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Mechanical Engineer  
Easton, NH

**EDUCATION:** M.S., Mech. Eng., Lehigh University, 1988  
B.A., Physics, Colgate University, 1982

**EXPERIENCE:**

**Mechanical Solutions Inc., 2006 – 2020**

*Director and Principal Engineer.* Managed gas turbine engine and liquid rocket propulsion projects related to health monitoring and prognostics, finite element modeling and analysis, rotordynamics, and software development for data reduction and analysis. Acted as Principal Investigator for several NAVAIR, NASA, and Air Force research projects for non-contacting measurement of airfoil vibration and fatigue. Managed NASA research programs for high-fidelity modeling of fluid-structure interaction.

**Concepts NREC, 1993-1996; 1997- 2006**

*Lead Programmer, Group Manager, Software Architect, Director in Software Group.* Managed, designed, and implemented computer-aided engineering software solutions for structural analysis, fluid-structural heat transfer, and blade design. Supported business development, sales, and marketing activities for customers in aerospace propulsion (air-breathing and liquid), DoD, NASA, and numerous industrial turbomachinery markets.

*Project Engineer in Structural Group.* Performed finite element analysis and test services for stress, vibration, and rotordynamics of turbomachinery for commercial, military, and aerospace applications. Designed and analyzed rotor and bearing system components for aerodynamic, vibration, and fatigue evaluations. Prepared and presented short course lectures in stress and vibration analysis and testing.

**Kahn Industries, Wethersfield, CT, 1996-1997**

*Engineering Manager.* Managed the design and development for high speed hydraulic dynamometers.

**Textron Lycoming, Stratford, CT. 1988 - 1993**

*Structural Mechanics Engineer.* Used FEA for structural and aeromechanical components with NASTRAN, ABAQUS, and ANSYS for centrifugal, thermal, and aerodynamic loads. Developed numerous computational tools using C and FORTRAN for Windows, UNIX, VAX-VMS, and IBM mainframe for aeroelastic finite element analysis of compressor and fan blade flutter, rotordynamics, and automated fatigue and material property testing.

**Penn National Racecourse, Grantville, PA. 1982 - 1987**

*Thoroughbred Racetrack Farrier.* Self-employed, licensed, journeyman with PGPH, AFA, and IBJRH membership.

## **PUBLICATIONS:**

T. Serbowicz and M.J. Platt, "Microwave Sensing System for Ceramic Bearings", ISA 61st International Instrumentation Symposium, May 11-14, 2015, Huntsville, AL

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M.J. Platt and J.J. Jagodnik, "Enhancement to Non-Contacting Stress Measurement of Blade Vibration Frequency", NASA Tech Briefs, Vol. 35, No. 9, Sept. 2011.

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M.J. Platt, J.J. Jagodnik, and B.S. Fisher, "Gas Turbine Engine Blade Vibration Monitoring", Joint PIWG and EFI-GTI Conference, October 27, 2010, Newport News, VA

M.J. Platt, J.J. Jagodnik, and B.S. Fisher, "Direct Frequency Measurements for NSMS", Propulsion Instrumentation Working Group (PIWG) NSMS Workshop, ISA 56<sup>th</sup> International Instrumentation Symposium, May 11, 2010, Rochester, NY

M.J. Platt and J.J. Jagodnik, "Advances in Non-Contacting Stress Measurement for Turbomachinery Blades", 64<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Society for Machinery Failure Prevention Technology, April 13-16, 2010, Huntsville, AL

J.J. Jagodnik, M.J. Platt, and B.S. Fisher, "Development and Validation of Frequency Domain NSMS", Propulsion – Safety and Affordable Readiness (P-SAR) Conference, March 16-18, 2010, Jacksonville, FL

M.J. Platt and J.J. Jagodnik, "Frequency Domain Applications for NSMS", Propulsion Instrumentation Working Group (PIWG) Meeting, ISA 55<sup>th</sup> International Instrumentation Symposium, June 1-5, 2009, League City, TX

M.J. Platt and J.J. Jagodnik, "Non-Contacting Measurement Of Turbomachinery Blade Vibration", 63<sup>rd</sup> Meeting of the Society for Machinery Failure Prevention Technology, April 28-30, 2009, Dayton, OH

M.J. Platt and J.J. Jagodnik, "Extending NSMS Capability in the Frequency Domain - Development and Validation", Propulsion – Safety and Affordable Readiness (P-SAR) Conference, March 24-26, 2009, Myrtle Beach, SC.

