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# CURRICULUM VITAE

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# **EDUCATION**

Washington University in St. Louis, St. Louis, MO Expected: May 2025 B.S. Mechanical Engineering GPA: 4.00/4.00

Truman State University, Kirksville, MO B.A. Physics, Mathematics minor

• Physics/Engineering Dual-Degree Program with Washington University in St. Louis

Expected: May 2024

GPA: 3.91/4.00

#### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Brookhaven National Laboratory - Student Collaborator, Upton, NY Sum 2023

- Supplementary Undergraduate Research Program (SURP) (see: Resonance Capture Widths for the Bayesian Resonance Reclassifier)
- Wrote a detailed research report and presented my summer work to a laboratory audience
- Assisted new interns with learning Git and understanding the BRR code base

Brookhaven National Laboratory - Student Collaborator, Upton, NY Sum 2022

- Science Undergraduate Laboratory Internship (SULI) program. A 10 week internship at the National Nuclear Data Center (NNDC) researching machine learning in nuclear physics. (see: Accuracy Correlation in Neutron Resonance Reclassification)
- Wrote a detailed research report and presented my summer work to a laboratory audience

#### RESEARCH

Resonance Capture Widths for the Bayesian Resonance Reclassifier Sum 2023 Faculty mentor: Gustavo Nobre - NNDC, Brookhaven National Laboratory

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- Used Python machine learning methods to train an algorithm for reclassifying Pb-206 neutron resonances
- Sampled capture widths from a Porter-Thomas distribution to create more realistic synthetic training data for the Bayesian Resonance Reclassifier.

Accuracy Correlation in Neutron Resonance Reclassification Sum 2022 Faculty mentor: Gustavo Nobre - NNDC, Brookhaven National Laboratory

- Used machine learning to train an algorithm for correcting neutron resonances
- Explored Python machine learning methods
- Learned how properties of isotopes were reflected in an algorithm's success
- Developed an iterative learning method for incrementally improving the success of an algorithm

Interface for Starlink Satellite Observations August 2021 - March 2022 Faculty mentor: Vayujeet Gokhale - Dept. of Physics, Truman State University

• Developed a user interface with Python for planning satellite observations

#### **SKILLS**

- Coding Languages: Python, C, C++, Shell scripting, LaTeX, HTML, Octave, Mathematica, MATLAB
- Processing/Editors: Microsoft Office, Vim
- Technical/Laboratory: Technical writing, basic analog & digital electronics
- Other: Solidworks, Linux command line, Computer clusters, OnShape, Git

# RELEVANT COURSEWORK

- Physics: Physics I & II, Vibrations & Waves, Intermediate Laboratory, Modern Physics I & II, