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## Education

### 2010–2014 Doctor of Philosophy

Simon Fraser University, School of Computing Science (Burnaby, Canada)

Thesis: Real-Time Embedded Low-Frequency Load Disaggregation

Advisor: Fred Popowich

## 2007 – 2009 Bachelor of Technology

British Columbia Institute of Technology

School of Computing and Academic Studies (Burnaby, Canada)

Major: Computer Systems with a Data Communications Specialization

## 1993 – 1996 Diploma in Computer Technology

Selkirk College (Castlegar, Canada)

## 2009 Certificate, Electronics Technician

George Brown College (Toronto, Canada)

## **Professional Affiliation**

## submitted & Professional Engineer (PEng)

under review Association of Professional Engineers and Geoscientists of British Columbia

### 2013 – now Senior Member (smIEEE)

Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE)

Student Member and Member since 2008

#### 2010 – now Information Systems Professional (ISP)

Canadian Information Processing Society (CIPS)

## Research Experience

#### 2014 – now Postdoctoral Fellow & Sessional Instructor

Simon Fraser University, School of Computing Science (Burnaby, Canada) Advisors: Wolfgang Stuerzlinger (postdoc) & Anthony Dixon (instructor)

#### 2014 – now Research Associate

Simon Fraser University, School of Engineering Science (Burnaby, Canada)

### 2012 – 2013 Research Project and Capstone Project Mentor

British Columbia Institute of Technology, School of Energy (Burnaby, Canada) Electrical and Computer Engineering Technology Program

#### 2008 – 2015 Research Associate

British Columbia Institute of Technology, Applied Research (Burnaby, Canada)

## Teaching Experience

### Fall 2014, Introduction to the Internet and the World Wide Web (CMPT 165)

Spring 2015 Simon Fraser University, School of Computing Science Students each semester: in-class 200, dist ed 225. TAs: 6.
Instructor rating by students: A/71%, B/26%, C/3%, D/0%, F/0%.

## Industry Experience (Software Engineering)

2012 Mitacs Accelerate Intern (4 months)

Awesense Wireless Inc. (Vancouver, Canada)

## 2011 – 2012 NSERC Engage Research Assistant (8 months)

Embedded Automation, Inc. (Surrey, Canada)

#### 2006 – 2008 Co-Founder & CTO

Vvvroom.com (Burnaby, Canada)

### 2006 Vancouver Office Software Development Manager

AbsolutePoker.com: ePrado Management, Inc. (Vancouver, Canada)

### 1996 – 2008 Principal & Senior Software Developer

Oponix Systems Inc. formerly Makonin Consulting Corp. (Burnaby, Canada) Clients incl. Telus Mobility, Vancouver Costal Health, Sierra Wireless, Safeway Canada, Quartech Systems, Engineering Central, ApexMail, OAN Services

## Scholarships, Awards & Grants

- 2015 IEEE Vancouver Section Leadership and Contribution Award Initiative
- 2012, 2014 SFU GSS Professional Development Grant
  - 2014 SFU Faculty of Applied Science (FAS) Graduate Fellowship (PhD)
- 2012, 2014 Ebco/Eppich Graduate Scholarships in Intelligent Systems
- 2013, 2013 SFU Travel & Minor Research Award
  - 2013 BCIT School of Energy Research Seed Funding Grant
  - 2013 SFU President's PhD Scholarship
- 2012, 2013 SFU Graduate Fellowship (PhD)
  - 2010 BCIT Vancouver 2010 Olympic Winter Games Legacy Fund Scholarship

## **Publications**

#### **BOOKS & THESES**

- Pacheco-Torgal, F., Rasmussen, E., Granqvist, C.-G., Ivanov, V., Kaklauskas, H. A., and **Makonin, S.**, editors (in draft). *Start-Up Creation: The Smart Eco-Efficient Built Environment*. Elsevier, ISBN: tbd.
- **Makonin, S.** (2014). *Real-Time Embedded Low-Frequency Load Disaggregation*. PhD thesis, Simon Fraser University, School of Computing Science.
- Bennett, D., **Makonin**, **S.**, Mayfield, V. W., Neustaedter, T., and Wrenn, M. R. (1996). *Visual C++* 5.0 *Developer's Guide*. Sams Publishing, ISBN: 0672310317.

#### **JOURNAL ARTICLES (PEER REVIEWED)**

- **Makonin, S.**, Ellert, B., Popowich, F., Bartram, L., Gill, B., and Bajic, I. V. (2015). AMPds: a residential house dataset of electrical, water, and gas consumption for 2 years between 2012–2014. *Scientific Data*, NPG, [in submission].
- **Makonin, S.**, Popowich, F., Bajic, I. V., Bartram, L., and Gill, B. (2015). Real-Time Nonintrusive Load Monitoring (NILM). *IEEE Transactions on Smart Grid*, [in submission].
- **Makonin, S.** and Popowich, F. (2014). Nonintrusive Load Monitoring (NILM) Performance Evaluation: A unified approach for accuracy reporting. *Energy Efficiency*, Springer, DOI: 10.1007/s12053-014-9306-2.

- **Makonin, S.**, Bartram, L., and Popowich, F. (2013). A Smarter Smart Home: Case Studies of Ambient Intelligence. *IEEE Pervasive Computing*, 12(1):58–66.
- **Makonin, S.** and Popowich, F. (2012). Home Occupancy Agent: Occupancy and Sleep Detection. *GSTF Journal on Computing*, 2(1):182–186.

#### **CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS (PEER REVIEWED)**

- Wallace, J., Richardson, K., Gill, B., and **Makonin, S.** (2015). Cognitive Radio Technology: System Evolution. In *Proceedings of the 4th International Conference On Wireless Networks and Embedded Systems (WECON)*.
- **Makonin, S.**, Bajic, I. V., and Popowich, F. (2014). Efficient Sparse Matrix Processing for Nonintrusive Load Monitoring (NILM). In *Proceedings of the 2nd International Workshop on Non-Intrusive Load Monitoring*.
- **Makonin, S.**, Guzman Flores, L., Gill, R., Clapp, R. A., Bartram, L., and Gill, B. (2014). A Consumer Bill of Rights for Energy Conservation. In *Proceedings of the 2014 IEEE Canada International Humanitarian Technology Conference (IHTC)*.
- Filsoof, R., Bodine, A., Gill, B., **Makonin, S.**, and Nicholson, R. (2014). Transmitting Patient Vitals Over a Reliable ZigBee Mesh Network. In *Proceedings of the 2014 IEEE Canada International Humanitarian Technology Conference (IHTC)*.
- Makonin, S., Sung, W., Dela Cruz, R., Yarrow, B., Gill, B., Popowich, F., and Bajic, I. V. (2013). Inspiring Energy Conservation Through Open Source Metering Hardware and Embedded Real-Time Load Disaggregation. In *Proceedings of the 5th IEEE PES Asia-Pacific Power and Energy Engineering Conference (APPEEC)*.
- **Makonin, S.**, Popowich, F., Bartram, L., Gill, B., and Bajic, I. V. (2013). AMPds: A Public Dataset for Load Disaggregation and Eco-Feedback Research. In *Proceedings of the 2013 IEEE Electrical Power and Energy Conference (EPEC)*.
- **Makonin, S.**, Popowich, F., Moon, T., and Gill, B. (2013). Inspiring Energy Conservation Through Open Source Power Monitoring and In-Home Display. In *Proceedings of the 2013 IEEE Power and Energy Society General Meeting*.
- **Makonin, S.**, Popowich, F., and Gill, B. (2013). The Cognitive Power Meter: Looking Beyond the Smart Meter. In *Proceedings of the 2013 26th Annual IEEE Canadian Conference on Electrical and Computer Engineering (CCECE)*.
- **Makonin, S.**, Kashani, M., and Bartram, L. (2012). The Affect of Lifestyle Factors on Eco-Visualization Design. In *Proceedings of Computer Graphics International (CGI)*.

- **Makonin, S.**, Pasquier, P., and Bartram, L. (2011). Elements of Consumption: An abstract visualization of household consumption. In *Smart Graphics*, LNCS, 6815:194–198. Springer Berlin Heidelberg.
- **Makonin, S.** and Popowich, F. (2011). An intelligent agent for determining home occupancy using power monitors and light sensors. In *Toward Useful Services for Elderly and People with Disabilities*, LNCS, 6719:236–240. Springer Berlin Heidelberg.

#### PUBLISHED PUBLICLY AVAILABLE DATASETS

- **Makonin, S.** (2015). Almanac of Minutely Power dataset (AMPds). Harvard Dataverse, V2. DOI: <a href="http://dx.doi.org/10.7910/DVN/FIE0S4">http://dx.doi.org/10.7910/DVN/FIE0S4</a>. [to be released, previous releases 2013 and 2014 found at <a href="http://ampds.org">http://ampds.org</a>].
- **Makonin, S.** (2015). 2010 ZigBee Sensor Data Collected From a House (in Vancouver, Canada) Dataset. Harvard Dataverse, V1. DOI: <a href="http://dx.doi.org/10.7910/DVN/2K9FFE">http://dx.doi.org/10.7910/DVN/2K9FFE</a>.

