# Andi Zhou

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An aspiring 3<sup>rd</sup> year aerospace engineering student with extensive interests in structures and thermodynamics and is skilled in a variety of design and simulation softwares including Solidworks, CATIA, ANSYS, and MSC NASTRAN

#### **EDUCATION**

### UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN — Ann Arbor, MI

Undergraduate Aerospace Engineering / 3rd Year - Sept 2018 to present

- Overall GPA: 3.65, Major GPA: 3.86
- Dean's honor list

#### **SKILLS**

- Component design involving Solidworks and CATIA
- FEA utilizing ANSYS and MSC NASTRAN
- ◆ CFD analysis using ANSYS Fluent

- ◆ Data analysis leveraging MATLAB and C++
- ◆ Formal technical reports and presentations using MS PowerPoint and Overleaf LaTeX
- ◆ Team leadership

#### **EXPERIENCE**

# MICHIGAN AERONAUTICAL SCIENCE ASSOCIATION — Ann Arbor, MI

Coordinating the design, simulation, manufacturing, and integration of the fin aerostructure on the Tangerine Space Machine, an amateur rocket that aims to be the first student-build liquid engine vehicle to reach space

### Fin Aerostructure Lead, 2018 - present

- Oversaw structural integration and manufacturing plan fabrication for the fin; ensuring manufacturing deadlines were promptly met
- Coached 10 newer team members the basics of FEA and CFD analysis using ANSYS simulation package
- Coordinated in team technical meetings issues regarding overall system engineering and design, such as reducing fin surface area to readjust component mass and rocket stability parameter
- Analyzed fins' structural characteristics by conducting static and transient FEA using ANSYS simulation package, reducing structural stress and deformation to safety factor of 2 at Max-Q
- Performed CFD Structure coupling simulations using ANSYS in order to investigate the dynamic aeroelastic behavior of the fin under different flight regimes, ensuring flutter does not occur during flight

### ACTIVE AEROELASTICITY AND STRUCTURE RESEARCH LABORATORY — Ann Arbor, MI

Conducting comparison studies on the results between in-house aeroelasticity simulation software UM/NAST with commercially published simulation software MSC NASTRAN

## Research Assistant, 2020 - present

- Evaluated BWB type aircraft with SOL 101, 103, 144, 145 and 400 in NASTRAN 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 that allows NASTRAN to iteratively solve for varying loading conditions and organize the outputs into plots or tables
- Composed weekly formal reports and the final "end of the semester" report to the professor in LaTex regarding research progress and results

# **CERTIFICATE**

PRIVATE PILOT LICENSE (PPL)
RESTRICTED RADIO OPERATOR CERTIFICATE – AERONAUTICAL (ROC-A)