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Associate Professor of Computer Science

Inspiring Leader and Team Builder, Open minded, Versatile, Result driven professional with 28+ years of industrial and academic experience. More than Ten successful developed products with proven positive technical and financial impact. Proven Excellent Research and Development Skills, with more than 40 publications and two patents. Excellent experience in Wireless sensor networks design and optimization, Machine learning, Embedded systems, and Energy Management Systems.

Core Competencies

- * Track record of Creative, Research and Development, Independent Thinking Leading to Novel Products * Detailed Oriented * Managing Multiple Stakeholders and Driving Cross-Functional Technical Projects and Accomplish Goals* Energized Solving Customer Challenges and Business Problems* Excellent Presentation and Teaching Skills * Excellent Research & Development
- * Machine learning, SAS, Robotics, AI, Embedded Systems Product Development * Software Project Management * Embedded Systems Code Optimization/Review* Energy Management Systems (EMS) * Remote Monitoring Systems (RMS)

Experiences and Achievements

8/2016- Present Associate Professor of Computer Science, Rhode Island College:

Teaching different computer science courses (practical, hands on experience and real projects implementation) such as AI, Machine Learning, Real Time Embedded Software (C and Assembly), Algorithms (parallel and sequential), Data Structures, Computer Architecture, and Programming Languages (JAVA and Python).

Improved students programming skills and knowledge (of Algorithms and data Structures) through close evaluation and code review for all my students' programs. And advising them on the best methods/tools for SDLC, designing, coding, documenting, testing, and debugging their programs.

Created a team of undergraduate students with exceptional skills in research, mainly in real time systems developments, optimization and performance improvements, and published two papers on High performance computing, and Image processing, using SIMD implementation on Intel and ARM.

Advising Ph.D. students at UCONN in Real Time Systems, High Speed Embedded Underwater Wireless Sensor Networks, Machine Learning, Feature Extraction and Data Reduction Techniques.

Motivate students to join professional communities by being advisor of ACM and UPE chapters RIC.

Selected Achievements:

- Developed Data Science program at RIC
- Developing Machine learning certificate with SAS
- First time Machine learning real projects at RIC.
- Most Valuable Professor award (MVP) Fall 2018

- First RIC graduates with Real Time and Embedded Systems Experience.
- First RIC graduates with Parallel Algorithms and Parallel Programming Experience
- Started Bioinformatics Bachelor of Science
- First time undergraduate student publishing two papers (SIMD portable code for Intel and ARM)
- Improved and updated CS course content and skills while being Chair of CS curriculum committee and a member of CS advisory Board
- Helping in spreading and educating community members in IT, by being a member of "Tech Collective Academic Advisory Panel"

2006- 2018 Founder and CEO of Edge Technology Inc.

Founder of the first regional Remote Energy Management Systems Company. Product innovation and development for the first state of the art system for Remote Monitoring System (RMS) for Public Streel Lighting Network. My Systems were deployed and are still control more than 250K public street poles. Formed an outstanding multidiscipline team (Software Communications, Power, and Hardware), in addition to marketing team and production team.

Grew The company from 5 employees in 2006 to 50 in 2011, with delivered projects of more than \$6 M. Our systems are regionally recognized by Ministry of Communications, and Ministry of Electricity.

Selected Contributions:

- Outstanding Business Development, Expanded the company to other countries and creating awareness and interest in my products
- Won and delivered more than 70 tenders for RMS (\$6 M)
- First regional patent for Web based Streel Lighting System.
- RMS Products developed and proven benefits:
 - Slashed energy consumption by 40 % using my Building Energy Management System (BEMS)
 - Slashed monthly energy bill by 35% and improved power quality using my Web based Industrial Power Quality Monitoring System
 - Slashed energy consumption by 45% and operation cost by 65% using my Wireless Street Lighting Management System
- 2nd Best innovative and creative company in Egypt 2012.
- Successfully Wearing multiple hats: inventor, architect, project manager, Business development, technical lead, product development, and CEO

2002- 2015 Assistant Professor of Computer Engineering, Faculty of Engineering, Cairo University:

Teaching (practical, with hands on experience) different computer engineering courses, such as Embedded Systems, Robotics, Parallel Programming (PVM, MPI, and Multithreading), Algorithms (Parallel and Sequential), Parallel Computer Architecture, and Programming Languages (C and C++).

Developed Working Systems: in Real Time Systems Optimization and Performance, Wireless Sensor Networks, Remote Monitoring Systems (RMS) and Robotics.

Selected Contributions:

- Founder of Embedded Software group in Egypt.(First graduated group formed embedded Group in IBM Egypt, which was later changed to Valeo Egypt)
- Introduced Parallel Programming
- Best master thesis in Cairo University (2009)
- Published more than ten research papers.

