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Founder & Chief Executive Officer

After leading software research and development for over two decades, Jimi is founder & CEO of Orbital Insight. Orbital Insight helps business and policy decision makers understand economic and societal trends through geospatial analytics. His corporate focus is to develop artificial intelligence, machine learning, and computer vision, creating a new source of market data for diverse industries.

Before a successful \$1B Monsanto acquisition, Jimi was the SVP of Science and Engineering at the Climate Corporation. Prior to that, he was CTO and Software Architect at Moon Express whose goal was putting the first commercial robot on the moon. As the Engineering Director for Google Book Search, he was in charge of Google's project to scan, index, and make searchable all the world's books. He also served as EVP of Engineering at Composite Software, a startup focusing on data virtualization. At Nasa Ames Research Center, Jimi led Autonomy and Robotics projects.

He has authored over 15 peer reviewed publications, resulting in five patents. Jimi earned his PhD and Master's degrees in Computer Science from the University of Texas at Austin, and BA in Math and Computer Science from Rice University.

He has a long-term interest in photography.



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Total Solar Eclipse
Fly Hook Lodge, Ririe, ID
August 21, 2017
Cannon T4i, 300mm
f11, 1/60th

About Orbital Insight

Orbital Insight develops geospatial data analytics to help its clients unlock societal and economic trends at a global scale. We source petabytes of satellite, drone, balloon and other unmanned aerial vehicle (UAV) data. Using computer vision and machine learning technologies, we process and transform this data to enable businesses, governments, and NGOs to make better decisions.

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