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EDUCATION

PhD in Electrical and Computer Engineering, Brown University

Jan 2022 - Dec 2026

Advisor: Sherief Reda, Co-advisor: Jacob Rosenstein

Expected Graduation Data: 12/31/2026

GPA: 4.0

Masters of Science in Electrical and Computer Engineering, Brown University

Jan 2022 - May 2024

Relevant Coursework: Mixed-Signal Electronic Design, Deep Learning,

Machine Learning and Pattern Recognition, Computer Vision, Design and Analysis of Algorithms.

GPA: 4.0

Bachelor of Science in Computer Engineering, American University in Cairo

2015 - 2020

Thesis: Fully autonomous navigation kit using LIDAR and odometery sensors. Github

Graduated summa cum laude, GPA: 3.9

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Programming Languages
Machine Learning Frameworks

Hardware Design

C/C++, Python, Swift, TCL Pytorch, Tensorflow, JAX, Keras

Verilog, SPICE

EDA Tools Cadence Genus, Virtuoso, Synopsys DC Compiler, Calibre

WORK EXPERIENCE

Research Assistant at SCALE Lab

Brown University

Jan 2022 - Present

Providence, RI

- Conducting research on leveraging large language models for accelerating hardware design workflows.
- Collaborated with interdisciplinary teams on integrating machine learning for data enhancement of microelectronic circuits.

Hardware Technology Intern

Apple

Efabless

Jun 2025 - Aug 2025

Cupertino, CA

- Developed an LLM-assisted library analysis workflow for liberty data and release notes.
- Built a multi-agent framework for Timing ECO recommendations and timing report analysis.

EDA Engineer

 ${\rm Jun}\ 2020$ - ${\rm Jan}\ 2022$

San Jose, CA

- Designed and Taped-out RISC-V system-on-chips (SoCs) on the *Skywater PDK* shuttle programs.
- Took main responsibility of running the physical implementation of the digital blocks of the *Caravel* chip.
- Automated the digital design flow in TCL, as part of the *OpenLane* team.
- Conducted sign-off checks including gate-level simulations, timing analysis, and DRC/LVS checks using Calibre and open-source tools.

Research Assistant

Sep 2019 - Jun 2020

American University in Cairo

Cairo, Egypt

- Conducted research in the digital design field and design-for-testing (DFT).
- Co-developed an open-source design-for-testing toolchain, *Fault*, in Swift.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Graduate Teaching Assistant — CSCE 432/4301 Embedded Systems American University in Cairo

Spring 2021 Cairo, Egypt

- Graded assignments and exams and gave feedback on students work.
- Conducted review sessions before the exams and prepared review sheets.

Graduate Teaching Assistant — ECNG 525/5225 Digital Signal Processing American University in Cairo

Spring 2021 Cairo, Egypt

- Graded homeworks and midterm exams.
- Provided feedback on student's work in the final project.

Graduate Teaching Assistant — CSCE 337/3304 Digital Design II American University in Cairo

Summer 2020 - Fall 2021 $Cairo,\ Egypt$

- Co-designed lab handouts with the instructor.
- Taught bi-weekly lab tutorials on running physical design flows.

AWARDS

- Best Paper Award, IEEE International Conference on LLM-Aided Design, Stanford, Summer 2025
- Design Automation Conference (DAC) Young Fellow, California, San Francisco, Summer 2022
- Mohammed Bin Abdulkarim Endowed Undergraduate Award, Spring 2020 (AUC). This award is given to the highest performing student in STEM fields biannually at the American University in Cairo.
- Third Place Award at AUC Robotics Conference Research Competition, Winter 2019 (AUC).
- Grant Recepient from ITAC ITIDA, Spring 2019 (AUC). For sponsoring my graduation project on developing a fully autonomous navigation kit using LIDAR and odometry sensors.
- AT & T Endowed Scholarship Recipient, Fall 2015 (AUC). Awarded yearly for students majoring in engineering based on their academic merit.

PUBLICATIONS

- [6] M. Abdelatty*, M. Nouh*, J. K. Rosenstein, and S. Reda, "Pluto: A Benchmark for Evaluating Efficiency of LLM-Generated Hardware Code" Preprint, Under Review, 2025. (*denotes first co-authors) Paper
- [5] M. Abdelatty, J. K. Rosenstein, and S. Reda, "ChipXplore: Natural Language Exploration of Hardware Designs and Libraries" IEEE International Conference on LLM-Aided Design (LAD), 2025. Paper Best Paper Award
- [4] M. Abdelatty, J. Ma, and S. Reda, "MetRex: A Benchmark for Verilog Code Metric Reasoning Using LLMs", IEEE Asia and South Pacific Design Automation Conference (ASP-DAC), 2025. Paper
- [3] M. Abdelatty, J. T. Incandela, K. Hu, P. Joshi, J. W. Larkin, S. Reda, and J. K. Rosenstein, "Electrical Capacitance Tomography of Cell Cultures on a CMOS Microelectrode Array," IEEE Transactions on Biomedical Circuits and Systems. (TBioCAS), 2024. Paper
- [2] M. Abdelatty, J. T. Incandela, K. Hu, J. W. Larkin, S. Reda, and J. K. Rosenstein, "Microscale 3-D Capacitance Tomography with a CMOS Sensor Array" in Proceedings of IEEE Biomedical Circuits and Systems (BioCAS), 2023. Paper
- [1] M. Abdelatty, M. Gaber, and M. Shalan, "Fault: Open Source EDA's Missing DFT Toolchain" IEEE Design & Test, vol. 38, no. 2, pp. 55-62, Apr. 2021. Paper
- [0] M. Gaber, M. Abdelatty, and M. Shalan, "Fault, an Open Source DFT Toolchain" in Workshop on Open-Source EDA Technology (WOSET), 2019. Paper