2004 – 2009 E-Gov Program Director UNDP:

Process reengineering, digital transformation (E-Gov) in many Egyptian governmental institutions. Most of my systems are still in use.

Slashing time to establish company from 40 days to three days by process reengineering and using workflow systems in Ministry of Investment.

Reducing service time from one week to one hour by automating Commercial Registry Authority.

One Stop shop implementation in Chamber of Commerce.

Tender Management, my team had six project managers and 40 employees, total projects 50 MEGP.

Selected Contributions, Digital transformation for:

- Slashing company establishment to three days (from 40) Ministry of Investment
- Reducing Service time to one hour (from 7 Days) Commercial Registry Authority
- One Stop Shop Cairo Chamber of Commerce

2005-2008 Embedded Software Director SySDSoft Inc.:

Product development for Wi-Max base station and subscriber station.

Slashed execution time to 200Ms to meet real time requirements.

Selected Contributions:

- Product development Wi-Max Full Stack
- Reducing execution time to 200 MS (from 500MS)
- Created and Introduced Coding guidelines docs/best practices for Embedded Systems.
- Company was later Acquired by Intel Egypt
- Built an outstanding embedded programming team

2000-2001 Consultant, ABB Robotic Technology Group:

Engine Cutting Robot path planning and programming with accuracy 0.03 mm.

Project achieved and delivered on time Using Robot Studio (SW)

Selected Contributions:

- Increased Group Productivity by Starting a weekly follow up meeting with all Project Managers.
- Project delivered as desired to BMW

Education

Ph. D. in Computer Science and Engineering, University of Connecticut, USA

M.S. in Computer Science and Mathematics, Cairo University, Egypt

B.S. in Electronic and Communications Engineering, Cairo University, Egypt

Products Developed:

- Building Energy Management System (BEMS) 2016
- Web based Factory Power Quality Monitoring System 2013
- Web Based Smart Meter Reading System, 2012
- Wireless Street Lighting Management System 2010
- Wi-Max Full Stack Embedded Software 2007

Systems Developed:

- E-Gov Systems: Automating General Authority for Investment, Commercial Registry Authority, Cairo Chamber of Commerce, and Ministry of Finance.
- Fleet Management System 2008

Patents

- 1- "Lighting and Outdoor Signs Management System and Load Management System for Low and Medium Tensions." No. 2010/1854-EGPatent.
- 2- "Underwater Acoustics Sensor Networks", filed June 2019

Computer Skills:

- Machine learning Using SAS
- Languages: C, C++, Java, .Net, Python, VB, PASCAL, RPG, and Prolog, Assembly languages (Intel, Motorola, and MIPS)
- IDE: MS Visual Studio and Eclipse, Jupyter Notebook
- SDLC: Water fall model, V-Shape and Agile (Scrum).
- Embedded: Multithreading, Real Time Scheduling, Memory Management, Watchdog Timers, Power Aware Coding.
- Version Control: Source Safe, Git
- Operating systems: Windows, Linux, and Unix
- Tools/packages: SAS, Intel V-Tune, OrCad, Keil, and Matlab, Mathematica, MSOffice,
- Communication Protocols: WI-Max, Zig BEE, RS232, Modbus, Profibus, RS485, Profinet and Power Line Communications (PLC).
- Processors/Microcontroller: AVR, ATMEL, Zilog- 80, Intel, DSP (Shark Arch) and ARM.
- Lab skills: Oscilloscope, Logic Analyzer, Digital Multimeters, Interfacing Techniques, bread board, and Soldering
- Other Experience: Non-Destructive Testing (NDT), Ultrasonic Imaging, Air Traffic Control.
- Project Management: PMP course/Book.

Recognition and Merit Awards

- Most Valuable Professor, Rhode Island College, Fall 2018
- Ministry of communication and information Technology: 2nd Place in "Best Innovative Companies" Egypt, 2012.
- Cairo University, Best Master Thesis, 2009.
- University of Connecticut: Post-Doctoral Fellowship 2000
- University of Connecticut: Pre-Doctoral Fellowship 1999
- University of Connecticut: Graduate Student Fellowship1998
- University of Connecticut: Research Assistant Scholarship 1995-1998
- Cairo University: Graduate Scholarship 1990-1994
- Cairo University: Excellent Student Awards 1985-1990

Publications

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- P. Zamojski, R. Elfouly "Developing Standardized SIMD API between Intel and ARM NEON", The 2018 International Conference on Computational Science and Computational Intelligence (CSCI'18: December 13-15, 2018, Las Vegas, USA).
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