### Alex Ren

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### **EDUCATION**

### **Georgia Institute of Technology**

Atlanta, GA

MS Aerospace Engineering, GPA: 4.0/4.0

Expected May 2026

### **Johns Hopkins University**

Baltimore, MD

Bachelor of Science, Mechanical Engineering, GPA: 3.93/4.0

May 2024

• Honors: General & Departmental Honors, Tau Beta Pi, Pi Tau Sigma (VP), Dean's List (6x)

#### **EXPERIENCE**

Georgia Institute of Technology: Verticaly Integrated Projects – Hypersonics

Atlanta, GA

### **Data and Communications Division Lead**

Jan 2025 - Present

- Leading team of seven in researching communication in hypersonic flight and hypersonic data acquisition
- Developing and implementing data transmission strategies in extreme aerothermodynamic environments
- Collaborate with interdisciplinary teams to acquire flight data in hypersonic conditions

Tate, Inc. Jessup, MD

# Design Engineer

Sep 2023 – May 2024

Jun 2023 – Aug 2023

## **Data Center Engineering Intern**

- Invented expandable blanking panel for data center containment enhancing size adaptability and reducing carbon footprint through minimized leakage flow (patent pending)
- Designed and built experimental testing setup to evaluate blanking panel performance of various connection types by quantifying and analyzing leakage flow
- Developed streamlined organization system for engineering tools and prototypes, enhancing workflow efficiency and accessibility

Johns Hopkins University: Department of Mechanical Engineering

Baltimore, MD

# **Teaching Assistant**

Jan 2023 - May 2024

- Assisted Mechanics-Based Design, Manufacturing Engineering, and Design and Analysis of Dynamical Systems courses with class sizes of 45 to 55 students
- Led office hours and review sessions and graded assignments to enhance student learning

Johns Hopkins University: Fluid Transport Lab

Baltimore, MD

## **Undergraduate Researcher**

Nov 2021 - May 2023

- Developed portable holography system for high-speed 2D imaging with 3D reconstruction at up to 20,000 fps for a 10mm field of view
- Designed and conducted experiments on microbubble ( $< 100 \mu m$  diameter) coalescence and fragmentation
- NSF REU Fellowship: Conducted research under mentorship of Prof. Rui Ni in summer 2022

### **EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES**

AstroJays Rocketry Team, Johns Hopkins University

Baltimore, MD

Vice President

May 2023 - May 2024

**Propulsion Subsystem Lead** 

May 2022 - May 2024

**Propulsion Engineer** 

September 2020 – May 2022

- Led development of club's first student-researched and developed single-stage rocket motor
- Optimized nozzle geometry using Ansys CFD to enhance propulsion efficiency
- Designed custom motor interfaces and thrust stands for rocket motor performance testing
- 2021 Friends of Amateur Rockery 10k Category 2nd: Awarded based on apogee accuracy and payloads

## **SKILLS**

Software: Ansys CFX, Ansys Fluent, Matlab, Microsoft Office, Solidworks Manufacturing: 3D Printing, Laser Cutter, Lathe, Mill, Water Jet, Wire EDM