Eric Crisp

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EDUCATION

University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA

Jan 2025 - Dec 2025

M.Sc., Data Science

Pennsylvania State University, State College, PA

Aug 2015 - May 2021

M.Sc., Mechanical Engineering B.Sc., Aerospace Engineering

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Programming Python, C++, MATLAB

JavaScript

Data, AI/ML TensorFlow, PyTorch, Scikit-learn Tools & DevOps Docker, AWS, CI

SQL, Spark, Pandas, Numpy Git, React, Node.js

Summary

I aim to successfully transition into a role related to ethical AI development, after several rewarding years in the aerospace field. With years of industry experience culminating as a Lead Engineer, I gained significant engineering, analysis, leadership, and communication skills and experience that will blend with the skills and knowledge in AI/ML, software development and data science developed at the University of Pennsylvania.

EXPERIENCE

Lead Aerospace Engineer, Real-Time Modeling Blue Origin, Seattle, WA

Apr 2022 - Nov 2024

- Led a small, multi-disciplined team responsible for all RTM (real-time model) activities across Blue Origin.
- Developed RTMs for use in HIL, test support, controller development, and requirements validation.
- Served as RTM project manager from project conception by managing scope, deliverables, and deligation.
- Identified critical software bugs on flight HIL systems via RTM integration, increasing reliability and value.
- Reduced testing manpower requirements by up to 35% with RTM, accelerating development timelines.
- Effectively communicated the value and impact of technical outcomes from RTM to both technical and non-technical steakholders.
- Architected the RTM framework and developed source code, tooling, supporting algorithms and solvers.

Propulsion Development Engineer, Combustion Devices Firefly Aerospace, Austin, TX

May 2021 - Apr 2022

- Developed an automated thermal-structural design process that reduced engine production costs by 12%.
- Contributed to clean sheet engine design through production, exceeding performance requirements by 4%.
- Conducted root cause investigations of failures and implementated systematic and engineering solutions.
- Enhanced engine test visibility with automated visualizations of the engine state relative to test sequence.

Personal Projects

Home Projects: Software Development, Data Science, Machine Learning Jan 2025 – Present

- need to beef this section up big, haven't really had the skills/background and or time to put much time into useful home projects until this semester.
- Built a full-stack application using AWS-hosted databases, React, and Node.js, applying NLP to help users identify restaurants in their city, discover similar options, and receive personalized meal and restaurant
- Developed a full-stack web application integrating a Spotify dataset hosted on an RDS instance, leveraging the React API abd and Node. is for backend functionality.
- Implemented PCA, SVM, K-means, linear and logistic regression with gradient descent, lasso, ridge, and net elesatic regression from scratch.

OTHER ACTIVITIES AND AWARDS

Blue Origin Engines Challenge Award

Jul 2022

Awarded for technical successes in developing the real-time modeling capabilities at Blue Origin.

Blue Origin Liftoff Award

Jan 2023

Nominated by peers and team members for leadership, technical excellence, and having a bias for action.