

# Sachin Fernando

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## TECHNICAL COMPETENCIES

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programming (C++, Python, MATLAB), ROS/ROS2, software testing (GoogleTest, pytest), OS (Windows, Linux), CI/CD, Docker, simulation (CARLA, Driving Scenario Designer), libraries (scikit-learn, PyTorch, OpenCV)

## WORK EXPERIENCE

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### General Motors

Sept. 2023 – Present

*Software Integration Engineer*

*Markham, ON*

- Created and maintained virtual vehicle packages to test **controls**, **sensors**, and **actuators** for upcoming EV model lineup using in-house **simulation** and software build processes.
- Owned semi-active damping component releases across virtualization team. Leveraged **version control** workflow to **modularize** component and significantly reduce update time and effort.

### Stacktronic

May 2020 – Aug. 2020

*Simulation Engineering Intern*

*Kitchener, ON*

- Developed model and charging simulations for custom battery pack to determine energy efficiency under various pack configurations using **MATLAB** and **Simscape**.
- Reduced simulation setup process by automating generation of battery characteristics using **MATLAB** scripts.

### Dematic Ltd.

May – Aug. 2018, Jan. – Apr. 2019

*Controls Engineering Intern*

*Mississauga, ON*

- Supported senior engineer in **simulation** and commissioning of 100+ PLC-based conveyor unit systems.

## RESEARCH GROUP

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### University of Waterloo EcoCAR Team ([AVTC](#))

Jan. 2021 – Aug. 2023

*Connected and Automated Vehicle Software Lead*

*Waterloo, ON*

- Converted stock SUVs from manual control to level 2/3 autonomy by leading perception, controls and V2X algorithm development using **ROS** based architecture in **Python** and **C++**.
- Improved codebase quality through development of scalable testing framework. Automated tests cover unit, integration and closed loop system level testing using **CARLA**, **GoogleTest**, **pytest** and **Gitlab CI**.
- Achieved near 25% increase in tracking accuracy from previous year through algorithmic and calibration improvements. Sensor fusion involved **radar**, **camera**, and **lidar**.
- Led 15+ member subteam to meet all baseline development goals using **Agile** approach.

## EDUCATION

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### University of Waterloo

*Candidate for MASc, Mechatronics Engineering*

Aug. 2023

- Publication:** [A Structured Testing Framework for ADAS Software Development](#), IAVVC 2023

*BASc, Systems Design Engineering*

June 2021

- Presidents Scholarship of Distinction (95%+ admission average)

### Relevant Coursework

- Software Design and Architectures
- Computational Intelligence
- Autonomous Mobile Robots
- Multi-sensor Data Fusion