KIVANC YILDIZ

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EXPERIENCE

Tesla, Inc. Bay Area, California Dec 2022 - Present

Senior Mechanical Design Engineer

- Leading mechanical design for next generation rare-earth free motors
- Managing 3D CAD and 2D drawings for rotor components and assemblies
- Assessing structural integrity of designed parts through CAE analysis with ANSYS
- Driving new technology development in magnet technology, and balancing strategies
- Mentoring junior engineers and interns
- Developing relations with suppliers by travelling globally and understanding their constraints
- Collaborating with vendors to improve design with DFM practices and identifying opportunities for process improvement

Mechanical Design Engineer

Feb 2020 - Dec 2022

- Assumed ownership of various motor components such as rotor shaft and phase junction for Model 3/Y from design, manufacturing feedback, and validation testing
- **Released** 3D CAD and 2D **drawings** for motor components
- Designed test fixtures for various stator component testing
- Conducted sub-component testing on rotor parts and reported on the data
- Developed an automated high voltage electrical tester for partial discharge using Python

Intern, Motor Mechanical Design

Aug 2019 – Dec 2019

- Helped develop a growth measurement system for the carbon sleeve rotor
- Performed stack ups with thermal expansion for assembly components
- Modeled products with CATIA V5 and created engineering drawings
- Analyzed mechanical components for failure

Intern, Test Engineering

Jan 2018 – Aug 2018

- Increased serviceability and lifetime of the Drive Unit Controller tester by creating custom PCBs using Altium
- Identified connectors on vehicle level wiring schematic to design and fabricate custom enclosures for low voltage testers with power supplies, relays, CAN dongles, and displays
- Designed and sourced various testing fixtures

ACADEMIC RESEARCH

University of Ottawa / National Research Council Canada

Sep 2018 - Dec 2019

Transpiration Cooling Efficiency of Porous Materials

Ottawa, Ontario

- Published a paper on Pressure Sensitive Paint Study of Transpiration Cooling Efficiency of Porous Materials and presented at ISABE 2019 conference in Australia (ISABE-2019-24269)
- Developed testing procedures for systematic paint application and data collection using a low-speed wind tunnel, CCD camera, and a UV light source
- Implemented a variation of polynomial regression model in Python using Sci-kit Learn to identify partial pressure of oxygen at any given location on the sample using pressure sensitive paint

EDUCATION

University of Ottawa

Sep 2013 - Jun 2019

Ottawa, Ontario

Bachelor of Applied Science, Mechanical Engineering (CO-OP)

President of Mechanical Engineering Student Society

Scholarships: University of Ottawa Merit Scholarship (2019), NSERC Industrial Research Award (2018, 2017)