

# Soham Gandhi

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## EDUCATION

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### Virginia Tech

B.S. in Computer Engineering & B.S. in Electrical Engineering

Majors in Machine Learning and Controls, Robotics, & Autonomy, Minor in Computer Science

**Activities:** Calhoun Honors Discovery Program, Apex Center Incubator, Collab, IEEE, AI/ML Club, Blockchain Club

**Relevant Coursework:** Discrete, Signals and Systems, Circuits and Devices, Digital Systems, Physical Electronics

**Awards:** Calhoun Honors Discovery Scholar, VT Dean's List (Fall 2021 – Present), HackViolet 2023 (Best Innovation Hack), HackDuke 2021 (Best Financial Hack, 1<sup>st</sup> Place Education Track), HackViolet 2022 (Ut Prosim Award)

*Expected May 2025*

**Junior Honors**

**GPA: 4.0 / 4.0**

### Thomas Jefferson High School for Science and Technology

Advanced Studies Diploma, Governor's Seal

Graduated June 2021

**GPA: 4.25W**

## SKILLS

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**Programming:** Python, Java, C, C++, C#, JavaScript, Bash, MATLAB, Verilog, Solidity, OpenCV, TensorFlow

**Platforms:** Git, Ubuntu, CentOS, LTSpice, ROS, SvelteKit, Fusion 360, AutoCAD, SolidWorks

**Hardware & Interfaces:** Oscilloscope, VNA, Raspberry Pi, Arduino, Teensy, i2c, SPI, Serial, GPIB

## EXPERIENCE

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### Texas Instruments | *Validation Engineering Intern* | Santa Clara, CA

May 2023 – August 2023

- Developed lab methodology to emulate automotive high-speed SerDes cables with a programmable Artek Variable ISI channel, reducing SerDes link testing time by 60% by eliminating the need to manually switch cables.
- Wrote automation drivers for Keysight PNA S-parameter measurements and Artek Variable ISI Channel controls via GPIB/Serial interfaces to reduce setup time by 90%.
- Tested hardware designs utilizing Python scripts to automate testing setups and assist with Verilog chip designs.

### General Dynamics Mission Systems | *Software Engineering Intern* | Fair Lakes, VA

May 2022 – August 2022

- Implemented automated development of Centos over NFS mount using DHCP and TFTP on a secure network.
- Strengthen system security by hardening kickstarts to comply with DoD STIG requirements and developed Bash/Python script for automating various tasks: input device setup, user permissions, and environment layouts.

### InSignEx | *Research Intern* | Gujarat, India (Virtual)

May 2020 – June 2021

- Developed an automated agricultural irrigation system using Python, Flask, and MySQL, for data collection.
- Reduced power consumption of ESP8266 with a shunt resistor to 30mA and presented findings in an IEEE paper.

## PROJECTS

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### Latis | *Co-Developer & Founder* | Blacksburg, VA

November 2022 – Present

- Spearheading the development of a decentralized update platform for actuators. ensuring security and reliability.
- Successfully managing a team of 8 peers in market research and business planning to pitch in front of VCs.
- Built a secure app using SvelteKit for trusted interactions between manufacturers, OEMs, and devices.
- Leveraged Hedera hashgraph, FileCoin IPFS, trusted execution environments, ledgers, and smart contracts.

### Collaborative Robotics Lab | *Research Assistant* | Blacksburg, VA

August 2022 – Present

- Collaborating with a Ph.D. student exploring the benefits of deception in achieving higher long-term rewards.
- Using game theory concepts such as Bayesian games to develop and test algorithms using Python.
- Created a user study utilizing Fetch to interact with users based on real-time interactions.

### 16-Bit Central Processing Unit | *Developer* | Blacksburg, VA

September 2022 – December 2022

- Developed a 16-bit CPU from the ground up, starting with individual transistors and advancing to larger components, utilizing Verilog for design and implementation.
- Designed and simulated key CPU components, including logic gates, multiplexers, adders, and control units, to achieve a comprehensive understanding of digital logic and computer architecture.
- Successfully implemented the CPU on the Intel De10Lite FPGA board using Quartus and ModelSim

## RECENT PUBLICATION

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S. Sagheb, S. Gandhi, and D. P. Losey, "Should Collaborative Robots be Transparent?," arXiv (Cornell University), Apr. 2023, doi: <https://doi.org/10.48550/arxiv.2304.11753>.