# **KELVIN LEUNG**

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#### **EDUCATION**

# **Massachusetts Institute of Technology**

2019 - Present

S.M. in Aeronautics and Astronautics

Uncertainty Quantification (UQ) Group, Aerospace Computational Design Lab (ACDL)

**Cumulative GPA**: 5.0/5.0

Major: Aerospace Computational Engineering

## **University of Toronto**

2015 - 2019

B.ASc. in Engineering Science, Major in Aerospace Engineering

**Cumulative GPA**: 3.95/4.00 (High Honours)

Entrance Scholarships: President's Scholar of Excellence, Delta Tau Delta Award

In-course Scholarships: Dean's Scholar of Excellence, Kenneth Ward Smith Scholarship

#### **WORK AND RESEARCH EXPERIENCE**

# **Massachusetts Institute of Technology**

2020 - Present

Research Assistant, Dept. of Aeronautics and Astronautics (Supervisor: Prof. Youssef Marzouk)

- Project objective to develop Bayesian methods for Earth remote sensing applications that are sufficiently fast for operations.
- Develop approximations of radiative transfer models using machine learning techniques.
- Investigate methods of dimension reduction.
- Implement Markov chain Monte Carlo (MCMC) algorithms using these structures to accelerate posterior sampling.

#### University of Toronto Institute for Aerospace Studies (UTIAS) 2018 – 2019

Thesis Student (Supervisor: Prof. David Zingg)

- Project objective is to investigate stability of eigensystems resulting from summation-byparts (SBP) operators.
- Implementing methods to increase stability such as rearrangement of governing equation into split forms and artificial dissipation.

## **University of Michigan**

**Summer 2018** 

Research Assistant, Dept. of Aerospace Engineering (Supervisor: Prof. J. R. A. Martins)

 Performed CFD analysis for airfoils using various RANS and Euler solvers using Flux High-Performance Computing Cluster.

- Compiled CFD results into open-sourced airfoil design tool that performs airfoil analysis and optimization using a surrogate model (<a href="http://webfoil.engin.umich.edu/">http://webfoil.engin.umich.edu/</a>).
- Conducted mesh refinement studies to validate CFD results.
- Performed airfoil optimizations and created a comprehensive tutorial for airfoil optimization within the lab framework.

# **German Aerospace Center (DLR)**

**Summer 2017** 

Research Intern, Institute of Propulsion Technology

- Implemented various signal processing methods for wave number decomposition.
- Validated signal processing methods with analytic signals and applied the methods to experimental acoustic data from measurements inside aircraft engine ducts.

### University of Toronto Institute for Aerospace Studies (UTIAS)

**Summer 2016** 

Research Assistant (Supervisor: Prof. Philippe Lavoie)

- Project objective was to develop an optimization program that outputs propeller designs for unmanned aerial vehicle (UAV) quadcopters given specified flight conditions.
- Developed a MATLAB program to compute the performance model of a propeller, including propeller thrust and efficiency, given its geometric parameters.

# **Carleton University**

2013 - 2014

Student Researcher, Dept. of Mech. and Aerospace Engineering (Supervisor: Prof. M. Yaras)

- Performed flow visualization testing on wind turbine blades with tubercles in a water channel to improve turbine efficiency.
- Published research paper, "Investigation on Wind Turbine Blades with Tubercles".
- Presented research at International Conference on Green Materials and Environmental Engineering in Hong Kong (Sept. 2014).

#### **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

# **Teaching Assistant – 16.100 Aerodynamics**

2019

Aeronautics and Astronautics, MIT

- Hold weekly recitation sessions for a junior-level aerodynamics course.
- Assist in devising weekly problem sets and course project on aircraft design.
- Supervise and grade examinations.
- Hold weekly office hours and provide external assistance to students as needed.

## **Undergraduate Teaching Assistant – MAT186/MAT187**

2018 - 2019

Department of Mathematics, University of Toronto

- Review course content and help students solve problems in two tutorial sessions per week for two first-year calculus courses.
- Grading quizzes and supervising examinations throughout the semester.

#### PROJECT EXPERIENCE

#### **Aerospace Design Projects**

2018 - 2019

- Designed and constructed a remotely piloted aircraft to minimize a multi-objective cost.
- Systems design for orbiting space telescope using a top-down approach, including the electrical, GNC, data, and structures subsystems, partnered with MDA Corp. Developed sets of requirements and performed trade studies.

#### **Construction of Autonomous Robot**

2017

- Designed and prototyped a fully autonomous robot that sorts cans for recycling.
- Responsible for implementation of digital and analog interfacing electronics, including circuit design and wiring.
- Placed 1st in the final competition in a semester-long engineering design course.

# **University of Toronto Aerospace Team**

2015 - 2017

- Designed and manufactured the combustion chamber liner for a suborbital rocket.
- Assisted in the design and construction of a quadcopter.
- Designed components for a quadcopter using Solidworks.

#### AWARDS AND PUBLICATIONS

Engineering Science Research Opportunity Fund (ESROP) – International	2018
Research Internships in Science and Engineering (RISE) funded by MITACS	2017
Engineering Science Research Opportunity Fund (ESROP) – Domestic	2016
K. Leung, "Investigation of Wind Turbine Blades with Tubercles", Advanced	2014
Materials Research, Vol. 1051, pp. 832-839, 2014.	

#### **SKILLS**

Courses: Statistics, optimization, stochastic modelling, numerical methods for PDEs

Programming: Python, MATLAB, SQL, TensorFlow, C, Java

Languages: Native speaker of English, Mandarin, Cantonese. Proficient in French, Korean.