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EDUCATION

UNIVERSITY OF WATERLOO

4A MECHATRONICS ENGINEERING Candidate for BASc Expected April 2021

SKILLS

LANGUAGES

- C++ C# Python
- Bash/Shell SQLite

PLATFORMS

- Linux Arduino
- Android RasPi

INTERESTS

PROFESSIONAL

- Unix Applications
- Embedded Dev.
- IoT Development

PERSONAL

- Rock climbing
- Music
- Hockey
- Carpentry

EXPERIENCE

FORD MOTOR COMPANY

SOFTWARE DEVELOPER

SPRING 2020

- Saved hardware team 20 human-hours per week by automating manual operations in workflow using C# applications
- Practiced OOP and SOLID design principles in development of Windows programs
- Analyze performance metrics from XML logs by scripting in Python to parse relevant information and display in digestible figures
- Adapted scope of position to rise above challenges imposed by the pandemic

BLACKBERRY - ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT LABS

SOFTWARE DEVELOPER

FALL 2019

- Wrote Unix programs in C++ to mimic malware behaviour for product software testing
- Accelerated testing workflow by implementing a containerized build system with Docker for a project targeting multiple Unix distributions
- Implemented an SQLite based cache in C++ for use in Android and iOS applications
- Improved coop onboarding experience by writing a "Hitchhiker's Guide to Unix Development", consulting team engineers and personal experience
- Received a BlackBerry Silver Star Award for exceptional performance

BLACKBERRY - FIRMWARE DEVELOPMENT TEAM

TEST AUTOMATION DEVELOPER

WINTER 2019

- Established a device performance tracking system by creating a test suite and database in Python and MySQL
- Redesigned a MySQL database to facilitate tracking internal device possession history
- Built a Python script to upload automated test results to TestRail
- Wrote automated test scripts in Python for device firmware and bootchain security
- Maintained a Jenkins server for test automation and investigated failed test cases

PROJECTS

SPACE INVADERS ON EMBEDDED SYSTEM

Fall 2018

Develop for the ARM Cortex M3 Keil LPC1768 Microcontroller in C

- Designed multiple threads to jointly handle game elements such as physics, logic, animation, and I/O
- Handled four I/O devices for player input and media output (potentiometer, push button, LCD display, LEDs)

"PASS THE BUTTER" ROBOT

Fall 2016

Create a robot that can search and retrieve butter on a kitchen table

- Implemented a searching algorithm to efficiently and accurately categorize items and reject non-butter instances
- Designed mechanical systems such as robot drivetrain, grabbing mechanism, and chassis

SKITTLE SORTER Spring 2016

Develop a robot to sort skittles based on colour

- Programmed an Arduino in C++ to receive and filter input data from an RGB colour sensor
- Designed power delivery and logic circuits for microcontroller interfacing with stepper motors
- Drafted and 3D printed skittle flow control components in Solidworks