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Professional Specialization

Passenger vehicle, heavy truck and off-road recreational vehicle accident analysis and reconstruction, including vehicle crash mechanics, occupant kinematics, biomechanical reconstruction and computer simulation. Biomechanics of occupant injury including mechanisms of injury and human injury tolerance. Performance and design analysis of on and off-road passenger vehicle systems, subsystems and components, including occupant protection systems, active and passive restraint systems, and chassis systems. Modeling, analysis, simulation and control of dynamic systems. Vehicle, system and component testing, including test fixture design, instrumentation, signal processing and data analysis.

Professional Background

Ph.D. (Biomedical Engineering), Wayne State University
M.S.E. (Mechanical Engineering) University of Michigan-Dearborn
B.S.E. (Mechanical Engineering), University of Michigan-Ann Arbor
Traffic Accident Reconstruction, Northwestern University Traffic Institute
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Publications

“Side Impact Characteristics in Modern Light Vehicles”, SAE Paper 2024-01-2646, 2024 (with C. Parenteau, B.N. Ault, R. Krishnaswami, and R. Burnett).

“Analysis of Fluid Evidence on Various Vehicle Components”, SAE Paper 2024-01-2467, 2024 (with K. Boysen, C. Parenteau, and R. Gregg).

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- “Evaluation of Seat Belt Assembly Physical Evidence in Properly Functioning and Intentionally Disabled Retractor Demonstrations,” SAE Paper No. 2009-01-1245, 2009 (with M. Klima and E. Cooper).
- “Vehicle Rollover Recovery Using Active Steering/Wheel Torque Control,” *International Journal of Vehicle Design* 46(1) : 51-71, 2008 (with T. Shim, C. Ghike, and H. Sardar).
- “Safety Restraint System Physical Evidence and Biomechanical Injury Potential Due to Belt Entanglement” SAE Paper No. 2006-01-1670, 2006 (with C. VanEe and M. Klima).
- “Seat Belt Retractor Performance Evaluation in Rollover Crashes,” *SAE 2005 Transactions - J. Passeng. Cars – Mech.Syst.* Section 6 – Vol 114: 2016-2023, 2005. Paper No. 2005-01-1702 (with M. Klima and M. Weber).
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