Eric S. Harper

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Education

2018: Ph.D. in Materials Science and Engineering, University of Michigan

• Thesis Topic: The Nature of the Entropic Bond

2014: MS in Materials Science and Engineering, University of Michigan. GPA: 3.774/4.000

2011: Bachelor of Chemical Engineering, University of Dayton. GPA: 3.92/4.00

Skills

- Simulation Techniques: Molecular Dynamics, Monte Carlo, Finite Element Analysis
- Programming: Python, C++ (CUDA, MPI, OpenMP, Intel Thread Building Blocks), OpenGL
- Machine Learning: Scikit-image, Scikit-learn, Keras, TensorFlow
- Web Development: HTML, CSS, Javascript
- Remote Unix/Linux system usage and administration

Experience

2017 - Present: Computational Scientist, Azimuth Corporation at Air Force Research Labs, Dayton, OH

• Modeling non-linear mechanical properties in liquid-crystalline elastomers (LCEs)

2011 - 2017: Ph.D. Candidate, Materials Science and Engineering, University of Michigan

- Lead Developer of analysis software suite Freud
- Junior system administrator for group computational resources
- Instructor, MSE 365 Undergraduate Lab
- 2010 2011: Teaching Associate, University of Dayton, Chemical Engineering
 - Chemical Engineering Computations; Separation Techniques; Process Dynamics and Control

2010 – 2011: Consultant and Systems Administrator, Composite Technical Services, Dayton, OH

- Conducted Life Cycle Assessments on composite and foam product lines
- Developed rigid foam formulations and conducted flame tests on foam samples

2008 – 2009: Undergraduate Research Assistant, Air Force Research Laboratories, Wright-Patt. AFB

• Presented photvoltaic research at American Chemical Society CeRMACS Conference (6/2010)

Selected Publications and Presentations

- Nature of the Entropic Bond in Particle Assemblies, submitted to Nature, 2018
 - o Oral Presentation, APS March Meeting
- Freud: a software suite for high-throughput simulation analysis (https://bitbucket.org/glotzer/freud/)
 - o Oral Presentation, AICHE Fall Meeting, APS Spring Meeting
- Shape Allophiles Improve Entropic Assembly, Soft Matter, 2015. DOI: 10.1039/c5sm01351h
 - Oral Presentation, MRS Fall Meeting, APS Spring Meeting

Grants, Honors, & Awards

2016 - 2017: MICDE Fellowship, University of Michigan

2012 – 2014: NSF Open Data IGERT Fellow, University of Michigan

2011 - 2012: William F. Hawkins Fellow, University of Michigan

2010 - 2011: Tau Beta Pi Geico Scholar

Professional Organizations

2015: Scientific Computing Student Club, founding member and President

2009: Tau Beta Pi – Advisor, MI Γ Chapter