# TRISTAN VENTURA

#### Electrical & Computer Engineer · Software Developer

## **EDUCATION**

#### Honors College of Rutgers University - New Brunswick

Sept. 15 to Jan. 19

BS Electrical and Computer Engineering 2019

GPA: 3.7

Current Coursework: Digital System Design, Machine Learning, Wireless Communication Systems, Linear Optimization, Mobile App Development

Relevant Coursework: Digital Signal Processing, Computer Architecture, Electronic Devices, Digital Electronics, Computer Architecture, Programming Methodology, Digital Logic Design, Differential Equations

### **EXPERIENCE**

## AdhereTech Electrical Engineering Intern

New York City June 18 to Sept. 18

- Built a piece of customized, automated test equipment to collect large amounts of data and characterize new electromagnetic sensor patterns for use in the next generation Pill Bottle
- Created and wrote firmware for the control module of the test equipment using an Arduino, two stepper motor drivers, reed switch, temperature, & limit switch sensor interfaces. Additionally designed & built a custom Arduino shield PCB using PCB drafting software
- Developed a desktop application from scratch using C# & WPF to collect, store, and analyze thousands of
  entries of sensor data as well as interface with the test equipment and device under test via UART serial
  communication
- Designed, built, and debugged hardware issues on electromagnetic sensor board PCBs
- Iteratively designed a new electromagnetic sensor pattern in 6 weeks that performed 1.5x better than legacy rendition
- Delivered weekly presentations to business & engineering teams regarding progress and findings

## RFInD Chief Technical Officer & Co-Founder

New Brunswick, NJ Apr. 16 to Jan. 18

- Lead product development and engineering teams in creating an RFID-based real time location tracking system used by hospitals and disaster triage teams
- Designed and animated schematics and cinematic presentations using Blender, AutoCAD, and SketchUp
- Raised over \$10,000 through competition placement, pre-seed investors, and university funding
- Presented RFInD as a Commitment to Action at the 2017 Clinton Global Initiative University conference.

#### National Science Foundation - NJIT site Undergraduate EE Researcher/Developer

Newark, NJ May 17 to Aug. 17

- Developed a cross-platform mobile application for use in educational demonstrations of graphical paraxial ray-tracing in geometric optics in C# using the Unity Game Engine
- Allowed educators to provide students with more interactive methods of learning to supplement existing curriculums
- Helped improve university-level physics curriculum by collecting, storing, and analyzing user performance and progress data
- Presented application at the ASEE Annual Conference in 2018

## **PROJECTS**

### Analog Audio "Vinylizer"

Current

Designed and built a device that takes an audio signal and, using a number of passive filters, alters the spectrum of the signal in order to emulate the sound of vintage record players. The signal was then played through a small speaker and passively amplified using a horn.

 Skills/Softwares: MATLAB, PSpice, Spectral Analysis, Analog Filter Design, Circuit Design & Assembly, Soldering, Woodworking

#### **Facial Recognition Vending Machine**

Engineered the hardware and firmware for a vending machine that can identify users based on their face, check an online profile for a user's candy preference, then automatically dispense the preferred candy. Demoed the project at HackRU.

• Skills/Softwares: C/C++, Arduino Platform, Hardware Design, Motor Control

#### LoRa-enabled Notifier Keychain (in progress)

Prototyping a short range, wireless notifier keychain using the Arduino platform (and later an ARM Cortex-M3 MCU) and a LoRa module to avoid using cellular networks. Activating the device pings a paired, identical, device which responds by lighting up and vibrating.

Skills/Softwares: C/C++, Arduino platform, TrueSTUDIO, AutoCAD, KiCAD

## CONTACT

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### **SKILLS**

#### **ELECTRICAL/COMPUTER ENGINEERING**

- Schematic Capture
- Electronics Prototyping
- · Circuit Design & Analysis
- PCB Design & Assembly
- Basic SystemVerilog
- · Through Hole & Surface Mount Soldering
- · Basic Filter Design, Sampling
- · Spectral Analysis
- UART Communication
- Microcontrollers
- FPGAs
- Use of function generators, oscilloscopes, multi-meters, etc

#### PROGRAMMING/DEVELOPMENT

- C/C++
- Python
- C#
- XAML
- WPF, Windows Desktop Development
- MATLAB
- Java
- Javascript
- MIPS Architecture
- Android App Development
- Git, Agile

#### TOOLS/SOFTWARES

- PSpice/LTSpice
- KiCAD, Easy EDA
- Visual Studio, Arduino IDE
- IntelliJ, Android Studio
- Ouartus II
- AutoCAD
- Doxygen

## **AWARDS**

Clinton Global Initiative-University (CGI U) Or CGI U Alum

Invited by the Clinton Global Initiative - University to speak and present work on an RFID-based RTLS used in optimizing patient treatment in triage environments as a commitment to action.

American Society for Engineering Education June 18
ASEE Published Author

Developed a mobile application and wrote a paper based on educational demonstrations of graphical paraxial ray-tracing in geometric optics. The application and paper were published and presented in the ASEE Annual Conference.

NJ Tech Council Innovation Video Competition - 2nd Place

Created 3D animations in Blender showcasing the patient tracking system being developed by RFInD for use in a video competition.

Nov. 16