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#### **EDUCATION**

## University of California, Davis, California USA

• Ph.D. Candidate in Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering

Sep 2013 – Jun 2019

Thesis: Computational Fluid Dynamics Simulation and Validation of Parachute Pendulum Motion

- · CFD simulation of unsteady aerodynamics due pendulum motion of rigid parachute geometry
- · Validation and calibration by comparison to large-scale wind tunnel test
- Insight into root cause of dynamic instability of fully-deployed parachutes

Advisor: Dr. Stephen Robinson

Aerospace Engineering, B.S. and Mechanical Engineering, B.S.

Jun 2013

Graduated with College Honors

#### **EXPERIENCE**

### Johnson Space Center, National Aeronautics and Space Administration

Pathways Intern, Applied Aeroscience and CFD Branch (EG3) Projects: Jun 2014 – Present

- Dynamic simulations of Orion parachute oscillations
- · Optimization of Orion Flush Air Data System sensor array
- Transonic stability analysis of RED-Data2 re-entry heating probe

Supervisors: Steve Labbe and Ben Kirk

USRA Intern, Aircraft Operations Division (CC3)
 Projects:

Jul 2013 – Sep 2013

- Projects:

   Designed and conducted pitot-static calibration for WB-57 aircraft
- Assisted in Reduced Gravity Operations safety inspections

Supervisors: Gregory Johnson and Jack Woods

## University of California, Davis

- Teaching Assistant, Department of Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering Courses:

  Sep 2013 – Present
  - · Applied Aerodynamics: Compressible/transonic, viscous flow, finite wings, aircraft equilibrium, panel methods
  - Computational Aerodynamics: 2D finite difference Euler methods, transonic small-disturbance theory
  - Stability and Control of Aerospace Vehicles: State-space representation, longitudinal and lateral stability
  - Rocket Propulsion: Fluid and thermodynamics of liquid and solid rocket engines

Supervisors: Dr. Stephen Robinson, Dr. Jean-Pierre Delplanque, Dr. Ron Hess, and Dr. Mohamed Hafez

# CAMPUS ACTIVITIES

# **Advanced Modeling Aeronautics Team**, UC Davis

Captain

Sep 2011 – Jun 2013

- Competed in the Society of Automotive Engineers (SAE) 2013 Aero Design West Competition
- Placed 2nd internationally in overall competition
- Designed and manufactured a model aircraft optimized for specific mission requirements
- Managed team members throughout all stages of the design process

# PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS & ACTIVITIES

#### American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics, UC Davis Chapter, Davis, California

Member

2011 - 2014

# SKILLS Documentation/Presentation

■ LaTeX, Beamer, Microsoft Word, Power Point

Computing

 Linux, Python, MATLAB, FORTRAN, C++, High Performance Computing, MPI/OpenMP Computational Fluid Dynamics

OVERFLOW, OpenFOAM, Chimera Grid Tools, Pointwise, Tecplot 360, ParaView

AWARDS &
SCHOLARSHIPS

- Group Achievement Award, National Aeronautics and Space Administration
   For development of an advanced heatshield flight experiment as part of the Xby2016 effort, helping extend the knowledge of aerothermal and TPS modeling through flight
- Joseph L. Steger Fellowship, Joseph L. Steger Foundation 2016 2018 Fellowship awarded in recognition of outstanding academic record and excellent work in the area of Computational Fluid Dynamics
- Outstanding Achievement, NASA Johnson Space Center Office of Education
   For outstanding contributions as an intern for the Johnson Space Center
- Service Award, UC Davis Department of Mechanical Engineering
   For service as the captain of the Advanced Modeling Aeronautics Team
- Regents' Scholar, University of California 2011 2013
  The most prestigious award on the UC Davis campus given to students entering with a GPA higher than 3.80
- Forrest Mitchell Award, Northern California Scholarship Federation
  For maintaining the highest GPA of any Junior scholarship recipient
- Engineering Dean's List, University of California, Davis
  For achieving a GPA in the top 16 percent of the College of Engineering
- Outstanding Achievement in Physics, Butte Community College
   For exceptional performance in the field of physics

#### LANGUAGES

- English: Native language
- Spanish: Basic (speaking, reading, writing)Russian: Basic (speaking, reading, writing)

### **INTERESTS**

Backpacking, running, digital photography, cooking

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