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# Aaron Feng

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## Experience

**Apple** / Mechanical Engineer - Cupertino, CA

June 2025 - present

- Developing exploratory display solutions using ambient light sensor, optics, controls considerations and techniques
- Applied computer vision, image segmentation to analyze components, volumetric allocation, IR contours

**General Motors** / Virtual Design Development (CAE) Engineer - Warren, MI

July 2024 - June 2025

- Created modal analysis, fatigue, and g-loading FEA models, satisfying shock/vibration requirements for sensor bracket
- Conducted charge port structural analysis based on identified load cases to drive future fastener design scope

**Relativity Space** / Integrated Performance Engineer Intern - Long Beach, CA

May 2024 - July 2024

- Built convection GUI to automate first principles hand calculations for 10+ configurations
- Created and analyzed thermal models of Terran R throttle valve actuator/mechanism and thermal protection system, verifying thermal requirements were fulfilled, and generated instrumentation/test plans
- Developed transient computational model of frost formation using propellant fill rate, enhancing boil-off quantification
- Implemented postprocessing tool using API for heat flow between component subgroups, reducing runtime by ~95%

**Rivian** / Aerothermal Systems Engineer Intern - Irvine, CA

May 2022 - Aug 2022

- Automated StarCCM+ simulation workflow, reducing preprocessing time by 66%
- Owned insulation hardware development for human comfort through rapid design iteration by optimizing geometry and configuration, then conducted material stack and fan development testing, with implementation in 15,000 vehicles
- Evaluated heat management by determining evaporator cooling power for ambient conditions and quantifying benefits of roof surface treatment and material selection for EDV and R1S, resulting in potential range improvements of ~2%

**Tesla** / Manufacturing Engineer Intern - Austin, TX

Jan 2022 - May 2022

- Streamlined Model Y fascia assembly line and reduced cycle time by using process flow layouts and time studies
- Designed and fabricated 2QPC buffer storage and quality inspection lighting using commercial parts, saving ~80% cost
- Established work/operations procedures for production, trained operators, managed stakeholders and vendors
- Proposed and led key design change review, reducing finished goods transfer time by 70%

**H.A. Automotive Systems** / Design Engineer Intern - Troy, MI

Jun 2021 - Jan 2022

- Designed, assembled, validated green filter taillamp prototype, generating \$100,000 market value revenue
- Employed DFMEA, DFM, and CAD modeling for plastic/metal components/enclosures, improving structural stiffness

## Activities

**University of Michigan** / Graduate Student Instructor - Ann Arbor, MI

Jan 2024 - Dec 2024

- Instructed lab sections totalling 60+ students with 95% satisfaction; taught students to run vibration, vapor compression cycle, tensile/fracture toughness, DC motor control, turbomachine, wind tunnel experiments and analyze data

**Illinois Space Society** / NASA RASC-AL Competition Subteam Lead

Aug 2019 - May 2021

- 2021 finalist team; led radiation/MMOD protection, mechanical systems, FEA of deployable lunar habitat structure
- 2020 finalist team; researched nuclear propulsion, defined systems level specifications for Mars mission architecture

## Skills

- C++, Java, Python, JavaScript, MATLAB, TensorFlow; NX, CATIA, SolidWorks, AutoCad; ANSA, HyperMesh
- Thermal Desktop, Ansys, TaiTherm, StarCCM+, Adams, Abaqus; STK (Lvl 1 Certified), EAGLE
- 3D printing, Mill, Lathe, Laser cut, Water jet, GD&T

## Honors & Awards

- University of Michigan: Dean's List, University Honors, James B. Angell Scholar, Budd Scholarship
- University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign: Dean's List, James Scholar

## Education

**MSE/BSE Mechanical Engineering**, University of Michigan Ann Arbor (GPA: 4.00)

Jan 2024 - Dec 2024

- Digital Control Sys, Finite Element Methods, Adv Batteries, Robotic Kinematics & Dynamics, Microelectromechanical Sys, Design Optimization, Experimental Design, Nanofab

Aug 2021 - Dec 2023

**BS Aerospace Engineering (transfer)**, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign (GPA: 3.80)

Jun 2019 - May 2021

- Discrete Structures, Data Structures, Flight/Orbital Mechanics, Comp Architecture, Numerical Methods, Algorithms