

# UZAIR ASHFAQ

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## About Me

Master's student in Embedded Systems Security at Grenoble INP–Esisar, focused on embedded firmware and connected devices. Experienced with MCU programming (STM32/PIC/ESP32), RTOS-based development, RTL design and verification, and PCB design, supporting embedded bring-up and system integration across common communication protocols. Seeking a 6-month internship starting Feb–Mar 2026 in embedded firmware or secure embedded system design.

## Education

<b>International Master in Embedded Systems Security (IMESS)</b> Grenoble INP – Esisar, Université Grenoble Alpes, Valence, France	Sep 2025 – Present
<b>BS in Electrical (Electronics) Engineering</b> COMSATS University Islamabad, Pakistan	Sep 2020 – Aug 2024

## Experience

<b>Embedded Systems Engineer – Lean Automation</b> Abbottabad, Pakistan	Sep 2024 – Aug 2025
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Developed embedded C firmware for STM32/PIC microcontrollers, integrating UART/I<sup>2</sup>C communication, timers, and interrupt-driven control loops for industrial automation, improving communication reliability and system responsiveness.</li><li>Designed and revised 4-layer PCBs in Altium Designer, improving signal integrity and reducing bench-level debugging during bring-up.</li></ul>	
<b>Artificial Intelligence Intern (Remote) – Code Alpha</b> Remote	Aug 2024 – Sep 2024

## Technical Skills

**Programming Languages:** C, C++, Python, ARM Assembly, VHDL, Verilog

**Microcontrollers & Platforms:** STM32, PIC18F, AVR, ESP32, Raspberry Pi, Zybo Z7-10, Basys-3 FPGA

**Communication Protocols:** UART, SPI, I<sup>2</sup>C, CAN, BLE

**Operating Systems:** Bare-metal, FreeRTOS, Embedded Linux (basic)

**Development Tools:** Xilinx Vivado/Vitis, STM32CubeIDE, Altium Designer, MATLAB/Simulink, Git/GitHub

## Projects

### Flexural Testing Machine (Control PCB + Firmware)

- Designed a 4-layer Altium control PCB and developed STM32 firmware to automate catheter kink testing: stepper/servo motion control, load-cell force acquisition, and real-time results display via touch HMI with safety interlocks.
- Tools:* Altium Designer, STM32 (Embedded C), Timers/PWM, I<sup>2</sup>C (Load Cell ADC), UART (DWIN HMI), USB-UART

### Industrial Radio (Solar-Powered Wireless AC Current Monitor)

- Developed a solar-powered wireless AC current monitoring device using a Rogowski coil interface and ESP32, transmitting measured current data over LoRa (optional GSM) for remote monitoring in harsh industrial environments.
- Tools:* Altium Designer, ESP32, Analog Front-End (Integrator), LoRa/RSF95 (SPI), Power Management (Solar/LiPo), UART (GSM/GPS)

### Industrial Sensor Data Logger (STM32)

- Built a simple STM32 data logger that samples sensors via ADC/I<sup>2</sup>C on a timer schedule, timestamps readings, and streams data over UART or stores it locally, using interrupts for reliable non-blocking acquisition.
- Tools:* STM32CubeIDE, Embedded C, ADC, I<sup>2</sup>C, UART, Timers, Interrupts

## Additional Information

**Languages:** English (Professional Working Proficiency), French (Basic Proficiency)

**Availability:** 5–6 month internship starting February/March 2026; open to relocation within France.