M.J. Platt, E.M. Bennett, M.D.P. Leland, and M. Jones, "Development and Validation of 3-D Fluid Structure Interaction Analysis for Turbopumps", 4<sup>th</sup> JANNAF Liquid Propulsion Subcommittee Meeting, December 8-12, 2008, Orlando, FL.

N. D'Orsi, B. Bartlett, P.K. Sgarlata, and M.J. Platt, "Integrated Health Management System for Liquid Rocket Propulsion Turbomachinery", 4<sup>th</sup> JANNAF Liquid Propulsion Subcommittee Meeting, December 8-12, 2008, Orlando, FL.

M.J. Platt and J.J. Jagodnik, "High Speed Continuous Blade Health Monitoring for Turbine Engines", Propulsion – Safety and Affordable Readiness (P-SAR) Conference, March 18-20, 2008, Myrtle Beach, SC.

M.J. Platt and E.J. Olson, "Continuous Blade Monitoring in Gas Turbine Engines", 61<sup>st</sup> Meeting of the Society for Machinery Failure Prevention Technology, April 17-19, 2007, Virginia Beach, VA.

M.J. Platt and W.J. Kelly, "Comparison of Laser, Acoustic, and Conventional Probes for Turbomachinery System Spectral Analysis", 61<sup>st</sup> Meeting of the Society for Machinery Failure Prevention Technology, April 17-19, 2007, Virginia Beach, VA.

M.J. Platt, W.D. Marscher, K.S. Burton, "Multi-Physics Analysis of Turbopumps with Bi-Directional 3-D Fluid Structure Interaction", 54<sup>th</sup> JANNAF Propulsion Meeting, 3<sup>rd</sup> Liquid Propulsion Subcommittee Meeting, May 14-17, 2007, Denver, CO.

K.N. Oliphant, M.J. Platt, J.B. Bicknell, "Multi-disciplinary design optimization: The path to a 100,000 suction specific speed inducer", 53<sup>rd</sup> JANNAF Propulsion Meeting, 2<sup>nd</sup> Liquid Propulsion Subcommittee Meeting, December 2005, Monterey, CA.

M. J. Platt and M. W. Marsh, "Thermo-Mechanical Turbopump Modeling and Analysis at Steady-State and Transient Conditions" 52<sup>nd</sup> JANNAF Propulsion Meeting, 1<sup>st</sup> Liquid Propulsion Subcommittee Meeting, May 10-13, 2004, Las Vegas, NV.

D. Japikse and M.J. Platt, "Optimization in Component Design and Redesign", 10<sup>th</sup> International Symposium on Transport Phenomena and Dynamics of Rotating Machinery (ISROMAC), March 7-11, 2004, Honolulu, HA.

C. Osborne, M. J. Platt, P. S. Weitzman, and K. Denus, "Multi-Disciplinary Optimization Applied to a Turbocharger Compressor Impeller", The IX International, Scientific and Technical Conference, Fluid-Flow Turbomachinery, October 16 – 18, 2003, Rzeszow, Poland.

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M. Platt, "Robust Multidisciplinary Design Optimization of an LH2 Turbopump Incorporating Uncertainty", JANNAF Modeling & Simulation Subcommittee, Workshop on Simulation-Based Design in the Face of Uncertainty, July 20, 2003, Huntsville, AL.

P. S. Weitzman, M. J. Platt, M. M. Yu, "Multi-Disciplinary Optimization of a Turbocharger Compressor", 2003 International iSIGHT Automotive Conference, May 20-21, 2003, Southfield, MI.

M. Platt, H. Cudney, K. Rosen, "Development and Seeded Fault Testing of an Engine Health Monitoring System", American Helicopter Society International 58<sup>th</sup> Annual Forum, June 11-13, 2002, Montreal, QC, Canada

M. Platt, H. Cudney, K. Rosen, "Seeded Fault Testing for Engine Health Monitoring System", The 7<sup>th</sup> National Turbine Engine High Cycle Fatigue Conference, May 14-17, 2002, Palm Beach Gardens, FL.

M. Platt, C. Cook, and M. Marsh, "Thermo-Mechanical Turbopump Design and Analysis Tools," The 2<sup>nd</sup> Joint Army-Navy-NASA-Air Force (JANNAF) Modeling and Simulation Subcommittee Meeting, April 8-12, 2002, Destin, FL.

M. Platt, C. Cook, and M. Marsh, "Integrated Thermo-Mechanical Design and Analysis Tools for Turbomachinery," The 9<sup>th</sup> International Symposium on Transport Phenomena and Dynamics of Rotating Machinery (ISROMAC), February 10-14, 2002, Honolulu, HA.

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