Matthew Feldman

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EDUCATION

Doctor of Philosophy, Electrical Engineering Master of Science, Electrical Engineering

May 2020

Stanford University, Stanford, CA

Bachelor of Science, Electrical Engineering

December 2014

University of Florida, Gainesville, FL

ACADEMIA

PhD Researcher, Pervasive Parallelism Lab (Advsr: Kunle Olukotun)

August 2015 - Present

Stanford University, Stanford, CA

- Implementing a compiler for high-level domain specific languages to target reconfigurable architectures, by exploiting parallel patterns expressed in functional programming
- Exploring optimal ways for mapping machine learning algorithms (ie- Stochastic Gradient Descent) to Field-Programmable Gate Arrays and Coarse-Grain Reconfigurable Architectures

Teaching Assistant, Linear Control Systems Course and Lab

August 2014 - December 2014

University of Florida, Gainesville, FL

- Conducted weekly lab sessions for students to gain experience using Matlab for linear controls applications
- Taught students basic concepts, such as state space system modeling and lead and lag controller design
- Graded homework and exams

Computer Vision Programmer, Machine Intelligence Lab

August 2014 - December 201

University of Florida, Gainesville, FL

- Designed and implemented SLAM algorithms through visual and odometer sensor fusion to assist a mobile robot navigate a course for the IEEE Autonomous Robot competition
 - Produced an undergraduate thesis on computer vision, Kalman filtering, and perspective geometry

Optics in the City of Light REU Researcher, Biophotonics Group

June 2013 - July 2013

Institut d'Optique, Palaiseau, France

- Constructed 3-dimension Full-Field Optical Coherence Tomography setup to support a cell-level biological study
- Characterized spherical aberration and image quality degradation as a function of conjugation position by programming LabVIEW control system and Matlab data-processing script

NanoJapan REU Researcher, Ajayan Lab

June 2012 - July 2012

Rice University, Houston, TX

- Enhanced batteries and supercapacitors by creating new nanostructures and graphene coating using chemical vapor deposition
 - Grew and transferred graphene samples for international collaboration projects on graphene devices

EEREU Researcher, Materials Research Institute

June 2011 - July 2011

Pennsylvania State University, State College, PA

- Designed and fabricated tunable microchip coils, using CST Microwave Studio to assess model feasibility and a Vector Network Analyzers for hardware testing
- Scanned small-scale phantoms using an MRI machine and newly-designed 600MHz microchips to improve tools available to biologists and antenna designers, with results published in yearly journal

Research Assistant, Instrumentation and Imaging Laboratory for Biomechanics

January 2011 - May 2012

- University of Florida, Gainesville, FL
 - Created and debugged LabVIEW programs that model the kinematics of multi-joint mechanical arms for National Instruments database
 - Modeled a functioning Klann Linkage system with dimensions similar to those of a StrandBeest
 - Constructed and developed software to control a pneumatic Instron tensile stress machine from basic components to be used in future engineering courses at the university

INDUSTRY

Student Technical Assistant, MIT Lincoln Laboratory

January 2015 - August 2015

Lexington, MA

• Developed surveillance metrics and software in Matlab to rapidly automate the testing of tracking algorithms and parameters between new surveillance modules and legacy systems

- Wrote parallel Matlab for the grid supercomputer to simulate thousands of random airspace environments for testing the tracking system and tens of thousands of encounter geometries for analyzing the operational suitability of the collision avoidance logic
 - Designed new portable algorithms for the surveillance and tracking modules on board unmanned aircraft

Avionics Hardware Development and Integration Intern, SpaceX

August 2012 - August 2014

Hawthorne, CA

- Developed Altium extensions in C# and Python with unsupervised learning algorithms for streamlining the avionics design process
 - Worked on thermal imaging systems on Falcon 9 Reusable to improve reliability and reduce cost
 - Designed harnesses and data acquisition circuit boards for flight on Falcon 9 Reusable and Dragon
 - Compiled data on various electronic interfaces for all current and future satellite missions
- Developed and qualified proprietary avionics systems to improve safety and reliability of all future Falcon 9 and Falcon Heavy flights, using Matlab, C++, and Bash

