# ANDI ZHOU

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#### **Education**

# **University of Michigan Ann Arbor**

Bachelor of Science in Engineering Master of Science in Engineering

**Graduating May 2022** Starting September 2022

Major: Aerospace Engineering

GPA 3.67/4.00

Clubs/Programs - Michigan Aeronautical and Science Association (MASA), Sigma Gamma Tau, Michigan Active Aeroelasticity and Research Laboratory, AIAA

#### **Skills**

Engineering Skills: CAD, CFD, FEA, Multi-Phase Flow, Thermodynamics, Heat Transfer, Thermal Management

CAE Software: CATIA, ANSA, PowerFLOW, Solidworks, ANSYS, STAR CCM+, NASTRAN, Linux

Coding Language: MATLAB, C++

Awards: Dean's Honor List (2018 - 2021) | Sigma Gamma Tau - National Aerospace Honor Society

# **Work Experience**

#### **Volvo Group Truck Technology**

Greensboro, NC

Powertrain Simulation Intern

Ianuary 2022 - Present

- Optimized water draining in air intake using PowerFLOW multi-phase flow, ensuring the system is up to standards as per SAE J554
- Conducted thermal cooling optimization for electronic components inside driver's instrument panel, ensuring temperature on semi-conductors are within 70° Celsius
- Cleaned 100s of powertrain CAD models and generated for them fine and efficient meshes for thermal simulations using ANSA
- Gained extensive experience working in an Agile team and a large company of 100,000 people

## **Project Team Experience**

## MASA (University Rocketry Team)

Ann Arbor, MI

Rocket Fin Lead (Team of 12)

September 2019 - Present

- Led a team of 12 in designing, simulating, and manufacturing rocket fins able to take on supersonic flight loads
- Organized design reviews, conducted engineering work sessions, led the team to eventually optimizing the apogee of our rocket by 30%
- Designed the structure to a SF of 1.5 with a loading condition of 2-degree AoA at Mach 2.77 while reducing the weight of the overall rocket by 10%
- Coordinated with out-of-house manufacturers; fabricated a 4-ft tall, 3-ft wide rocket fin assembly leveraging advanced metal manufacturing techniques such as CNC mill/lathe, bump bending and brake pressing

### Test Engineer Lead (Team of 6)

September 2021 – December 2021

- Led a team of 6 in testing the largest fin assembly (3-ft wide, 4-ft tall) that MASA has ever built
- Conducted static testing of the fin assembly, analyzed deformation data and compared with those given in Finite Element Analysis; confirming that the error range stayed within 20%
- Investigated dynamic roll behaviors using a 5' by 7' wind tunnel; quantified moment and angular acceleration due to aerodynamic effects and eliminated the possibility of inertial roll coupling
- Optimized team design cycles; accelerated design duration by 70%

## **Research Experience**

### **Active Aeroelasticity and Research Laboratory**

Ann Arbor, MI

Undergraduate Research Assistant

September 2020 - May 2021

- Evaluated BWB type aircraft with NASTRAN using SOL 101, 103, 144, 145 and 400 to study its structural, modal and aeroelastic behaviors under subsonic speed with varying angle of attack and compressibility factor
- Wrote finite element codes with MATLAB, allowing for NASTRAN to iteratively solve for varying loading conditions and automatically provide the most optimized structure for the load case given

#### **Personal Projects**

**Custom CFD Solver** Ann Arbor, MI

Programmer Ianuary 2021 - September 2021

- Single-handedly coded a custom CFD solver utilizing the method of fractional velocity to solve the steady incompressible Navier-Stokes equations
- Verified the above CFD code using the classic lid-driven cavity test case up to a Reynolds number of 5000