

# Daniel M. Jeck

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## EDUCATION

PhD Student, August 2012 to present  
Johns Hopkins University Baltimore, MD  
Doctoral Board Oral Exam Completed: 07/2014

B.S. in Biomedical Engineering; Summa Cum Laude, May 2009  
North Carolina State University Raleigh, NC  
Bioinstrumentation Concentration  
GPA: 3.96 / 4.00

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## PUBLICATIONS

Jeck, D.; Niebur, E., "Closed form jitter analysis of neuronal spike trains," Zanvyl Krieger Mind/Brain Institute, Johns Hopkins University, Tech. Rep. DJEN-2015.1, 2015, arXiv:1502.07907 [q-bio.NC].

Jeck, D.; Niebur, E., "Neuronal common input strength is unidentifiable from average firing rates and synchrony," *Information Sciences and Systems (CISS), 2015 49th Annual Conference on*, pp.1,3, March 2015

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## WORK EXPERIENCE

**Johns Hopkins University**, Baltimore, MD

**PhD Student**, August 2012 to present

- Developing a psychophysical experiment to test underlying assumptions of saliency models in research participants without task training
- Developed an accelerated jitter algorithm for the detection of synchrony at fine time scales in neural recordings
- Built a Spiking Neuronal Models to analyze the inference of changes in shared input due to changes in synchrony measures

**3 Phoenix Inc**, Wake Forest, NC

**Systems Engineer**: June 2009 to June 2012

- Developed the towed array design for the passive detection portion of the Torpedo Warning System (TWS), deployed on USS George H.W. Bush (6/13/2013)
- Analyzed and modeled sparsely populated broadband sonar arrays for the purposes of range estimation. Analysis informed array design and performance predictions of the TWS

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## 3 Phoenix Inc (cont'd)

- Designed a towed sensor array shape estimation algorithm based on heading sensors and MEMS gyroscopes implemented on the TWS
- Sonar array algorithm design, including beamforming, the MUSIC algorithm, and Kalman filtering
- Developed a set of spectral features and a classifier to label range estimates as low-quality
- Studied convex optimization, simulated annealing and other stochastic optimization methods
- Developed a lake test plan for a sonar array and low-level processing implemented in November 2011
- Developed an improvement in passive torpedo processing based on using a spatial window for the beamspace MUSIC algorithm

## Engineering Entrepreneurs Program, *NC State University*, Raleigh, NC

### ***medCount eTeam Leader:*** August 2008 to May 2009

- Developed a low-cost tuberculosis diagnostic device for use in third world countries
- Managed eight eTeam members in developing image processing software for the device
- Wrote a business plan for launching the device
- Received \$3000 in grant funding
- Team received \$10,000 in prize money from the NC state eGames

## Statistical Signal Processing Applied to Cochlear Implants and Subsurface Sensing (SSPACISS) Laboratory, *Duke University*, Durham, NC

### ***Cochlear Implant Research Assistant:*** May 2007 to August 2007

- Initiated a project to better train cochlear implant subjects to hear music
- Edited assembly code for a cochlear implant research device
- Wrote accompanying Visual Basic and MATLAB code
- Resynthesized implant signals into simulated audio

## Brain Imaging and Analysis Center, *Duke University*, Durham, NC

### ***Research Assistant:*** June 2006 to August 2006

- Programmed Stimuli for fMRI research using MATLAB
- Ran subjects for fMRI experiments

## Radiation Oncology Lab, *University of North Carolina*, Chapel Hill, NC

### ***Lab Technician:*** June 2005 to August 2005

- Worked under a sterile hood
- Prepared Bacto-agar plates
- Cleaned glassware using an autoclave
- Monitored water levels in incubators and water baths and liquid nitrogen levels for long term cell storage

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## HONORS:

- 1st Place NC State eGames (Athena, Calliope, Daedalus, Zeus awards) totaling \$10,000
- 2nd Place Carolina Challenge Business Plan Competition - \$7,500
- Plexus Entrepreneurship Award - Given each semester to best senior design final presentations
- Guy Kawasaki Audience Choice Award - senior design final presentation award
- BMEidea stipend - \$500 towards the development of a biomedical device awarded annually
- Featured on the front page of the Raleigh News & Observer, Charlotte Observer, NCSU News Services, Daily Tarheel, Spring 2009
- Dean's List 2005-2009

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## ACTIVITIES:

- Triangle Flying Disc Association Winter & Summer League 2002 - 2012
- Universities Study Abroad Consortium Summer Program, Chengdu, China; Summer 2008
  - Classes in intermediate conversation, reading and writing Mandarin Chinese
  - Travel to Beijing and surrounding areas
- NCSU Ultimate Frisbee 2005-2008

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## SKILLS:

*Computer:* MATLAB, Assembly, Visual basic, JAVA, basic HTML, and basic JavaScript

*Business:* Grant writing, team management, business plan writing, and market research

*Language:* Intermediate Mandarin Chinese and Spanish

*Laboratory:* Competent in a wet lab environment