

# Miguel Aresta

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## EDUCATION

### University of Southampton, Southampton, UK

- MSc in Aerodynamics & Computation  
• Thesis: Automatic-Differentiation in Computational Fluid Dynamics  
• Adviser: Prof. Gabriel Weymouth  
• Focus: CFD, Computer Programming, Numerics

Sep 2020 – Sep 2021

### University of Nottingham, Nottingham, UK

- BEng in Aerospace Engineering  
• Thesis: A Computational Framework for Aircraft Conceptual and Preliminary Design  
• Adviser: Professor Mark Jabbal  
• Focus: Aircraft Design, Computational Aerodynamics  
• Graduated with First Class Honours

Sep 2017 – Jul 2020

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

### University of Nottingham, Nottingham, UK

- Undergraduate Research Student, Science Department  
• Project: CubeSat hosting a biological experiment - testing the effects cosmic-radiation and microgravity on cancer cells.  
I used my CAE skills to design and build a prototype radiation detector (photo-scintillator) which was completed ahead of schedule.  
• Supervisors: Dr. Chantal Cappelletti  
• Focus: Space Systems Engineering, Space Medicine

Nov 2018 – Dec 2019

## PUBLICATIONS

### JOURNALS

- [1] M. Aresta "An Integrated Computational Framework for Airplane Conceptual and Preliminary Design," *Gagarin Science Conference 2020, Moscow Aviation Institute*, pp. 1666–1667, Feb 2020.

### CONFERENCES

- [1] M. Aresta and M. Jabbal, "An Integrated Computational Framework for Airplane Conceptual & Preliminary Design," in *RAeS Applied Aerodynamics Research Conference (Postponed)*, Bristol, UK, Jul 2020.

## AWARDS & CERTIFICATES

### Flight Laboratory Course, National Flying Laboratory Centre, Cranfield, UK F1 in Schools, CITEVE, Portugal

Mar 2019

- Research & Development Prize, Team Foxtrot One, F1 in Schools, Portugal  
• For use of CFD and parametric CAD to optimize our model car.

Mar 2019

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE & ACTIVITIES

### Marble Aerospace Limited, Chippenham, UK

- Lead Aerospace Engineer  
▪ Successfully implemented a physics-based approach to aerodynamic design, improving the company's engineering process by increasing fidelity and lowering uncertainty.  
▪ Tackled all aerodynamics and stability problems and increased collective understanding and best practices on UAV design.  
▪ MRB5 VTOL UAV concept design, CAD framework and aerodynamic layout.  
▪ MRB4 and MRB5 flight-test activities and flight-performance data analysis.  
▪ CAE calculations using in-house (written in C and Python) and commercial codes for multi-physics calculations  
▪ Deployed in Senegal and Costa Rica for BVLOS engineering support, passionately supporting the stakeholders interests.  
▪ Technical content writing for the company's CAA certification for BVLOS operation in the UK.  
▪ CAD Admin for CATIA V5 and responsible for company-wide policies and strategy.

Aug 2021 – Present

### Project Boom, Oklahoma, USA

- Aerodynamics CAD Lead (remote internship)

- Best practices in the usage of Euler solvers, methodology validation for high-speed flows  
Jun 2020 – Oct 2020

**Unitemps, Nottingham, UK**

- Aerospace Student Ambassador 2018 – 20
  - I used my enthusiasm and knowledge of Aerospace to provide prospective students and parents a comprehensive and insightful presentation of the course as well as facilities at the University of Nottingham.

**Royal Aeronautical Society (RAeS), Nottingham, UK**

- Nottinghamshire Branch Secretary Mar 2019 – 2004

**CAMPUS  
ACTIVITIES**

**Faculty of Engineering, University of Nottingham, UK**

- Aerospace Course Representative during Year 1 and Year 2 2017 – 2019
  - Managed to get lecturers to work on a common assignment calendar, so as to avoid deadline conflicts. Liaised with my colleagues and the Course Director to reach a common understanding and improve our student experience and course syllabus.

**LANGUAGES**

- Portuguese: Native language.
- English: Fluent at native level.
- Russian: Intermediate (reading); basic (speaking, writing).
- French: Basic (reading, speaking, writing).
- Spanish: Basic (reading, speaking, writing).

**SKILLS**

- Computer Aided Design (CAD): CATIA V5 (since 2014), CATIA V6, 3DEXperience. Proefficient in 3D surfacing, parametric design, formulas/laws, DFM etc.
- Computational Fluid Dynamics (CFD): Commercial codes (FLUENT, STAR-CCM+); Open Source (SU2, OpenFOAM, etc)
- $\text{\LaTeX}$  &  $\text{\TeX}$ ,
- C (programming language) : Proefficient
- Fortran (90 to 2018): Intermediate (knowledge of parallel programming and coarrays)
- C++ : Working knowledge
- Graphics Programming: OpenGL and associated wrappers
- C++: Basic
- Python: Intermediate (very good working knowledge)
- MATLAB
- 3D-printing (SLA, FDM): Proefficient
- UNIX-based systems: Proefficient (desktop); Basic(Server, Cluster/HPC)

**INTERESTS**

**REFERENCES**

- **Mathieu Johnsson**  
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- **Professor Mark Jabbal**  
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