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Software Engineer & Architect with a focus on backend system development for robotics applications. Strong aptitude for mechanical design and a successful record of leading projects from proof of concept into production.

Education

University of California, Riverside & Davis

Sep. 2010-Jun. 2014

- UCR: BSME with concentration in Control Theory under Department of Mechanical Engineering (BCOE)
- UCD: Control Theory Concentration under Department of Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering

Technical Toolset

Development Languages & Environments:

 Visual Studio 	Codeblocks	SVN/GIT	Batch Script	Node.is

Atmel Studio
 C, C++
 C# .NET
 MATLAB
 HTML, CSS, JS

RSLogix/FactoryTalk
 Beckhoff TwinCAT
 MagneMotion
 Fanuc Robotics
 Cognex Vision

Professional Experience

Lead Robotics Software Engineer at CarbonCapture

Jun. 2023-Present

Driving system software architecture and development for modular Direct Air Capture (DAC) reactors. Ensuring that our team builds a software core that is sufficiently robust, scalable, and maintainable to support current and future product deployments. Leading hiring efforts and building infrastructure and culture to support a quickly growing technical team.

- Identify development resource needs and create new technical positions to aid in development efforts.
- Coordinate hiring efforts, budget, and team structure with executives and HR. Create and improve hiring processes
- Synchronize a team of mechanical, software, process, and data science engineers on a weekly basis.
- Mentor engineers on approaching complex problems and upkeeping best coding standards
- Enforced OOP and heavy emphasis on robustness, scalability, maintainability, and patterns in C# and C++
- Anticipate and mitigate the impact of future design changes on the software layers
- Drive design of macro and micro software architectures which define the core product
- Manage and review source control on a per-commit basis to avoid common development pitfalls
- Drive strategic decisions regarding budget, mechanical design, safety, maintenance, and scalability
- Interface with external teams for outsourcing code and supplying measurement/control devices
- Hosted a bi-weekly coding program wherein Jr. and Sr. developers can learn and share their contributions
- Establish clear and achievable performance expectations and conduct regular performance evaluations

Professional Experience

Lead Software Architect at Essentium 3D

Jun. 2021-Jun. 2023

Leading robotics software architecture and development for high-speed industrial 3D printers. Ensuring that our team builds a software core that is sufficiently robust, scalable, and maintainable to support the product line.

- Lead the design and architecture of our core software which allowed us to expand from plastic to metal printing
- Mentoring Jr. Engineers on approaching complex problems and upkeeping best coding standards
- OOP and heavy emphasis on robustness, scalability, maintainability, and patterns in C# and C++
- Anticipate and mitigate the impact of future design changes on the software layer
- **Design** of macro and micro software architectures which define the core product
- Manage and review source control on a per-commit basis

Sr. Robotics Software Engineer at Amada Miyachi

Nov. 2019-Apr. 2020

Developing software for Seam Sealing machines used primarily for medical and aerospace/defense customers. My contributions include:

- Windows C# .NET machine and vision process controls
- Contribute to and modernize support libraries written in C/C++
- Machine-Vision Calibration to establish precision robot coordinates.
- Integration of various real time third-party measurement devices.
- User Interface Allowing users to fluidly interact with the multi-threaded applications

Lead Robotics Software Engineer at Seagate Technology

Mar. 2017-Mar. 2019

Developing software for cutting edge processes in digital storage technology. My contributions include:

- Windows C# .NET proprietary machine and vision process controls
- Support core vision libraries in C/C++
- Cognex VisionPro API integration
- Machine-Vision Calibration to establish precision robot coordinates
- Motion Control Kinematics, pick-n-place, multi-axis coordination, Quantum HSM framework
- User Interface Allowing users to fluidly interact with the multi-threaded application
- Version Control Using SVN, TFS and Agile/Scrum using Jira
- OOP Heavy emphasis on encapsulation, inheritance, polymorphism, and robust design patterns

Lead Controls Engineer at Sorenson Engineering Inc.

Sep. 2014-Mar. 2016

Leading controls software development for high-volume manufacturing. I developed core software and worked closely with Mechanical Engineers to build proof of concept products (R&D environment).

- Fieldbus Integration Integrating third-party hardware/software nodes into a controls network
- Motion Control Kinematics, motor sizing, pick-n-place, multi-axis synchronization, and axis coupling
- Vision Inspection Driving digital cameras (Cognex, Baumer/VeriSens) via native C++ SDKs
- Eliminated need for expensive camming software license and a measurement sensor.
- Increased machine PPM by decreasing rotor inertia ratio by 140% for tighter position control (VSIII)