Engineering and Science Tutor, InstaEDU.com

May 2013 - Present

Gainesville, FL

- Taught science, math, and engineering concepts to students ranging in age from middle school to college
- Designed and developed a proof-of-concept math training resource to visually teach students about solving equations

Sponsored Engineer, Integrated Product and Process Design Program

August 2013 - May 2014

Stryker Sustainability Solutions at University of Florida, Gainesville, FL

- Lead and worked in a multidisciplinary team of engineers
- Designed, manufactured, and tested a C-based embedded system and fixture to rapidly test the integrity of the circuitry inside a particular ultrasonic scalpel surgery tool

Director of Energy and Environment, The Dynamo Policy Research Group

September 2010 - May 2012

University of Florida, Gainesville, FL

- Published a policy recommendation on Smart Grid Systems in the 10 Ideas- Energy and Environment publication and Roosevelt Institutes peer-reviewed Solutions for the South online publication, where policy makers are known to extract ideas
- Discussed political topics regarding Energy and Environment via the Dynamos blog for the university community to read and consider
 - Hosted an expert forum on Technological Innovations in Education at the University of Florida

FELLOWSHIPS

Stanford Graduate Fellowship, P. Michael Farmwald Fellow, Three years (SGF)

September 2015 - Present

NSF Graduate Research Fellowship, Three years (NSF-GRFP)

September 2015 - Present

LEADERSHIP

Founder, Five for Tanzania Charity Fundraiser for Rhotia Valley, Tanzania University of Florida, Gainesville, FL

September 2011

• Raised donations and support for the Rhotia Valley childrens home and for tsunami victims in Minamisanriku, Japan from the publicity of setting multiple world records in the sport of joggling, or running and juggling at the same

Vice President, "Objects in Motion" (Juggling Club)

August 2010 - May 2011

University of Florida, Gainesville, FL

- Designed novel juggling props and developed mass production techniques
- Designed choreography for live performances in Gainesville

Space Florida Academy, NASA-oriented engineering program sponsored by Lockheed Martin Cape Canaveral, FL

March 2011

- Designed, constructed, and launched a weather balloon payload during the week of Spring break with numerous other engineers from Florida in order to stream images of Earth from the stratosphere
- Worked and interacted with engineers and physicists from NASA, Lockheed Martin, and United Launch Alliance throughout multiple panel discussions

ACHIEVEMENTS

Financed 100% of undergraduate college tuition with merit-based scholarships Guinness World Record Holder, Fastest 400m, mile, and 5k while juggling 5 objects Commissioned Student Ambassador to Miyazu, Japan for the city of Delray Beach, FL

August 2010 - December 2014 July 2011 - Present

April 2008 June 2010

AFFILIATIONS

Engineer-in-Training, State of Florida Member, IEEE Professional Engineering Society Member, Student Small Satellite Design Club Benton Engineering Council Representative, Gator Amateur Radio Club Licensed Amateur Radio Technician August 2015 - present July 2011 - present November 2011 - December 2011 January 2011 - December 2011 January 2011 - Present

PUBLICATIONS

- "Understanding and Optimizing Asynchronous Low-Precision Stochastic Gradient Descent" (Submitted to ASPLOS for initial review)
- Feldman M, Lanagan M, Perini S. MRI microcoils for imaging individual cells. Annual Research Journal Electrical Engineering Research Experience for Undergrads. IX:169-179, 2011 August
- Legel L, **Feldman M**. Smart grid deployment plans for Floridas utilities. 10 Ideas for Energy & Environment. 14-15, 2011 July
- Feldman M, Gullapalli H, Reddy LM, Vajtai R, Ajayan PM. Fluorine-etched nanostructures for energy storage applications. RQI Symposium. Rice University, 2012 August 3.