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## EDUCATION

### Cornell University

B.S. in Electrical and Computer Engineering, B.S. in Computer Science (GPA - 3.8)

Ithaca, NY

Expected Graduation: May 2024

### Relevant Coursework

Introduction to Analysis of Algorithms  
Digital Logic & Computer Organization

Digital System Design Using Microcontrollers  
Data Structures & Functional Programming

### Skills

**Programming Languages:** Rust, Java, Bash, Python, C/C++

**Software:** Linux, LTspice, Cadence, KiCAD, Altium, Mentor Designer/Layout, Quartus

**Hardware:** Raspberry Pi, Arduino, FPGA Boards, Verilog

## EXPERIENCE

### Apple

iPad System EE Intern

Cupertino, CA

Jan 2023 - Present

- Designed and tested a buck converter power module for on internal dev boards, removing reliance on a vendor's power modules, preventing future supply chain issues and reducing cost.
- Designed a PCBA to calibrate the ADC of a micro-controller, so that it could be used in a micro-current load to precisely characterize power components
- Created prototype analog and RF circuits for future development.
- Coordinated with a Product Design Engineer, DFM, and PCB Designer to design flexible PCBAs for prototypes

### SpaceX

Starlink Engineering Intern

Hawthorne, CA

Jan 2022 - Aug 2022

- Anchored User Terminal Power Budget over temperature and operating mode by automating thermal chamber data collection through SCPI commands, informing thermal team of shortcomings and improving field predictions
- Automated an assembly line station through mechanical design and PLC TwinCAT software, tripling its speed and preventing a production bottleneck
- Tested and qualified alternative integrated circuits for Business User Terminals, preventing a parts shortage
- Designed a dev PCBA to test various potential fixes for acoustic noise from user terminals

### Cornell University Unmanned Air Systems

Electrical Team Member

Ithaca, NY

Fall 2022 - Present

- Designed a PCB using an ESP32-S2 microcontroller to interface with a camera over a DVP or USB protocol and save footage to an SD card

## PROJECTS

### Chess AI

Summer 2021

- Developed a UCI Chess AI from scratch in Rust using a minimax algorithm with variable depth and time control.
- Hosted a systemd service to interact with lichess.com's API, allowing the AI to play against other bots and humans, earning an Elo rating of 1700, making it stronger than 70% human players on the website.

### Servo Controller

Summer 2021

- Modified servos to provide an analog feedback signal of their position by accessing the potentiometer within it
- Designed and created an Op-Amp circuit which generates a pulse width modulation (PWM) signal, controlling the position of a servo to match that of another servo by implementing an analog feedback loop to adjust the signal

### Automatic Plant Waterer

Summer 2020

- Designed and built 3D-Printed automatic plant watering machine with Fusion 360, housing a mint plant and a water supply
- Implemented an Arduino to detect when the soil is too dry and use a peristaltic pump to water the plant when necessary

### 3D Printed RC Hovercraft

Fall 2019

- Designed and built a fully 3D-Printed radio controlled (RC) Hovercraft with Fusion 360, using custom-designed 3D-Printed impellers.