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	**Data Science, AI/ML**	**Tools & DevOps**
`Python, C++, MATLAB`	`TensorFlow, PyTorch, Scikit-learn`	`Docker, AWS, CI`
`JavaScript`	`SQL, Spark, Pandas, Numpy`	`Git, React, Node`

SUMMARY

I am seeking to transition into data science or AI/ML engineering, leveraging the engineering, analytical, and leadership experience I've developed throughout my career alongside the foundational AI/ML skills developed at the University of Pennsylvania.

EXPERIENCE

Engine Systems Analyst III, Real-Time Modeling — Apr 2022 – Nov 2024
Blue Origin, Seattle, WA

- 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 including trade studies and performance optimization.
- 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 — May 2021 – Apr 2022
Firefly Aerospace, Austin, TX

- 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.

PROJECTS

Fundamental Physics Models from Physics Informed Neural Networks — Aug 2025 – Present

- Investigating the use of neural-symbolic approaches that combine Physics-Informed Neural Networks (PINNs) with symbolic differentiation to dynamically derive optimally simplified representations of governing PDEs.
- Developing PINN architectures and supporting functionality from scratch while selectively leveraging open-source libraries including PyTorch, JAX, and CoolProp.
- Identifying violations of fundamental conservation laws (energy, mass, momentum) to provide insights into model architecture limitations and improve interpretability within scientific computing domains.

Machine Learning Pipeline for Food Classification and Health Scoring — Jun 2025 – Jul 2025

- Built an ML pipeline to classify food items and generate health scores using supervised learning algorithms, with model optimization through GridSearchCV hyperparameter tuning achieving 91% accuracy on test data.
- Implemented comprehensive data preprocessing using Pandas for large-scale dataset manipulation, NLTK for ingredient text processing and nutritional analysis, applied normalization, imputation, and encoding for PCA, and automated visualizations in postprocessing with Seaborn and Matplotlib.

Restaurant Reccomendation System — May 2025 – Jun 2025

- Developed a full-stack restaurant recommendation application using PostgreSQL on AWS RDS, React frontend, Node.js backend with RESTful APIs, and NLTK for natural language processing. Implemented location-based search, similarity matching, and personalized recommendations with optimized SQL queries.

AWARDS AND ACTIVITIES

Blue Origin Engines Challenge Award — Jul 2022
Awarded for technical successes in developing the real-time modeling capabilities at Blue Origin.