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# **ING. DR. DANIEL OPOKU**

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#### OBJECTIVE

Seeking a research consultancy opportunity where I can apply my knowledge and experience in instrumentation, control and automation to improve the living conditions of humanity.

#### PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Professional Electrical and Electronic Engineer with many years of research and development experience in intelligent systems, instrumentation, controls and automation and about 3 years of experience in consultancy.

## EXPERIENCE

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#### LEAD CONSULTANT • COMPTON GHANA INTEGRATED LTD • JULY 2018 - DATE

- Risk Assessment and Security Audit for Volta River Authority (VRA): Partook in proposal writing, pre-contract engagements, led a team of 6 consultants to conduct Risk Assessment and Security Audit for all the major VRA Installations, conducted oral presentations, made recommendations, wrote technical report.
- Risk Assessment and Security Audit for ECG Installations in the Greater Accra Region: Led a team of 6 consultants to conduct Risk Assessment and Security Audit for all the Bulk Supply Points, Substations/Switchyards and other facilities of ECG in the Greater Accra Region, conducted oral presentations, made recommendations, wrote technical report.

#### LECTURER AND RESEARCHER • KWAME NKRUMAH UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY • NOVEMBER 2016 - DATE

- Teaching and Researching in the field of Instrumentations, Controls, Automation and Intelligent Systems.
- Marketing and Outreach Officer for KNUST Engineering Education Project (KEEP), and Africa Center of Excellence (ACE) Impact.
  - Mentoring of Students and Supervising of Student Projects
- College of Engineering Innovation Team Member
- Design/Drawings for Instrumentation, SCADA systems
- Electrical Motors and Pump Circuits Design, Drawing and Specifications

#### NAVIGATION SYSTEMS ENGINEER/TEST ENGINEER • MERCURY DATA SYSTEMS INC, LEXINGTON KENTUCKY, USA. • SEPTEMBER 2014 – AUGUST 2016

- Design of Laboratory Testing Procedures for Navigation Sensors
- Research and Development of Sensor Noise Models for Navigation Sensors
- Simulation and Prototyping of Virtual Inertia Measurement Unit (vIMU)

#### POSTGRADUATE RESEARCH ASSOCIATE • ACIT CENTER, NORTH CAROLINA A & T STATE UNIVERSITY, GREENSBORO, NC, USA • SEPTEMBER 2013 – AUGUST 2014

- Concept Development for a Perception Inference Engine
- Server Administration for (ACIT) Center
- Proposal Writing and Technical Reporting









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### SKILLS

Artificial Intelligence, Power Systems Analysis with PSS@E, Automation Systems (Instrumentation, Controls, PLC, SCADA, etc), Design and Simulation using MATLAB/SIMULINK/ SIMSCAPE, Native iOS Developer

# **EDUCATION**

#### PHD IN ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING • JULY 2013 • NORTH CAROLINA A & T STATE UNIVERSITY

- **Dissertation Topic:** A Novel Approach to Intelligent Navigation of a Mobile Robot in a Dynamic and Cluttered Indoor Environment
- GPA of 4.0/4.0
- Among Top 10 Graduating Students.

#### BSC IN ELECTRICAL AND ELECTRONIC ENGINEERING • JULY 2007 • KWAME NKRUMAH UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

- First Class Honors with CWA of 76.38%
- Top 10 Graduating Students in Electrical and Electronic Engineering Department

## **RESEARCH AREAS**

- Modern Controls Theories and Applications
- Unmanned Aerial Vehicles
- Electric Vehicles
- Artificial Intelligence and IoT
- Sensors and Instrumentations
- Industrial Control and Automation

## **CURRENT COURSES TAUGHT**

#### UNDERGRADUATES

- Electromechanical Energy Conversion and Transformers
- Digital Systems
- Electrical Measurement and Instrumentations
- Classical Control Systems
- Digital Control Systems







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POSTGRADUATES

• Computational Methods and Tools

## **VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE OR LEADERSHIP**

- **Committee Chairman:** Unity Hall Fellows Welfare Committee, FECE Course Mapping Committee, College of Engineering Online Learning Facilitation Committee.
- **Committee Member:** Tracer Committee, CoE Innovation Committee, KNUST Online Training Core Team, etc.
- **Positions:** Department Industrial Liaison Officer, College Industrial Presentations Coordinator, Examinations Officer, Department Field Trip Coordinator, etc.

## **RESEARCH PUBLICATIONS**

- [1] Opoku, D., Benjamin Kommeny (2020), FPGA-Based Intelligent Traffic Controller with Remote Operation Mode, International Journal of Innovative Technology and Interdisciplinary Sciences, Volume 3, Issue 4, DOI: <u>https://doi.org/10.15157/IJITIS.2020.3.3.490-500</u>
- [2] Adom-Bamfi, G., Daniel Opoku, Benjamin Kommey (2020), Welcoming the Semiconductor Industry in Ghana: Challenges and Recommendations – A Case Study, Journal of Engineering Studies and Research, Volume 26, No. 4, pp 27-33,
- [3] Kommey B., S. D. Kotey, **D. Opoku (2019)**, Patient Medical Emergency Alert System, International Journal of Applied Information Systems (IJAIS), Volume 12, ISSN: 2249-0868.
- [4] Kommey B., Seth D. Kotey, D. Opoku (2019), Biometric Course Attendance Monitor for KNUST, International Journal of Industrial Research and Applied Engineering (JIRAE), Volume 3, pp. 86-91, e-ISSN 2407-7259.
- [5] Kommey B., Seth D. Kotey, D. Opoku (2020), Ultrasonic Sensor-Based Automated Water Dam Shutter, Journal of Information Technology and Computer Engineering (JITCE), Volume 4, pp 1-4.
- [6] Opoku, D., A. Homaifar, and E. Tunstel (2013). The A-r-Star (Ar\*) Pathfinder. International Journal of Computer Applications; vol. (67), pp. 0975-8887.





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- [8] Opoku, D., A. Homaifar. (2010). Non-Classical Multi-Sensor Data Fusion Techniques. Conference proceedings, IEEE Aerospace Conference, ISBN 978-1-4244-3888-4.
- [9] Enyinna N., A. Karimoddini, D. Opoku, A. Homaifar, S. Arnold. (2015). Developing an interval type-2 tsk fuzzy logic controller; Proc. of Fuzzy Information Processing Society (NAFIPS)/World Conference on Soft Computing (WConSC), 2015. Pp.1-6
- [10] Opoku, D., A. Homaifar, and E. Tunstel (2014), RFID-augmentation for improving long-term pose accuracy of an indoor navigating robot, 2014 IEEE International Conference on Systems, Man and Cybernetics (SMC). Pp. 796-801
- [11] Opoku, D., A. Homaifar, and E. Tunstel (2016), Path Planning for Planetary Surface Exploration Using Incremental A-r-Star Pathfinder," Proc. 2016 NSBE Aerospace Systems Conference, Arlington, VA, Aug. 2016, pp. 144-148.









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