Joe Shields

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EDUCATION

• Portland State University, 3.65 GPA

Sep. 2013 - Jun. 2016

B.S. Mechanical Engineering, Maseeh College of Engineering and Computer Science

Focus: heat and mass transfer

B.S. Physics, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences

Focus: mechanics and electromagnetism

• Portland Community College, 3.0 GPA Sep. 2008 - Jun. 2010, Sep. 2011 - Sep. 2013

EXPERIENCE

Mechanical Lead. PSAS

Dec. 2015 – present

Created an open-hardware carbon fiber rocket airframe for the Portland State Aerospace Society Managed interdisciplinary projects among students and professionals

Published and presented a conference paper on the project for AIAA SPACE 2016

Documented design and manufacturing processes to foster institutional knowledge

Mentored student projects and assembled project teams

Maintained equipment and lab space

Designed parts using hand calculations, prototypes, computer models, CFD, and CAD

Performed FMEA and root-cause analysis

Mechanical Lead. OreSat

Jan. 2017 – present

Coordinated the design of all mechanical subsystems in Oregon's first satellite Maintained the top-level SolidWorks assembly of the satellite

Incorporated constraints from NASA, NanoRacks, and OreSat electrical subsystems

Worked across engineering disciplines to resolve highly coupled designs

Led analysis and design reviews

• Lab Manager, PSU Electronics Prototyping Lab

Jan. 2018 - present

Maintained equipment and lab space

Trained students on prototyping equipment

Ran the lab's parts store

EMPLOYMENT

• Mechanical Lead, Pacific Diabetes Technologies

Sep. 2018 - Present

Created designs, models, and drawings for patent applications

Designed miniaturized assemblies for 3D printing and injection molding

Tools

- Composites manufacturing (wet, dry, high/low-temperature), metal working
- 3D printers (FDM, SLA, SLS), laser cutters, mills, lathes, hand tools
- PCB routers, soldering (hand, re-flow), oscilloscopes, various microscopes

- R, MATLAB, C++, Python, Bash, Vim, Git, SolidWorks, Abaqus, AutoCAD, GIMP, Inkscape
- LATEX, Microsoft Office, Libre Office, Google Docs, etc.
- Ubuntu, Windows

SMALL PROJECTS

In addition to the projects below, you can check out the rest of my portfolio at github.com/Joedang.

- OpenFOAM analysis
 - A simulation of supersonic flow around the nosecone of PSAS' new rocket, used to inform its design and estimate aerodynamic heating.
- PSAS Asset Tracking System
 - Created a specification and front-end in R Shiny for a website to track part maintenance and ownership.
- Restricted 3-body simulation
 - An R script for investigating the motion of satellites within planet-moon systems.
- Ballistic trajectory simulation
 - Realistic scenarios of short-range ballistic motion of various projectiles on different planets, accounting for buoyancy, drag, centrifugal, and Coriolis effects written in R.
- N-body simulation
 - Various scenarios involving an arbitrary number of charged massive particles written in MATLAB.
- Wearable device enclosure
 - Created a 3D printed enclosure for a wearable sensor prototype for APDM using SolidWorks.

References

Supervisors

Andrew Greenberg – PSAS director Erik Sánchez, PhD – professor Erin Schmidt – former PSAS mechanical lead Chris Clark – EPL director

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