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WORK EXPERIENCE

Xact Metal, State College, PA, USA

Applications Engineer - LPBF Metal Additive Manufacturing

Mar 2023 – Present

- Researching & Developing printing parameters, collecting and analysing test data from DOEs
- Modeling, slicing, managing, and post-processing printed parts for a variety of industries and applications
- Designing and testing new products and add-ons for existing printers, and writing associated documentation
- Supporting sales team and customers around the world, generating reports, simulations, and case studies

Rice University, Houston, TX, USA

Research Assistant – Department of Statistics

May 2022 – Nov 2022

- Researched and employed Machine Learning techniques to classify large Astronomical datasets
- Developed Matlab algorithms to analyze, process, store, manage and display high-dimensional data and images

Federal University of Rio Grande do Sul (UFRGS), Porto Alegre, RS, Brazil

Feb 2019 – Jul 2021

Student Researcher / Teaching Assistant – Computational Methods in Physics

- Designed quantum mechanical interferometers based on the analysis of simulations developed in Python
- Reviewed and translated code from C to Python, and explained numerical simulations to 4 undergraduate classes

Auto Arte (Family Business), Porto Alegre, RS, Brazil

2018, 2020

Social Media Marketing / Management Intern and Automotive Repair Trainee

EDUCATION

RICE UNIVERSITY, Houston, TX

Aug 2021 - Dec 2022

Master's Degree in Space Studies - Aerospace Engineering [Awarded Merit-Based Scholarship] GPA: 3.85

- **Key Coursework / Projects:**

- **Computer Aided Design (CAD)** - Used SOLIDWORKS to design and analyze aerodynamics of propellers
- **Neural Image Synthesis** – Coded and utilized GANs, NeRFs and other image synthesis algorithms
- **Orbital Dynamics** – Created Matlab algorithms to simulate the trajectory of rockets
- **Algorithmic Robotics** – Designed algorithms to control robots using C++ and Python

Other: Multiphysics Modeling, Computational Fluid Dynamics, Product Management for I4.0, Machine Learning

UFRGS (Brazil) / LUND UNIVERSITY (Sweden - Exchange Student)

Jan 2017 – Aug 2021

Bachelor of Science in Physics – Focus on Astrophysics, and Computer Science electives

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Rice Eclipse Rocketry Team – Group member

Jan 2022 - Dec 2022

- Collaborated with other students on drafting, designing, simulating, prototyping, manufacturing, testing, and analyzing data from different components of the rocket (Launch Rail, Payload, Auto-Recovery Electronics)

Personal Projects

- 3D modeling and printing enthusiast with over 6 years of experience using a wide variety of software and printers

SKILLS - Computer-Aided Design, Research, Mechanical Engineering, 3D Printing (FDM/SLA/LPBF), Programming, Manufacturing, CNC, Laser and Plasma cutting, Soldering, Machine Learning, Product Management, Data Analysis, Data Science, Teamwork, Problem Solving

SOFTWARE - Blender, SOLIDWORKS, NX, Fusion 360, MATLAB, Python / Anaconda, C, C++, LaTeX / Overleaf, Colab, MS Office, Arduino, COLMAP / NeRF, ArcGIS, XFOIL, COMSOL, Ansys, Cura, Chitubox, Gcode, Raspberry Pi

SOLIDWORKS CERTIFICATES - Computer-Aided Manufacturing (CAM), Additive Manufacturing, Mechanical Design (sketches, parts, assemblies), Model-Based Definition (MBD, PMI, GD&T), Drawing Tools, and Simulation

LANGUAGE SKILLS - English, Portuguese, Japanese (Studying, N4~N3 level), Spanish (Intermediate)