

Summary

- 5.5 years of experience in software and hardware engineering
- Well-versed in device bringup, driver development, and debugging (GDB, WinDbg)
- Proficient in secured and obfuscated computer networking (SSL, Tor, Pluggable Transports)
- Completed masters level courses in security, cryptography, and quantum information

Languages

- C/C++ Java Python SQL
- VHDL Verilog SystemVerilog
- SpinalHDL ARM ASM Bash

Education

Candidate for Bachelor of **Applied Science - Honours Computer Engineering**

University of Waterloo (Expected Completion May 2020) GPA of 3.87/4.0, Dean's **Honours Recipient**

Exchange Program - Masters Computer Engineering

Delft University of Technology (Sep 2018 - Jan 2019) Average of 8.83 out of 10

Courses

- Digital Hardware Systems
- Embedded Software
- Modern Computer Architectures
- Operating Systems
- Quantum Information
- Quantum Communication and Cryptography
- Security and Cryptography

Experience

Microsoft Corporation

Silicon Verification Engineering Intern

Aug 2019 - Present Sunnyvale, CA, USA

- Took ownership of verification efforts for a hardware IP block used to characterize the display projection behaviour of the HoloLens AR system
- Employing formal verification methodologies with SystemVerilog & UVM to bring test coverage of display hardware components up to 100%

NVIDIA Corporation

Autonomous Vehicles Engineering Intern

Feb 2019 - Apr 2019 Holmdel, NJ, USA

• Implemented a new Extract-Transform-Load (ETL) pipeline in C++/Python for analyzing datasets used for training and testing the PilotNet neural network-based path perception system, reducing computation time from tens of hours to minutes

NVIDIA Corporation

Camera Systems Software Engineering Intern

May 2018 - Aug 2018 Santa Clara, CA, USA

- Reduced the CPU load of the automotive camera stack by ~10% over 8 cores via optimizing system calls & context switches between user mode libraries, kernel mode drivers, and embedded firmware written in C/C++
- Refactored the camera code base for MISRA C compliance and safety certification

Advanced Micro Devices (AMD) Inc.

Aug 2017 - Dec 2017 Markham, ON, Canada

Display Software Engineering Intern

- Optimized the hardware programming sequences in the C/C++ display driver for Linux & Windows, reducing register programming time by up to 65%
- Upstreamed and merged 27 commits into the mainline Linux kernel

TunnelBear Inc.

May 2016 - Apr 2018

Backend/Android Developer

Toronto, ON, Canada

 Maintained the VPN traffic obfuscation infrastructure, created a new set of more efficient REST APIs, and overhauled all aspects of the TunnelBear Android VPN app

Projects & Research

minRISC: Free and Open Platform Security

May 2019 – Present

University of Waterloo Capstone Project

 RISC-V based SoC that that allows applications to run in trusted enclaves, ensuring memory contents are encrypted & authenticated to protect against physical attacks

Hardware Accelerated Statistical Analysis of NLFSRs

May 2019 - Aug 2019

University of Waterloo Undergraduate Research Project

• Designed a digital circuit network that accelerates the analysis of various non-linear feedback shift registers for use as secure pseudorandom number generators

The CyanogenMod & OmniROM Projects

Jun 2012 – May 2016

Popular third-party aftermarket Android OS distributions

• Maintained the kernels, HALs, framework, and device trees for a variety of mobile devices, providing new versions of Android long after manufacturer support ended



Recommendations

Andrew quickly came up to speed with our products and development process. He consistently delivered on the tasks assigned, going beyond his assigned task, investigating issues found while working on his tasks, and fixing issues that were introduced by members of the team. Andrew consistently delivered high quality software, and clearly communicated with other members of the team during the development process, taking direction and input very well, and discussing issues and feedback in detail. When faced with areas he was not familiar with, he was quick to seek the information needed to fill the gaps, leveraging other team members and finding the resources needed. Andrew did a great job giving presentations to the team about his work and establishing relationships with senior members of our team and other organizations as well. Andrew always looked for opportunities to push the boundaries of his knowledge, taking on additional tasks and thinking about future development. It's been a pleasure having Andrew on our team.

Nicolas Droux Manager, Camera Systems Software NVIDIA Corporation

Andrew has shown initiative and passion beyond our expectation for a student on many occasions. He treats the product as his own and takes responsibility to make it better. He is actively communicating with his fellow team members and helping the team in any way he can; many times he has also demonstrated his leadership skills within his team. He also shows he has the capability to learn complex technologies like the GPU driver and contributes just like how other full timers would. His enthusiasm and passion towards his work will continue to help him in any industry. His technical skills are also highly recognized among his peers, and his personality is easy to work with. Overall, Andrew has been one of the most talented and hard-working students we have seen.

Eagle Yeh Supervisor - Sectional Manager Advanced Micro Devices Inc.

Andrew (or Andrunior as we like to call him) has been by far the hardest-working, kindest, brightest, sociable, and most involved intern we've hired from the Waterloo co-op program. When he first started, we had our doubts given that it was his first internship. But he came in and absolutely took charge of the TunnelBear codebase. He worked on every part of the Android application from the native C++ component to the Java/XML UI components. There was no task he shied away from regardless of how complex or foreign. Andrunior, almost to a fault, is unable to say no to anyone and is often found skillfully multi-tasking several large deliverables. Needless to say, his organization and prioritization is relatively unmatched for a student in his year. This was one of our first experiences hiring a junior intern. However, it was quickly evident that Andrunior's technical prowess far surpassed people with a few more years of work experience. He outperformed our expectations in every way and our decision to hire him has encouraged us to take similar risks in the future.

If you don't take him, we will. So please, do us a favour and don't give him an interview.

Raed Makhlouf Supervisor - Senior Software Engineer TunnelBear Inc.