

# YOUSEF H. AKBAR

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## 👤 EXPERIENCE & RELEVANT PROJECTS

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### Lead Robotics Intern (C/Ch/C++ Firmware)

Oct. 2019 – June 2020

*Center for Integrated Computing and STEM Education, UC Davis* Manager: Dr. Harry H. Cheng

Development of software and hardware for Linkbot sensor-based robotics.

- Programmed firmware in *C/Ch* for compatibility with Arduino and sensors.
- Co-authored chapters and fixed formatting in STEM textbook *Sensor-Based Robotics*.
- Implemented better collaboration workflow with *git* for code and documentation.

### EasyMoo Cow Monitor – Electronics Senior Design Project

Sep. 2019 – March 2020

*Soldering, Firmware Design (C/C++)*, 3D Printing Capstone Project, collaborated with 3 colleagues

Devised, designed, and fabricated a *cow health monitor* with sensors (System on Chip)

- Designed schematic and PCB design on *Altium Designer*, then 3D printed final board.
- Fabricated and Soldered ICs and sensors on a single chip.
- Coded firmware in *PSoC Creator* in C/C++ and assembly.
- Learned and implemented I2C, BLE, UART communication protocols.
- Project hosted on GitHub: <https://github.com/yousefakbar/EasyMoo>.

### Sound-Responsive TI Robot Project

2018

*Robotics, Soldering, Firmware Design (C/C++)* EEC10 Individual Final Project

Built and programmed a sound-sensitive robotic kit that reacts and 'drives' towards a sound source.

- Assembled TI-RSLK kit with wheels and motors, and TI Launchpad
- Coded firmware in *Code Composer Studio* in C/C++
- Implemented with SPI, UART communication protocols

## 🎓 EDUCATION

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### University of California, Davis (Merit School)

2016 – 2020

*Bachelor's Degree* in Computer Engineering (ECE)

*IEEE Davis Chapter* Member

### The British School of Kuwait, Salwa, Kuwait

2013 – 2016

Certificates in IGCSE and AS Level Education, *Cambridge and Edexcel*

Member of clubs: Robotics, Chess, Hiking, Soccer Team

## ⚙️ SKILLS

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- **Hardware:** Soldering, Oscilloscopes, Signal Generators, Multimeters
- **Programming:** C/C++, Python, Shell scripting, Vimscript, Lisp
- **Platforms:** GNU/Linux, Mac, Windows, Raspberry Pi, Arduino, Vim, Emacs
- Bilingual, Interpersonal Communication, Teamwork, Leadership

## ♥️ HONORS AND AWARDS

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### Kuwait State-Funded Full-Ride Scholarship

Aug. 2016

Prestigious scholarship awarded to Top 100 students annually

### Duke of Edinburgh International Award Bronze

2014

Award for series of self-improvement exercises including hiking, leadership, skill learning