#### POSTER SESSIONS

**Makonin, S.** (2014). Nonintrusive Load Monitoring (NILM): What an algorithm can tell you about your energy consumption. In *Poster Session at IEEE Vancouver Section Annual General Meeting*.

#### TECHNICAL REPORTS

- **Makonin, S.** (2012). A Visualization Prototype for Detecting Energy Losses on a Power Grid. Awesense Wireless Inc. Mitacs-Accelerate Internship.
- **Makonin, S.** (2012). Approaches to Non-Intrusive Load Monitoring (NILM) in the Home. PhD Depth Report, Simon Fraser University, School of Computing Science.
- **Makonin, S**. (2008). Map with Wheels. BTech Major Project Final Report. British Columbia Institute of Technology, School of Computing and Academic Studies.

## **Invited Talks**

#### INTERNATIONAL INVITATIONS

2015 From Socioeconomic Concerns to Standardizing Accuracy to Water NILM
The 2nd EU Nonintrusive Load Monitoring Workshop (London, UK), July 8.

#### **BCIT TALK INVITATIONS**

- 2014 Why There Is Nothing Smart about the Current Smart Home & Smart Meter BCIT, School of Construction and the Environment, Building Sciences Masters Program (Burnaby, Canada), Feb 18.
- 2014 Using Computing and Engineering to Tackle Sustainability Problems with Energy Consumption

BCIT, School of Energy (Burnaby, Canada), Feb 21.

#### SFU TALK INVITATIONS

### 2013 Load Disaggregation For Energy Conservation

Our Own CMPT 120 Mini-Conference: Research in Computing Science, Sep 27.

## 2013 Lightning Talks: Sustainability

SFU Research Commons, July 18.

Radio broadcast: CJSF on July 25th at 2:30pm, Sustainable Futures Program.

## 2013 The Cognitive Power Meter, Not The Smart Meter

SFU Computing Science GSA Scientific Colloquium, June 19.

#### 2010 An Introduction to the Smart Grid

SFU COGS 300 / CMPT 417 "Intelligent Systems" Course Lecture, April 8.

## Service To Profession

## CONFERENCE/WORKSHOP ORGANIZING, CHAIRING & HOSTING

#### 2014 – now Local Arrangements Chair

2016 IEEE World Congress on Computational Intelligence (WCCI)

Vancouver, Canada. July 25 – 29, 2016

#### 2015 Posters and PhD Track Chair

Int. Conf. on Big Data and Analytics for Smart Cities (BigDASC) Toronto, Canada. October 13, 2015

### 2015 Organizer and Host

IEEE Vancouver Windows 10 Hackathon

Burnaby, Canada. May 16 – 17, 2015, 28-hours

### 2014 Organizer and Host

IEEE Vancouver Kinect and Structure Sensor Hackathon Burnaby, Canada. November 8 – 9, 2014, 28-hours

#### 2014 Web Co-Chair

IEEE 15th Int. Conf. on High Performance Switching and Routing (HPSR) Vancouver, Canada. July 1-4, 2014

### **INVITED JOURNAL REVIEWER**

- 2015 IEEE Transactions on Smart Grid [regular reviewer, 1 manuscript/month]
- 2014 2015 IEEE Transactions on Mobile Computing [periodic reviewer]
  - 2013 Springer's Energy Efficiency Journal [periodic reviewer]

#### TECHNICAL PROGRAM COMMITTEE MEMBER

- 2011 2015 Int. Conf. on Ubiquitous Computing and Ambient Intelligence (UCAmI) [regular, yearly TPC member]
  - 2015 Int. Conf. on Big Data and Analytics for Smart Cities (BigDASC)
  - 2015 First IEEE Workshop on Pervasive Energy Services (PerEnergy)
  - 2012 2012 IEEE International Conference on Power and Energy (PECON).

#### **EXTERNAL CONFERENCE REVIEWER**

2011, 2013, Canadian Conference on Artificial Intelligence (Canadian AI) 2015

#### **GRANTING AGENCY REVIEWER**

2014 Mitacs Accelerate Grant Proposal External Reviewer

## Volunteer Work

- 2014 now Chair, IEEE Vancouver Joint Computing Chapter
- 2014 now Leader & Organizer, IEEE/SFU Internet of Things (IoT) Club
- 2013 now Co-Chair & Treasurer, Westside Montessori Academy PAC
- 2012 2014 Membership Development Chair, IEEE Vancouver Section