Varrick Lo

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Skills

Technical Languages: C, C++, Python, MATLAB, SystemVerilog, x86 Assembly, ARM Assembly, Bash, VBA, SQL Software: Altium Designer, Fusion 360, SolidWorks, Ansys HFSS, LTspice, Excel, Git, LLDB, LaTeX, Linux, FreeBSD Hardware: Vector Network Analyser, Spectrum Analyser, DE1-SoC, Arduino, ESP32, I2C, Oscilloscope Languages: English, Cantonese, Mandarin (limited proficiency)

Education

The University of British Columbia Bachelor of Applied Science in Electrical Engineering Co-op program

Langara College

Certificate in Arts and Science (Engineering) GPA: 3.85

Projects

ALEASAT, UBC Orbit Satellite Design Team

- Measured S-parameters, third-order intermodulation distortion (IMD3), and 1 dB compression point (OP1dB) of the GRF5504 power amplifier (PA) to determine its linear range for satellite-to-ground communication
- Conducted detailed simulations of spacecraft antenna using Ansys HFSS to determine theoretical antenna gain, analyse radiation patterns, and verify compliance with link budget requirements

Simple RISC Processor

• Architected and implemented a Turing-complete, 5-stage, non-pipelined RISC processor in SystemVerilog, synthesised onto the DE1-SoC development board, achieving the 3rd fastest performance in a class of 350 students

FM Radio Receiver

• Utilised Altium Designer to design schematics for a radio receiver circuit, incorporating an LC oscillator circuit to select FM signals and an LM386 audio amplifier circuit to boost volume

Quadcopter

- Implemented a Kalman filter in Arduino C code to combat gyroscopic drift caused by sensor noise
- Interfaced with the MPU-6050 inertial measurement unit (IMU) by communicating using I2C
- Designed and developed a prototype in Fusion 360, incorporating an Arduino, brushless motors, electronic speed controllers, and a lithium polymer battery

Simple OS Bootloader

• Implemented a bootloader in x86 assembly, utilising QEMU and LLDB for debugging

Work Experience

Pack Buildings

Construction Management Intern

- Organised 10 spreadsheets of financial data in Excel, enhancing clarity for project investors
- Participated in meetings with project investors and construction team, ensuring investor priorities were addressed

Volunteer Experience

Lingyen Mountain Temple

Teaching Assistant

- Delegated tasks to a group of around 40 youth volunteers, resulting in approximately a 30% increase in efficiency
- Authored 16 pages of technical documents outlining job procedures, improving workflow and reducing errors

Buddhist Youth

• Ensured a satisfactory experience for approximately 1000 weekly visitors through serving meals and maintaining a clean environment

2024 September-2028 April

2023 September-2024 April

2024 September-Present

2022 JANUARY-2022 MAY

Richmond, BC 2024 July-2024 August



2017 April-2023 March

2024 November-2024 December

2024 July-2024 August

2024 April-Present