Callsign: KD2OHT

Education

U.S. Citizen

University of Michigan – Ann Arbor; M.Eng in Space Systems Engineering; 4.00/4.00 Dec 2021 B.S.E in Aerospace Engineering; Dec 2020 3.01/4.00

Technische Universität (TU) Berlin – Berlin, Germany; Renewable Energy Case Study (Study Abroad) Jul - Aug 2017

Work Experience

Avionics Systems Engineer II – Blue Origin, Advanced Development Programs

Mar 2022 – Present

(845) 507-3235, danqu@outlook.com

Redesigned C&DH architecture and reclaimed 6-months of schedule, successfully passing PDR

Kent, WA

- Designed initial vehicle timekeeping and C&DH fault architecture
- Defined flight computer and remote interface box requirements and specifications
- Drove down technical ambiguity in system-level requirements to reach feasible design
- Creating vehicle networking and data management schema

Systems and Test Engineering Intern – Astranis Space Technologies

May 2020 – Aug 2020 San Francisco, CA

Ref: Rico Walker, rbwalk@gmail.com

- Developed and executed HALT/HASS thermal test procedures for CTE mismatch testing
- Created spacecraft-level failure mode effects & criticality analysis (FMECA) for risk burndown/degraded sat ops
- Spearheaded logistics and streamlined qualification testing processes for flight-unit hardware

Satellite Test Engineering Intern – Blue Canyon Technologies, a Raytheon Company

May 2021 - Aug 2021

Boulder, CO

Ref: May Rosekrans, mrosekrans@bluecanyontech.com

• Interpreted board schematics to develop functional test procedures and enable automated checkouts, weekly Microsat bus production

Electrical Engineering Intern – Northrop Grumman Innovation Systems

Jun-Aug 2018; Jun-Aug 2019

Ref: Michael Meyers, michael.meyers@ngc.com

Gilbert, AZ; Dulles, VA

- Designed, built, and tested an emergency power cutoff (EPO) system for solar panel/battery charge test rack
- Determined root cause of failure for malfunctioning power distribution board
- Produced card-level first article testing procedures for a national security program
- Performed component-level worst case analyses and failure mode effects analysis for multiple cards
- Executed derating stress analyses and assessed risk of parts that fell out of qualification ranges

Spacecraft Bus Lead – Michigan Exploration Laboratory (MXL)

Jan 2020 – Mar 2022

Ref: James Cutler, jwcutler@umich.edu

Ann Arbor, MI

- Leading MARIO CubeSat build, integration and test for a team of 9 students
- Provided technical advisement and instruction on various spacecraft bus and payload tasking to teammates

Electrical Power Systems (EPS) Lead – Michigan Exploration Laboratory (MXL)

Jan 2018 – Jan 2020

- Revised electrical design to support additional batteries and solar panels for new power requirements
- Developed feasible design improvements to increase the capability of future iterations of the EPS system

Leadership Experience

American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics (AIAA) - Vice President of Events

2017 - 2019

• Organized all major AIAA events, company tours, and corporate visits

Ann Arbor, MI

• Headed 15-person week-long trip to SciTech 2019 conference in San Diego

Conferences/Publications

• Seitzer, P., Schachter, J., Szczerba, M., Gu, D., et al., Optical Tracking and Attitude Maui, HI Determination of LEO CubeSats with LEDs: A Balloon Demonstration. 2018 AMOS Technologies Conference, Maui Economic Development Board, Maui, Hawai'i, 2018.

Skills

Software – Experienced: Altium Designer, MATLAB/Simulink, LaTeX, DOORS Next Gen, Autodesk Inventor/AutoCAD

Software - Basic: LTSpice, OrCAD, Python, C/C++, Git, Bash, AGI STK (Lvl. 1 Cert), CATIA/STARCCM+