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PHD **University of California, Berkeley**, NUCLEAR ENGINEERING **Summer 2021**
A Novel Tool for the Assessment and Validation of Acceleration Methods for Solving the Neutron Transport Equation
Advisor: Professor Rachel N. Slaybaugh

MS **University of California, Berkeley**, NUCLEAR ENGINEERING **Spring 2017**
Implementation of Weighted Delta-tracking with scattering in Serpent 2

MEM **Old Dominion University – Norfolk VA**, ENGINEERING MANAGEMENT **Fall 2015**

BS **University of Maryland, College Park**, PHYSICS, ASTRONOMY **Spring 2007**

**WORK &
RESEARCH
EXPERIENCE** **Kairos Energy**, Alameda, CA **September 7, 2021 – Present**
Reactor Analyst (Engineer III)
Supervisor: Nader Satvat – satvat@kairospower.com

University of California, Berkeley, Berkeley, CA **Fall 2015 – Summer 2021**
Graduate Student Researcher
Advisor: Professor Rachel N. Slaybaugh – slaybaugh@berkeley.edu
Developing a novel finite-element-based code for the implementation and assessment of acceleration methods for deterministic solves of the transport equation. Implementing and analyzing novel methods in Monte Carlo codes.

The Idaho National Laboratory, Idaho Falls, ID **Summer 2016**
Student Intern - Reactor physics group
Advisor: Dr. Mark DeHart – mark.dehart@inl.gov
Implemented a novel Monte Carlo algorithm for Nuclear Engineering applications.

United States Navy **2008 – Fall 2015**
Submarine Officer – Honorably discharged as a lieutenant (O-3)

- Coordinated submarine operations and international participation for the Rim of the Pacific 2014 naval exercise involving 23 nations, 46 ships and six submarines.
- Supported two six-month deployments while qualified Officer of the Deck and Engineering Officer of the Watch on Los Angeles class submarines.
- Certified for assignment as Engineer Officer in charge of a Naval Nuclear Propulsion Plant.
- Led divisions responsible for the maintenance and operation of reactor plant instrumentation, radiological controls, and water chemical analysis.
- TS/SCI security clearance (single scope background investigation).

**PUBLICATIONS
& PROCEEDINGS** **Rehak, J.S.**, Slaybaugh, R.N. “Assessing the Effectiveness of Acceleration Methods for Deterministic Neutron Transport Solvers” **Transactions of the American Nuclear Society** Volume 122. <https://doi.org/10.13182/T122-32383> June 2020.

Rehak, J.S., Kerby, L.M., DeHart, M.D., Slaybaugh, R.N. “Weighted delta-tracking in scattering media” **Nuclear Engineering and Design** Volume 342. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.nucengdes.2018.12.006>. December 2018.

Rehak, J.S., Kerby, L.M., DeHart, M.D., Slaybaugh, R.N., Leppänen, J. “Implementation of Weighted Delta-Tracking with Scattering in the Serpent 2 Monte Carlo Code” **Transactions of the American Nuclear Society** Volume 116. <https://escholarship.org/uc/item/6bg1s71k> June 2017.

HONORS AND AWARDS	Department of Nuclear Engineering Graduate Fellowship	2015 – 2018
	Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal	August 2015
	For exceptional service as Submarine Force Exercise Officer and Submarine Watch Officer at Commander Submarine Forces Pacific	
	Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal	August 2015
	For coordination and execution of submarine operations for the Rim of the Pacific 2014 exercise	
CODE DEVELOPMENT	Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal	June 2013
	For service as a division officer on USS JACKSONVILLE (SSN-699) and successful completion of two six-month deployments and an extended dry-dock maintenance period.	
	Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal	April 2013
	For service as Chemistry/Radiological Assistant during an eight month dry-dock period.	
	Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal	January 2011
	For service as Reactor Control Assistant during a six-month deployment and Operational Reactor Safeguards Exam	
SCIENTIFIC COMPUTING SKILLS	Bay Area Radiation Transport (BART)	https://github.com/SlaybaughLab/BART
	A finite-element-based transport solver that supports 1/2/3D and MPI, based on the deal.II finite element library.	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Designed for developer end-users for maximum modification and support of methods analysis and implementation. • Designed to support reproducibility, portability, and testing in codes. utilizes continuous integration, code coverage, and Docker containers. • Uses a novel protocol-buffer format for materials. 	
	Languages	C++20, python, bash
	Build Systems	make, CMake
	Testing	GoogleTest, GoogleMock, continuous integration, code coverage
	Version Control	git
	Other	Doxygen, L ^A T _E X, MatLab, Protocol Buffers, Jupyter, Docker