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#### **EDUCATION**

Carnegie Mellon University | Mechanical Engineering, BS, Pittsburgh, PA

**August 2019-Present** 

#### **SKILLS**

- Ansys Suite, Solidworks, Python, C#, C++, HTML, CSS, JavaScript, Unity, Blender, Photoshop
- Computational Design, Thermodynamics, Fluid Dynamics, Heat Transfer, Thermal Fluids, Statics, Stress Analysis, Dynamics Systems and Controls, Engineering Design

# **PROJECTS**

- Numerical Simulation Of High Speed Rail In Tunnel Systems | Designed a numerical model to describe the flow around high speed rail in tunnel systems; discovered that adding sawtooth pressure outlet chambers can reduce pressure transients by nearly 12%.
- "Angle of Attack": A dynamic flight simulator and exploration game | Designed from scratch using Blender and Python. Won 1st place among 400 students in Fundamentals of Programming (15-112) course. Video Demonstration: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bgEc\_JE1PFs&t=54s.
- **120mm CPU Fan** | Designed and built a computer 120mm CPU fan capable of providing adequate cooling to a AMD FX 6300 while under load. The Fan performed within 5 degrees of the Corsair SP120 which was the industry standard at the time.

#### WORK EXPERIENCE

## Air Force ROTC | Detachment 730 | Pittsburgh, PA

August 2019 - Present

Detachment Vice Wing Commander; Assists Cadet Wing Commander and Air staff in coordination of cadet activities – ensures cadets are adequately prepared for commission into the USAF and USSF.

## **Research Assistant** | Harvard University/CMU | Pittsburgh, PA

September 2022 - Present

- Designing a computational conjugate heat transfer model for the vitrification of mosquito larvae using Ansys Transient Thermal.
- Model can accurately determine temperature gradients in larvae and offer a recommended minimum cryoprotective agent concentration to increase survivability of larvae.

## **Software Engineer** | Toyz Electronics | Pittsburgh, PA

September 2022 - December 2022

- Directed optimization of game asset and texture files for educational video game "Dah-Varsity"
- Texture memory usage reduced by over 50% framerate increased for a smoother user experience.

## **College Technical Specialist** | Lockheed Martin | Sunnyvale, CA

May 2022 - September 2022

- Repaired motor controllers for modal/jitter analysis of the Next-Generation Overhead Persistent InfraRed (NGG OPIR) satellite – saved team nearly \$100,000 in expenses.
- Designed and performed a high potential test on cable harness met USSF expectations.

#### **Thermal Modeling and Simulation Intern** | RDH

**December 2021 - May 2022** 

Prepared the geometry, meshing, and boundary conditions for the thermal analysis of building enclosures using Solidworks; Model prediction was accurate within acceptable margins.

## **AWARDS/CERTIFICATIONS**