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EDUCATION

Master of Science, Electrical, Computer and Energy Engineering (Embedded Systems and Internet of Things)

GPA - 3.6 / 4.0University of Colorado Boulder, Boulder, CO

• Major Coursework: Advanced Embedded Software Development, Embedded System Design, IOT Embedded Firmware

Bachelor of Engineering, Electronics and Communication Engineering

Aug 2017 - Sept 2021

Aug 2022 - May 2024

Visvesvaraya Technological University, Bangalore, India

GPA - 3.8/4.0

· Major Coursework: Embedded System Design, Logic Design, Programming in C, Digital Signal Processing

WORK EXPERIENCE

University of Colorado Boulder, CO

Graduate Student Assistant of Advanced Embedded Software Design

Dec 2023 - Present

- Configuring and building the Linux kernel from source as well as using Buildroot and Yocto frameworks and deploying to QEMU and physical targets.
- Using Linux System Programming concepts such as File I/O, Threading, Signals, IPC, network sockets and timing related POSIX APIs and write TCP/IP socket servers.
- Created a custom Linux Device Driver for a Camera input through debugging, timing analysis and memory allocation for buffering images in kernel space.
- Debugging concurrent software applications with command line GDB, Valgrind, and other software tools for debug and profiling.

Analog Devices, Dallas, Texas

Microcontrollers Intern. SDK Team May 2023 - Aug 2023

- Restructured the Command Line interface for all examples in the MAX32xxx and MAX78xxx series SDK, while receiving Asynchronous UART transactions from the terminal, performing Lexical Analysis and using a command table to store function pointers and strings.
- Wrote the driver code for the MAX31825 temperature sensor interfaced with 1-wire serial protocol with CRC check.
- Implemented a Bluetooth beaconing model with AES encryption broadcasting through BLE advertising packets using RF Control Software.
- Created a 1-wire Async Transaction function using the One wire Master function, which is now added as a new feature in the Maxim SDK.
- Designed an interactive application with the following features: set breakpoint, get memory dump and profiling data.

Trane Technologies Bangalore, India

Embedded Software Engineer Jul 2021 - Jul 2022

- Programmed controls application of electric refrigeration units integrated on battery electric chassis via electric power takeoff.
- Performed Model Code Integration, Data Base Generation and CAN J1939 connection with MCU and Inverter-Converter.

TECHNICAL SKILLS

- Software Skills: Embedded Linux | Firmware | System Software | Device drivers | Shell scripting | Yocto | Buildroot | Real-Time Embedded Systems |
- Processor Families: TI C2000 | ARM Cortex-M4F | ARM Cortex-M3 | 8051 | ARM Cortex-M0+ | ARM Cortex-A57 |
- Protocols and peripherals: | I2C | SPI | UART | Bluetooth Low Energy (BLE) | 1-Wire | TCP/IP | DMA | ADC | DAC | RTC | JTAG | SWD | RS-232 |
- Software Tools: Quartus | ModelSim | Jenkins | Git | SCM | Libero | Docker | Cheddar |
- Programming Languages: C | C++ | Python | x86 assembly | Bash | Make | Node.js |
- Hardware Debugging Tools: Logic Analyzer | Oscilloscopes | Protocol Analyzer | Waveform Generator | Spectrum Analyzer | Multimeter |

PROJECTS

Real-Time Scheduling Optimization on Jetson Nano

Jan - Feb 2024

- Developed a synthetic load generator for the Jetson Nano Board, leveraging Linux 4 Tegra OS, to evaluate and compare the performance of leading scheduling policies (Rate Monotonic, Deadline Monotonic, Earliest Deadline First, and Least Laxity First) using precise time measurements clock gettime(Wall clock and NTP clock).
- Implemented thread management using pthreads, binary semaphores, and mutexes, and enhanced task precision with CPU core affinity adjustments.
- Conducted feasibility tests and simulations using the Cheddar tool, validating theoretical models against empirical data to identify optimal scheduling approaches.

NanoVision AI

- Executed a sophisticated AI and computer vision project using NVIDIA Jetson Nano 2GB Devkit, Yocto BSP, and NVIDIA's NGC Docker container registry, focusing on people count analytics in a defined area. The project entailed configuring a Yocto-based OS image, enhancing it for DeepStream AI capabilities, and deploying the image on Jetson Nano hardware.
- Developed and tested **Docker containers** for Al applications and integrated a **camera device driver**. Incorporated a feature to track the **number of people** crossing a virtual line, updating both cumulative and per-frame counts within the object metadata.
- Enabled output steaming of this data using Real-Time Streaming Protocol (RTSP).

Incremental 8051 board Jan - Apr 2023

- Built an 8051-development board using KiCad for PCB Design and utilized the AT89C51RC2 chip with a 32KB NVSRAM to increase the storage.
- Interfaced an EEPROM using I2C bit-banging by developing drivers and integrated a SPI-based DAC module to generate various analog waveforms.
- Allocated memory for different Segments such as Bootloader, Code segment, data segment, BSS segment, heap, and stack in the NVSRAM.