

## Ke Ding

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### EDUCATION

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#### The Ohio State University (OSU)

Columbus, OH

##### **B.S. in Mechanical Engineering; Minor: Studio Art**

08/2015-05/2020

- GPA: 3.30/4.0; Dean's List (Spring 2017, Autumn 2018, Spring 2020)
- Core Courses: *Measurements and Data Analysis; System Integration and Control; Fluid Mechanics; Design and Analysis of Machine Element I&II; Vehicle Dynamics; Computer Aided Design and Manufacturing*

##### **M.S. in Biomedical Engineering;**

01/2021-12/2022

- GPA: 3.85/4.0
- Core Courses: *Advanced Numerical Simulations and Modeling in BME; Design of Engineering Experiments; Mechanobiology of the Musculoskeletal system; Polymers in Bioengineering; Introduction to Assist Tech; Biomedical Microdevice*

##### **Ph.D. in Integrated System Engineering;**

01/2023-Present

- GPA: 3.88/4.0
- Core Courses: *Design of Engineering Experiments; Principles of Occupational Biomechanics and Ergonomics; Ergonomics in the Product Design Process; Risk Assessment Tools for Occupational Musculoskeletal Disorders, Neural Networks*

### PUBLICATION & CONFERENCES

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Co, Megan., Ding, Ke., Walter, B.A. "Modeling the Effects of Hydration on Viscoelastic Properties of Nucleus Pulposus Tissue in Shear and Compression using the Fractional Zener Model." *2023 ORS Annual Meeting*, and *ORS PSRS 5th International Spine Research Symposium*. Poster, November 6, 2022.

### RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

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#### The Spine Research Institute (OSU)

2/2023- Present

##### **Graduate Research Assistant**

- Characterized and analyzed heterogeneous digital low back and neck health information collected with the Conity device (a custom software application that collects data from motion assessments performed with non-invasive IMU sensors mounted on custom harnesses);
- Collected and analyzed data from digital questionnaires and forms, biomedical imaging, and electronic medical records to advance understanding of neck and low back disorders;
- Investigated the use of motion characteristics to differentiate between individuals who are performing a sincere effort from those who are exaggerating their condition or pain.

#### **Dr. Benjamin Walter's Lab: Multiscale Mechanobiology & Diagnostic Biomechanics (OSU)**

Columbus, OH

##### **Graduate Research Assistant**

10/2021- 12/2022

- Dissected bovine tail to obtain the nucleus pulposus (NP) in the intervertebral disc (IVD);
- Operated microtome cryostat to create NP specimens, and conducted confined and unconfined compression test by self-made apparatus and Instron, respectively;
- Assessed the changes in ion concentration inside the pericellular matrix (PCM) of NP cells in hydrogels as well as healthy and degenerative tissue in response to confined compression;
- Explored DNA origami sensor function to see if it is affected by hydrostatic pressure; analyzed the capability of DNA origami sensors to discern spatial changes in ion concentration inside a microfluidic device-generated ion gradient.

#### **The Injury Biomechanics Research Center of OSU**

Columbus, OH

##### **Research Assistant**

03/2020- 05/2021

- Simulated sled testing and studied the performance of child restraint systems by LS-PrePost and LS-DYNA;

- Performed finite element analysis, validated with physical collision test data and provided booster mounting guidelines.

### **Downtime Reduction of the Stamping Blank Destack-Feeder**

Columbus, OH

#### ***OSU & HONDA Co-Project***

08/2019-05/2020

- Modeled the fender, hood, and roof by SolidWorks, then calculated the hang down results by Finite Element Method (FEM);
- Coordinated the work with the team of HONDA; formulated the corresponding Fault Tree Analysis, 5 Why Analysis and Decision Matrix;
- The project is expected to reduce the downtime by 30% and save about \$700/month/part.

### **OSU Driving Simulation Laboratory Project**

Columbus, OH

#### ***Course Project***

02/2020-04/2020

- Conducted straight-line braking tests and circle tests in Simulation Lab and collected driving data;
- Processed data in MATLAB, and integrated simulated acceleration trace to visualize data of yaw rate, steering angle, and normalized tire force.

## **VOLUNTEER & SERVICES**

### **38th Annual Edward F. Hays Advanced Research Forum**

Columbus, OH

#### ***Session Chair***

02/2024

- Organized and led the postdoc group sessions for the Arts/Humanities/Social Science category at the 36th Edward F. Hays Graduate Research Forum;
- Facilitated communication and collaboration among participants to promote knowledge exchange and networking opportunities;
- Ensured smooth and efficient operation of the session, including managing time constraints and resolving any logistical issues.

## **WORKING EXPERIENCE**

### **Tianjin AW Automatism Transmission Co. Ltd.**

Tianjin, China

#### ***Manufacturing Production Engineer Intern***

05/2018- 08/2018

- Assembled planetary gear sets, and produced transmission housing for Toyota Crown;
- Operated lathe machine and milling machine for hole making, finishing, threads and fasteners;
- By replacing the original milling cutter with an umbrella-type cutter and re-adjusting the height of the CNC lathe table, production defects were reduced by about 4%.

## **SKILLS**

- Industrial experience with **CATIA** and **LS-DYNA**, Certified **SOLIDWORKS** Professional (CSWP)
- Solid understanding of **AutoCAD**, **Autodesk 3ds Max**, **MATLAB**, **Python**, and **ANSYS FLUENT** software
- Laboratory experience with **spectrum analyzer**, **oscilloscope instruments**, **rheometer**, **OptiTrack motion capture systems**, **lumber motion monitor**
- Extensive use of Microsoft Office, Adobe Illustrator, After Effect and Photoshop