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# Fahim Abdullah

## Education

### University of Alberta

Edmonton, AB

BSc. in Chemical Engineering (Computer Process Control)

2014 – 2018

Cumulative Grade Point Average: **4.0/4.0**      Engineering Graduation Average: **4.0/4.0**

**A+** in Process Analysis, Fluid Mechanics, Thermodynamics I & II, Reactor Analysis I & II, Separation Processes, Heat & Mass Transfer, Process Data Analysis, Digital Signal Processing, Intermediate Process Control, Materials Science, Financial Management, Intermediate Microeconomics, Calculus I & II, Statistics

**A** in Engineering Design, Fundamentals of Oil Sands, English Writing Essentials, Linear Algebra

Scholarships: Alexander Archibald M. Patton Memorial, Talisman Engineering Undergraduate, Faculty of Engineering Academic Excellence, Roland Stansfield Young Memorial Academic Excellence

## Work Experience

### Simulation Team Lead in Engineering Design Courses

University of Alberta, Edmonton, AB

Sep 2017 – Apr 2018

- Biogas Upgrading (won first place in poster competition and letter grade of A):
  - developed process to upgrade raw biogas generated from coal mines to 97 v/v% pure methane
  - simulated process of 40+ streams in VMGSim and reproduced a neater version for the PFD on Visio
  - used case studies and considered multiple recycle streams to heavily optimize process
- SAGD integration with a GTL facility (received letter grade of A):
  - developed process for how a modular GTL facility could be integrated with a SAGD facility
  - simulated process of 100+ streams in VMGSim using three different thermodynamic models for each part of the process and for each phase with optimized interaction parameters from literature
  - used case studies, multiple recycle streams, and heat integration to heavily optimize process
  - assisted team in reactor and heat exchanger design calculations, literature review, and final proof reading

### Thermodynamics Research Assistant under Dr. Janet A.W. Elliott

University of Alberta, Edmonton, AB

Sep 2017 – Apr 2018

- developed possible geometric configurations for an oil droplet and air bubble coming into contact in water
- derived governing equations for each configuration based on equilibrium and geometric constraints
- wrote MATLAB code to solve system of equations derived and plot results to visualize states
- overcame numerical challenges in solving the system of equations
- developed organized report-writing skills and improve technical writing by publishing a paper on the research

### Process Control/Data Analytics Research Assistant under Dr. Jinfeng Liu

University of Alberta, Edmonton, AB

May – Aug 2017

- developed classifier to identify acceptable and unacceptable models to predict patients' blood Haemoglobin levels after drug dosage using linear discriminant analysis
- used principal component analysis to identify most significant input factors affecting output and reduce required model complexity
- fine-tuned classifier parameters based on classified training set and physical understanding of parameters
- exposed to designing constrained ARX models by solving a mixed-integer nonlinear programming problem

### **Process Control Research Assistant under Dr. Stevan Dubljevic**

*University of Alberta, Edmonton, AB*

*May – Aug 2017*

- developed Michaelis–Menten model for an organic waste decomposition process in a lab scale to predict biomass composition from core temperature measurement
- designed experimental setup and develop protocol for data collection
- reproduced SolidWorks® designs for compost bins from images
- wrote detailed progress report at the end for work to be carried over with ease by the next person
- *Separate Project*: acquired basic knowledge of Swift® and initiate development of iOS application to plot temperature profiles for heat exchangers from the solution of a boundary value problem using Xcode®

### **Mineral Processing Research Assistant under Dr. Qingxia Liu**

*University of Alberta, Edmonton, AB*

*Jan – Apr 2017*

- investigated the generation of micron/submicron size bubbles by acoustic cavitation
- improved existing experimental and data collection protocols by thinking outside the box
- wrote MATLAB code to operate equipment and automate data collection
- learned and adhered to laboratory safety regulations

### **Bitumen Upgrading Research Assistant under Dr. William C. McCaffrey**

*University of Alberta, Edmonton, AB*

*Nov – Dec 2016*

- controlled morphology of iron nanocatalysts generated by the decomposition of iron naphthenate
- learned about the various blends of crude oil and the pipeline specifications to transport it
- simulated reactions using VMGSim (process simulator) to ensure safe reaction procedures
- concisely presented findings of work completed to a class of professors and graduate students
- worked under rigorous deadlines and schedules due to a delayed start while attending a full course load

### **High School Mathematics Teacher**

*Bangladesh International School, Dammam, Saudi Arabia*

*September 2013 – August 2014*

- taught thirty classes weekly to 7th and 8th grade students
- prepared assignments every week to assess students and improve performance
- arranged and supervised the educational field trip for 100+ students
- appointed class teacher after a month based on outstanding performance

## **Computer Skills**

**Microsoft:** Proficient in Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Access, Visio, Outlook, Project

**Programming:** MATLAB, Python, R, VBA, Swift

**Simulators:** Proficient in VMGSim & Simulink

**Mathematics:** Proficient in MATLAB and Mathematica

**Graphics:** L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X, Adobe Photoshop and Illustrator

**Statistics:** Excel, Python, R, SPSS, Minitab

## **Volunteer Activities**

*Treasurer of the Muslim Students' Association at the University of Alberta*

*2016 – 2018*

*Secretary and Document Controller of the MCE Outreach Committee*

*2015 – 2018*

## **Other Qualifications and Training**

Valid Driver's License, WHMIS Training, IPEIA Pipeline Codes Course, Alberta Construction Safety Course, University of Alberta Laboratory Safety Course, University of Alberta Chemical Safety Course