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### Education

M.S. Computer Science, Northwestern University, Evanston, Illinois, 1996.  
MS Project: Implementation of Minimum Diameter Spanning Tree Algorithms.  
B.S. Computer Science, North Central College, Naperville, Illinois, 1990.  
A.A.S Computer Science, Lewis & Clark Community College, Godfrey, Illinois, 1984.

### Brief Biography

Mr. Enke has designed or applied geometric algorithms and software tools (SPH and N-body codes) that simulate asteroid collisions/impacts and formation of binary asteroid systems under NASA's Applied Information Systems Research Program. He also developed production pipelines for reducing asteroid near-infrared spectra and studying Pluto photometry, and he organizes and analyzes observational data for NASA/NSF Planetary Astronomy Programs on asteroid imaging. In conjunction with the NASA-JPL Machine Learning Group, he has developed several artificial-intelligence analysis tools useful in analyzing crater data on asteroid/planetary surfaces. He has also worked on several image processing projects under NASA's Lunar Science Institute and the Outer Planets Research, NEAR Data Analysis, and Mars Data Analysis Programs.

### Employment History

2007-present: Senior Research Analyst, Southwest Research Institute, Dept. of Space Studies, Boulder, CO  
2002-2007: Research Analyst, Southwest Research Institute, Dept. of Space Studies, Boulder, CO  
2001-2002: Independent Software Consultant, Nederland, CO  
1984-2001: Member of Technical Staff, Bell Laboratories, 5ESS International Switching Systems Division, Naperville, IL

### Activities, Honors, and Awards:

Member: AIAA, IEEE, National Space Society, Mars Society, MarsDrive Consortium, 4Frontiers, Mars-One  
Author: Shadows of Medusa, *PublishAmerica* (2005). Tales from the Martian Frontier, *Amazon* (2012)  
Journalist: Denver Space Industry Examiner (2009)  
NASA Certificate of Recognition (2006): Autonomous Knowledge Discovery from Simulators

### Relevant Publications:

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