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Work Experience

Lockheed Martin Skunk Works

August 2023 - Present

Manufacturing Engineer

- Root Cause Analysis and corrective action during aircraft assembly, disassembly, and flight verification maximizing first-time-right principles
- Design and manufacture tooling for advanced aeronautical systems including ailerons, empennage, and aft body assemblies
- Compiled and verified program tooling records using data science saving millions of dollars in lost efficiency and improving just in time manufacturing

Aerojet Rocketdyne

May 2022 – August 2022

Project & Component Engineering Intern

- Designed Liquid Divert and Attitude Thruster Control System manifold, valves, and injector for Interceptor Program
- Improved process efficiency of Manufacturing Bill of Materials creation by over 99.6% utilizing advanced data science
- Created Qualification and Acceptance standards utilizing strict SMC and AIAA requirements for testing and flight readiness
- Presented feasibility research and results to industry-leading subject matter experts on both thruster and injector assemblies

NASA Armstrong Flight Research Center

January 2022 – May 2022

Controls System Engineering Intern

- Developed electromechanical interface and flight control system for human sized quadcopters
- Modeled and simulated flight controllers and high power motors using control system fundamentals and novel integration
- Worked with and designed PWM-based motors with transient disturbances and damping
- Designed Matlab SIMULINK model and library that will be used between NASA centers

NASA Stennis Office of STEM Engagement

August 2021 – December 2021

Program & Planning Intern

- Designed on-site experience for future NASA NCAS Scholars focusing on competitive time-limited engineering challenges
- Project will be adopted at other NASA Centers for their specific NCAS programs exhibiting great modularity

Santa Clarita Community College District

June 2019 – June 2020

Student Trustee

- Elected by peers to represent 30,000 students as the sole student representative on the SCCC Board of Trustees
- Introduced sweeping legislation towards environmental sustainability
- Orchestrated & led student marches and demonstrations for justice, accountability, and progress

Education

California State Polytechnic University, Pomona

May 2023

B.S. Aerospace Engineering, Astronomy Minor

GPA: 3.76

Skills & Abilities

Practical: Root Cause Analysis, Avionics Design and Integration, PCB Design, Program Management, Component Integration

Software: Python, C++, MATLAB, C, SolidWorks, CREO, Fusion 360, Altium, Microsoft Office Suite, Adobe Premiere

Industrial: Project Development, Systems Engineering, Technical Writing, Manufacturing Design, Controls Engineering

Publications

Aranda, Basil P., et al. "Design of Dual Mars Ascent Vehicle MAVERICK." *American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics* AIAA 2023-4779, 2023, <https://doi.org/10.2514/6.2023-4779>.