating model to make community effort scalable and reproducible at other locations.

*Apr. 2017 – Apr. 2018*  
*IIT Patna, Indien*

### **Assistant Head Coordinator, Dept of Electrical Engineering**

*Training and Placement Cell*

- Selected by class majority to represent students of Dept of Electrical Engineering.
- Led team in designing placement brochures and helped arrange on-campus placement sessions, tests and interviews.

*Apr. 2016 – Apr. 2017*  
*IIT Patna, Indien*

### **Coordinator**

*Startup Relations, Entrepreneurship Club*

- Led Startup Relations department and served as mentor to early-stage on-campus startups to help develop business plans, choose investor strategies and network with advisors.
- As part of Core Committee, oversaw the organisation of E-Week 2017, the annual national-level event of Entrepreneurship Club.
- Delivered presentations as part of In-house Mentorship Lecture series based on individual technical and business experience in early-stage startups.

*Apr. 2015 – Apr. 2016*  
*IIT Patna, Indien*

### **Task Manager**

*Startup Relations, Entrepreneurship Club*

- Recruited volunteers and helped organise pitching events, workshops and guest talks.
- Assisted in establishing panel of early investors and mentors for on-campus startups.

## **Referenzen**

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