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EXPERIENCE

10/05 - FMC Technologies - Well Access Systems Houston, TX
Supervisor, Product Engineering and Analysis - Top Tensioned Risers

- Managing 16 direct reports to generate engineering documentation, analysis, engineering calculations, drawings, and specifications to support the manufacture of top tension riser systems.
- Subject matter expert in fatigue, fracture mechanics, FEA, and riser analysis.

8/11 - Present University of Houston Houston, TX
Adjunct Professor - Mechanical Engineering

- Teach courses in Machine Design and Riser System Design

1/07 - 6/11 ITT Technical Institute Houston, TX
Lecturer - Computer Design and Drafting

- Teach mechanical course in the Computer Design and Drafting and Construction Management departments.

7/01 - 9/05 ExxonMobil - Upstream Research Houston, TX
Senior Research Engineer - Well Construction

- Investigated mechanics of rock cutting.
- Qualified torque reduction drill string components and drilling fluid additives for horizontal, extended-reach wells.
- Developed design concept for high pressure, cryogenic containment system for transport of liquid natural gas aboard ocean-going vessels.

1/01 - 4/01 Wayne State University Detroit, Michigan
Adjunct Professor

- Developed and taught new graduate course on analysis of sheet metal forming.

11/99 - 7/01 General Motors - Metal Fabrication Troy, MI
Senior Manufacturing Engineer - Formability Analysis

- Validated sheet metal forming die designs using computer simulation.
- Verified quality standards in the engineering of stamping die lines.

6/95 - 10/99 Research Center for Net Shape Manufacturing Columbus, Ohio
Staff Engineer - Stamping Team Leader

- Managed \$750k research and development project co-funded by NIST and the automotive industry.
- Led team of researchers and analysts to investigate manufacturing issues.
- Developed and taught several courses and workshops in manufacturing and metal forming.

6/90 - 6/95 Modern Tool and Die Cleveland, Ohio
Student Engineer - Cooperative Education

- Process engineer for stamping, compression molding, resistance welding and arc welding.
- Developed process diagrams for hydraulics and pneumatic manufacturing systems.
- Computer programmer, quality control engineer, and computer aided designer.
- Constructed and repaired machines and stamping dies.

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EDUCATION

3/97-12/99 Ohio State University Columbus, OH

- Doctorate - Mechanical Engineering.
- Developed and optimized real-time control system for sheet metal forming processes.
- GPA: 3.76 / 4.00. Graduated Magna Cum Laude.

6/95-3/97 Ohio State University Columbus, OH

- Master's Degree - Mechanical Engineering.
- Conducted experiments and analyses of advanced metal forming techniques.
- GPA: 3.74 / 4.00. Graduated Magna Cum Laude.
- Awarded Fellowship.

6/90-6/95 Kettering University Flint, MI

- Bachelor's Degree - Mechanical Engineering.
- Optimized process for fiber-reinforced, thermoplastic molding production line.
- GPA: 94.3 / 100. Graduated Magna Cum Laude.
- Awarded Rotary Club Scholarship.

SKILLS / QUALIFICATIONS

Top Tensioned Riser Design and Analysis

- Global and Component Analysis with FlexComm and OrcaFlex.
- Wave and Current Loading of Offshore Structures
- Vortex Induced Vibration

Oil and Gas Engineering

- Pressure vessel design (ASME Section VIII) and piping design (ASME B31.3).
- Casing design, drilling fluids, bit mechanics, and well control.
- Shipping optimization, mooring selection, and offshore cargo offloading.

Stress Analysis and Structural Design

- Structural finite element analysis with Abaqus and Ansys.
- Fatigue and Fracture Mechanics with Fracture Graphic and Crackwise.
- Metal forming simulation with Pamstamp and Dynaform.

Computer Aided Design

- Unigraphics, ProEngineer, I-DEAS, and AutoCAD.
- Fortran, HTML, FrontPage, Windows, and DOS.

Teaching, Presentation and Publication

- Taught two courses and two workshops on manufacturing and metal forming.
- Published two journal papers, six conferences papers, and one U.S. patent.

RESEARCH INTERESTS

- Metal forming and manufacturing.
- Drilling geomechanics.
- Cryogenic containment design.

AWARDS / HONORS

- Awarded United States Patent - 2003
- Graduated Magna Cum Laude - Ohio State University - 1999
- Keynote Paper - 6th International Conference on Technology of Plasticity - 1999
- Graduated Magna Cum Laude - Ohio State University - 1997

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- Fellowship Awardee - Ohio State University - 1995
- Graduated Magna Cum Laude - Kettering University - 1995
- Rotary Club Scholarship - North Ridgeville, Ohio - 1990

AFFILIATIONS

- 6/2005 Society of Petroleum Engineers Member
- 12/2004 Engineer in Training - Texas Member
- 6/1999 Society Mechanical Engineers Member
- 6/1999 Society of Automotive Engineers Member
- 3/1999 Mensa International Member
- 4/1996 Phi Delta Theta Fraternity Alumni, Former Officer
- 12/1993 Tau Beta Pi Honor Society Selected Inductee

PUBLICATIONS

- Schamp, J. H., Estes, B. L., Keller, S. R., Thomas, W. J. (2006) Torque Reduction Techniques in Extended Reach Directional Wells. To be Published in Proceedings of IADC/SPE Drilling Conference, Feb 21-23, Miami, Florida. Society of Petroleum Engineers. Paper #98969.
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- Thomas, W., Erevelles, W., Sullivan, L. (1995) Implementation and Automation of a Composite Extrusion System. B.S. Thesis. Kettering University (Formerly GMI/EMI). Flint, MI.

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PERSONAL INTERESTS

- Leading outreach ministry to coordinate rebuilding homes for needy families.
- Leader of Cub Scout den.
- Coach and referee for youth soccer.

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