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#### **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

## Apple Inc., Cupertino, CA, USA

*iPhone Hardware System Design Engineer* 

Dec. 2020 - Current

Focused on hardware design of the next generation of iPhones.

# Axon Enterprise Inc., Scottsdale, AZ, USA

Electrical Engineer- Video Camera Division

Mar. 2019 - Dec. 2020

- Led the system architecture design around chosen mobile processor chip-set for Axon's next generation wearable point-ofview camera 'Flex3'. Designed, tested and setup early prototype manufacturing for its point-of-view camera and 6 Gbps MIPI video transportation system. Key contributor on design and implementation of radio communication audio integration.
- Successfully launched body worn camera 'AB3' by contributing to work on image sensor flex, MIPI video interface noise mitigation, PCBA design for RF noise mitigation, image sensor fixed pattern noise mitigation, USB signal integrity, mics and speaker characterization, GNSS performance characterization (GPS and GLONASS), PCBA DFM and mass production ramp and component second sourcing.

Keywords: Optical Fibers, MIPI SERDES, EMI radiated susceptibility testing, FPGA, Land Mobile Radio, PDM & PCM audio, MEMS microphone, MIPI CSI2 video interface, SLVS-200, image row noise, image black level, 4G LTE RF noise, GNSS CEP and Time-to-First-Fix, USB2.0 Eye diagram capture.

## Engineering Development Program (Rotational Program)

Jun. 2017 - Mar. 2019

Worked in R&D: Video Camera division as an Electrical Engineer and NPI Project Manager; Conducted Electrical Weapons division as an Electrical Engineer and Firmware Engineer.

- Designed from scratch the battery charging & Ethernet data offload stations Docks for the 'AB3' camera. Successfully completed architecture design, component selection, circuit design, schematic capture, BOM management, PCB layout guidance and inspection, DFM with contract manufacturer during PCB fabrication and assembly, functional test and debugging of finished PCBA.
- Project management of 'AB3' Docks with the contract manufacturer in Mexico to setup the assembly line, chart out required post-assembly tests, provide technical guidance to test fixture manufacturers, setup supply chain networks for all the required electronics, plastics, metals, labels and packaging, consolidate the schedule and ship the completed product.
- Redesign and validation of the battery charging and data aggregators *Docks* for the latest weapon 'Taser7'. Worked on Li-Po battery charging, multi-cell balancing, battery protection circuit as well as designed and implemented the charging/balancing algorithm in Embedded C. Tested and modified the *Docks* design to pass ESD compliance IEC61000-4-2 Class IV.

Keywords: Switching DC/DC converters, linear regulators, USB 2.0 high speed, USB 3.0 super speed, USB-C port configuration, USB PD, Qualcomm Quickcharge 3.0, USB to Ethernet bridge, RJ45, MDI/MII ports, Li-Po battery charging and protection, active multi-cell balancing, Cypress PSoC4, ESD protection.

## The Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA, USA

Student Expert-in-Residence – Wharton Entrepreneurship

Aug. 2016 - May 2017

Provided technical guidance to entrepreneurs in electronics design and manufacture of hardware products.

#### **PUBLICATION**

Gois P., Sreekantaswamy N., Basavaraju N., Rufino M., Sebastiao L., Botelho J., Gomes J., Pascoal A. (2016). "Development and Validation of Blue Ray, an Optical Modem for the MEDUSA class AUVs", IEEE 3rd Underwater Communications and Networking Conference, La Spezia, ITALY

#### **PAST INTERNSHIPS**

# Barn Owl LLC, Colorado Springs, CO, USA Product Development Lead

Instituto Superior Tecnico, Lisbon, PORTUGAL

Jun. 2016 - Aug. 2016

Research Student at DSOR (Dynamical Systems and Ocean Robotics) Laboratory

Jan. 2015 - Jun. 2015

California Institute of Technology, Pasadena, CA, USA

Research Fellow at LIGO (Laser Interferometer Gravitational wave Observatory)

Jun. 2014 - Aug. 2014

Keywords: Optical Fibers, RF Photodiodes, Transimpedance transfer function, Network Analyzer, GPIB over Wi-Fi, Python.

Indira Gandhi Centre for Atomic Research, Kalpakkam, INDIA

Summer Research Intern at NDE (Non Destructive Evaluation) Laboratory

May 2013 - Jul. 2013

# **EDUCATION**

University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA, USA

Master of Science in Engineering, Electrical Engineering, May 2017 GPA: 3.77 / 4.00

Birla Institute of Technology and Science, Pilani – Goa Campus, INDIA

Bachelor of Engineering (Hons.), Electrical and Electronics Engineering, May 2015 GPA: 8.89 / 10.00