**ANDI ZHOU**

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**Education**

**University of Michigan Ann Arbor Ann Arbor, MI**

*Bachelor of Science in Engineering* Graduating May 2022

**Major: Aerospace Engineering GPA 3.66/4.00**

**Clubs/Programs –** Michigan Aeronautical and Science Association (MASA), Sigma Gamma Tau, Michigan Active Aeroelasticity

and Research Laboratory, AIAA

**Skills**

**Engineering Skills:** CFD, FEA, Thermodynamics, CFD-FEA Coupled Analysis, CFD-Thermal Coupled Analysis, CAD

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

**Coding Language:** MATLAB, C++

Awards: **Dean’s Honor List (2018 – 2021)** | **Sigma Gamma Tau –** NationalAerospaceHonorSociety

**Experience**

**MASA (University Rocketry Team)** Ann Arbor, MI

*Rocket Fin Lead* *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 to 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, reducing the weight of the overall rocket by 10% while maintaining the same performance at identical loading conditions
* Contacted out-of-house manufacturers; fabricated a 4-ft tall, 3-ft wide rocket fin assembly leveraging advanced sheet metal manufacturing techniques such as bump bending and brake pressing

*Lead Test Engineer*

* Led a team of 6 in testing the largest fin assembly that MASA has ever built
* Conducted static testing of the fin surface, analyzed data and compared with those given in Finite Element Analysis; confirming that the error range stayed within 20%
* Investigated roll behaviors using a 5’ by 7’ wind tunnel; quantified moment and angular acceleration due to aerodynamic effects and explored the possibility of inertial roll coupling
* Optimized team design cycles; created a more efficient design algorithm for the future of the team

**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

**Berlin Institute of Technology** Berlin, Germany

*International Research Intern* *April 2019 – July 2019*

* Verified drag coefficients and forces of experimental vehicles using wind tunnels measurements and compared with ANSYS Fluent results
* Optimized vehicle aerodynamic based on geometry changes guided by wind tunnel experiments and decreased the overall drag coefficient by 0.02

**Projects**

**Custom CFD Solver** Ann Arbor, MI

*Programmer January 2021 – September 2021*

* Single-handedly coded a custom CFD solver utilizing the SIMPLE algorithm to solve the steady incompressible Navier-Stokes equations
* Programmed a Finite Volume Solver to investigate the spread of COVID-19 within a classroom leveraging concepts of potential flow
* Optimized channel flows using Finite Element Methods and principles of unstructured mesh