

Test Hardware Without Hardware

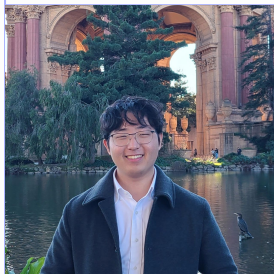
Introducing Simantic:

We are building software for
hardware engineers.

Software to test and validate
hardware, without the hardware.

All in simulation.

Meet The Founder



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Founder

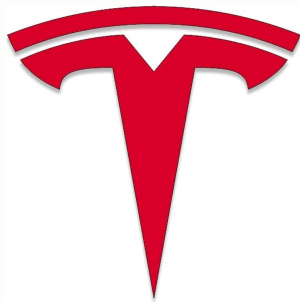
Background:

University of Waterloo, Computer Engineering



Simbe Robotics
Firmware Engineer

Developed battery, IMU
firmware for prototype robots



Tesla
Firmware Engineer

New Programs Engineering
Prototype vehicles and cool
features

Keys and Authentication
OTA update protocol design for
robotaxis



Rapyuta Robotics
Firmware Engineer

NVIDIA Jetson integration and
simulation



Ericsson
ML Software Developer

ML model development and
training for early failure
detection

Challenges in Hardware Engineering



01

Hardware Design is Expensive

Designing and testing hardware is expensive. Mistakes in hardware design can cost thousands in material and labour costs.



02

Hardware Design is Lagging

Unlike the rise of AI tools in the software industry, innovation in hardware engineering is lacking in comparison.



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Hardware Design is Inaccessible

Due to the cost associated with hardware design, individuals and small teams have difficulty breaking into the industry.

WHAT SIMANTIC DOES

01

Run Firmware on Virtual Processors

Ensure that your board does exactly what you want it to, by running code on a virtual model of the processor, before it even reaches manufacturing.

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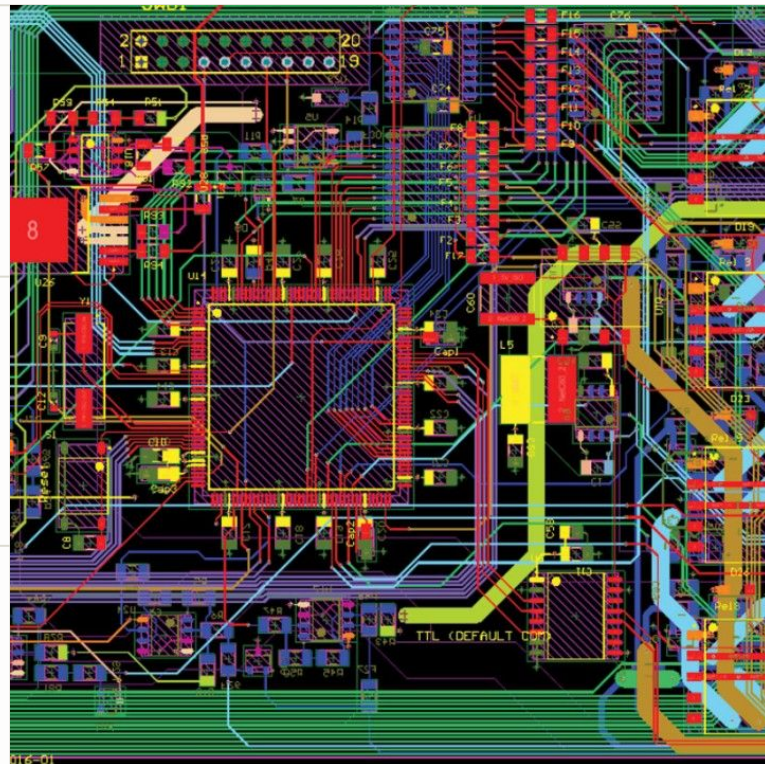
Fully Simulate the PCB Behavior

Simulate the electrical signal behavior on your board as it interacts with the virtual processor. Physics and mathematics based models to ensure that signal integrity and power needs are met.

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AI Assisted Design and Code Generation

Use AI to help design your PCB, and generate code that goes hand-in-hand with each other.



Product Intro: CI/CD for Hardware + Firmware

01 Dynamic Firmware Runtime Analysis

Test firmware in virtual hardware without the hardware.

Detect errors that static analysis misses, such as multithreading, memory, and runtime performance.

