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3B Mechatronics Engineering

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Languages

English
Hungarian

Software

AutoCAD
Altium
Cadence
EAGLE
LTSpice
PADS
Solidworks
Xilinx Vivado
Altera Quartus
Microsoft Office
Linux

Hardware

Xilinx & Altera FPGAs
Arduino
BeagleBone
Raspberry Pi
ARM Cortex
PIC
Particle Photon
ESP8266
Teensy

Education

Candidate for Bachelor of Applied Science (BASC) in Mechatronics Engineering

University of Waterloo, Waterloo, ON
Expected May 2018

- Achieved a competitive rank of 26th of 106 students during the 3B term, maintaining a cumulative average of 84.7%
- Relevant Courses:** Microprocessors and Digital Logic, Computer Structures and Real-Time Systems, Sensors and Instrumentation, Microprocessor Systems and Interfacing, Actuators and Power Electronics, Automatic Control Systems, and Autonomous Mobile Robots

Experience

SQUARE INC

Electrical Engineering Intern

Toronto, Ontario
May 2017 - August 2017

- Led the complete electrical characterization of the analog front-end of a custom in-house ASIC meant for secure payment processing
- Contributed to internal processes by using Python and other Windows scripting tools to design and implement a measurement automation system to help complete characterization tasks in less than half the time
- Won first place in an intern hack week for creating a low-cost, Square POS integrated restaurant pager system that was then presented to the CEO and upper level staff; I was responsible for all of the electrical component selection and schematic design in a multidisciplinary team of five interns
- Conducted thorough experimentation on the viability of using various SMD inductors to emulate a magnetic credit card swipe for the design of advanced internal test fixtures, as well as contributed to the schematic design of a PCB that leveraged the results of my experimentation

ARISTA NETWORKS INC

Hardware Engineering Intern

Santa Clara, California
September 2016 - December 2016

- Led development of Integrated Power Shelf (IPS) internal project, heavily contributing to the hardware and software design of the 1RU BeagleBone-controlled power system
- Expanded and prototyped the software platform for the IPS, adding SNMP functionality, a Flask-based web interface, and software telemetry capabilities (through I2C)
- Conducted a comprehensive hardware evaluation of a new digital power management IC, testing functionality, ensuring compatibility with new designs, and culminating in a formal report

IMAGINE COMMUNICATIONS

Hardware Designer

Toronto, Ontario
January 2016 - April 2016

- Assisted with VHDL design and simulation for Xilinx-based FPGAs centered around real-time audio and video processing
- Revised and updated electrical schematics with Cadence EDA tools to replace an IC on an existing production board, then tested and verified the successful redesign
- Analyzed and debugged a defective board through examining the schematic, conducting electrical measurements through an oscilloscope and multimeter, and logical circuit troubleshooting
- Conducted SFP+ compliance testing to ensure signal integrity on pre-production boards as well as wrote the associated formal compliance reports

KEPSTRUM INC

Junior Engineering Intern

Vaughan, Ontario
May 2015 - August 2015

- Led development of a major Windows application in C# meant to facilitate internal engineering processes, and completed a working prototype in less than two months
- Contributed to software and PLC test stand HMI development on-site at Kepstrum's technical facilities in Austria
- Initiated changes to existing business practices through the introduction of a formal revision control system as well as a centralized knowledge-base for the company

Programming

Java, C#, C++
Python 2.7 & 3
HTML & CSS
JavaScript, Node.js
PHP & SQL
VHDL & Verilog
PLC Programming
Embedded C
MATLAB
Assembly

Awards

WatPD Engineering Entrance Scholarship

Received for academic and extracurricular excellence

University of Waterloo, Waterloo, ON

September 2013

Governor General's Academic Bronze Medal

Received for achieving the highest average upon graduation

King City Secondary School, King City, ON

June 2013

Extracurriculars

Electronics and Hardware Prototyping

2013 - Present

- Submitted a fully integrated hardware and software project called AirFuse to IntelHacks 2017, where I worked on the schematic design, hardware prototyping, and 3D printed case design (more information at www.devpost.com/software/airfuse)
- Designed and prototyped practical circuits such as an AUX-to-Bluetooth module, various power supplies, and addressable LED Wi-Fi string lights for room decoration, occasionally taking the extra steps to route and layout a PCB to be sent out for fabrication
- Gained experience in designing and assembling mechanical systems through construction of a 3D printer, custom wooden rack, and other 3D printed project enclosures

Self-Guided Programming and Software Systems Projects

2012 - Present

- Completed a prototype Android application for the AirFuse project submitted to IntelHacks 2017, leveraging a backend API in Django to control the purpose-built hardware through Wi-Fi
- Designed and created my personal website, www.krisztiankurucz.ca, using HTML, CSS, and Javascript to craft a modern user experience
- Wrote plugins for a popular Java-based game, one of which became popular and was downloaded over 1000 times by the community
- Created and setup a promotional website and e-mail newsletter system for a community-run series of open mic events at www.yropenmic.com

Engineering Orientation Leader

September 2014, 2015, & 2016

- Led, instructed, and supervised students, as well as participated in the setup and teardown of most events in an administrative role for over 7000 engineering first years (2016)
- Took responsibility for an entire group of over 80 students, with the help of only two other orientation leaders (2015)
- Organized and supervised incoming first-year students, ensuring they were safe, actively engaged, and having fun during orientation week activities

Interests

Professional: app creation, data analysis, electronic design, programming, prototyping, web design, woodworking

Personal: biking, cooking, photography, reading, running, snowboarding, travel

References

Available upon request.