

Matthew R. Walker

PHYSICS PHD CANDIDATE

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Education

University of Virginia

PHD IN PHYSICS

- Computational physics and stochastic systems under the supervision of Prof. Marija Vucelja
- 3 first author publications, 1 equal author publication

Charlottesville, Virginia

Aug. 2019 – May. 2025

University of Virginia

B.S. IN PHYSICS

3.3 GPA.

Charlottesville, Virginia

Aug. 2016 - May. 2018

Experience

Department of Defense(DoD) High Performance Computing Intern

NAVAL RESEARCH LAB(NRL)

- 10 week internship working with computational fluid dynamics(CFD) and aero-optics.

Washington DC

Jun. 2024 –Aug. 2024

Undergraduate and Graduate Researcher

UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA

- 5 years experience in programming in Python and C++ with an emphasis on simulating stochastic systems and computational fluid dynamics
4 publications

Charlottesville, Virginia

Aug. 2016 –

Publications

PUBLISHED

- [1] **M. R. Walker** and M. Vucelja. Anomalous Thermal Relaxation of Langevin Particles in a Piecewise Constant Potential. *J. Stat. Mech.* 2021 (11), 113105 arXiv:2105.10656.

SUBMITTED

- [2] **M. R. Walker**, and M. Vucelja. Mpemba effect in terms of mean first passage time *arXiv preprint arXiv:2212.07496*, 2022 arXiv:2212.07496
- [3] **M. R. Walker**, S. Bera and M. Vucelja. Optimal transport and anomalous thermal relaxations *arXiv preprint arXiv:2307.16103*, 2023 arXiv:2307.16103
- [4] S. Bera, **M. R. Walker**, and M. Vucelja. Effect of dynamics on anomalous thermal relaxations and information exchange *arXiv preprint arXiv:2308.04557*, 2023 arXiv:2308.04557

Honors & Awards

2024 **UVA Physics Department dissertation year fellowship**

1 year fellowship provided by UVA physics department

Charlottesville, VA

2024 **2nd place for most outstanding research project**

UVA graduate physics poster competition

Charlottesville, VA

2017 **Outstanding undergraduate research project**

Sigma-Pi-Sigma undergraduate research symposium

Charlottesville, VA

Skills

Programming Python, C++, Matlab, Mathematica, Pandas, data mining, data analysis