02 Supporting CPU Models and Architectures

Support for most modern instruction sets (ARM, RISC-V, x86, Xtensa, etc.).

Growing list of supported CPU models and peripheral support.

Deterministic code execution in simulation, matches physical hardware behavior.

03 Easy Development Workflow Integration

Testing code is as simple as pushing to a Github repository.

View test results and performance benchmarks in a web UI, with detailed explanations for detected issues, through CPU trace analysis.



```
void StartUartTask(void *argument)
{
    /* USER CODE BEGIN StartUartTask */
    const char *message = "Hello from FreeRTOS task! Uptime: ";
    const char *units = " seconds\r\n";
    char buffer[64];
    uint32_t counter = 0;

    /* Infinite loop */
    for(;;)
    {
        /* Prepare the message with counter */
        strcpy(buffer, message);

        /* Convert counter to string and append */
        char counterStr[16];
        sprintf(counterStr, "%lu", counter);
        strcat(buffer, counterStr);
        strcat(buffer, units);

        /* Send the message over UART */
        HAL_UART_Transmit(&huart1, (uint8_t*)buffer, strlen(buffer), 1000);
    }
}
```

```
08001064 <StartUartTask>:
8001064: b580      push    {r7, lr}
8001066: b09a      sub     sp, #104 @ 0x68
8001068: af00      add     r7, sp, #0
800106a: 6078      str     r0, [r7, #4]
800106c: 4b1b      ldr     r3, [pc, #108] @ (80010dc <StartUartTask+0x78>)
800106e: 663b      str     r3, [r7, #96] @ 0x60
8001070: 4b1b      ldr     r3, [pc, #108] @ (80010e0 <StartUartTask+0x7c>)]
8001072: 65fb      str     r3, [r7, #92] @ 0x5c
8001074: 2300      movs    r3, #0
8001076: 667b      str     r3, [r7, #100] @ 0x64
8001078: f107 031c add.w    r3, r7, #28
800107c: 6e39      ldr     r1, [r7, #96] @ 0x60
800107e: 4618      mov     r0, r3
8001080: f004 fb08 bl      8005694 <strcpy>
8001084: f107 030c add.w    r3, r7, #12
8001088: 6e7a      ldr     r2, [r7, #100] @ 0x64
```

Product Intro: PCB Software Development Kit

01 Interact with your PCB Design in Code

We are developing a compiler for your PCB project files.

Whether you design with Altium, KiCad, or another CAD tool, our PCB compiler will turn your design into software libraries, which can be imported into modern programming languages.

```
def test_overvoltage_transience(board: PCBObject):  
    board.reset()  
    board.input1.set_voltage(10, "impulse")  
    board.c1.measure_current(t = 100, interval = 1)  
    board.h1.measure_current(t = 100, interval = 1)
```

02 Unit Tests for Hardware

Perform advanced industry-standard tests on your PCB designs in software, without waiting for a physical prototype.

Tests like power/signal integrity tests, transient analysis, and current measurements all require highly specialized and expensive tool. With Simantic, it's just a function call away.

```
def setup_machine(machine_name):  
    machine1 = emu.add_mach(machine_name)  
    machine1.load_repl(str(Path("example.repl").resolve()))  
    machine1.load_elf(str("example.elf"))  
  
    all_uarts = get_all_uarts(machine1)  
    if len(all_uarts) > 0:  
        for uart, uart_name in all_uarts:  
            uart.CharReceived += create_callback(uart, f"{machine_name}_{uart_name}")
```

03 Firmware Co-Simulation

Test your PCB by running the firmware simulation to test interactions between the CPU and board.

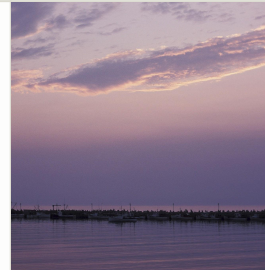
Reduce design iteration and validation downtime by not having to wait for a finalized hardware revision to test firmware.

<https://simantic.dev>

Simantic = Simulation + Semantics

Semantics Definition:

Semantics in the context of programming language theory and artificial intelligence (AI) involves the formal study of the meanings of programming constructs, beyond their syntactic form. It bridges the gap between the abstract, textual representation of programs (syntax) and their operational behaviors on a computing platform (semantics).



Thank you for listening. More to come soon.

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