## Education\_\_\_\_

#### **University of Virginia**

Charlottesville, Virginia

PhD in Physics

Aug. 2019 - May. 2025

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

#### **University of Virginia**

B.S. IN PHYSICS 3.2 GPA.

Charlottesville, Virginia Aug. 2016 - May. 2018

# **Experience**

# **Department of Defense(DoD) High Performance Computing intern** 2024

Washington DC

NAVY RESEARCH LAB(NRL)

Jun. 2024 - Aug. 2024

• Developed a ML model for estimating the position of an image while undergoing supersonic flow.

#### **Undergraduate and Graduate Researcher**

Charlottesville, Virginia

University of Virginia

Aug. 2016 -

- Computational physics and stochastic processes
  4 publications
- 5 years experience in programming in Python and C++ with an emphasis on simulating stochastic equations and Hydrodynamics

# **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

2017 **Outstanding Undergraduate Research project**Sigma Pi Sigma research symposium

Charlottesville, VA

2024 2nd place for most outstanding research project

Charlottesville. VA

UVA physics poster competition

# Skills\_

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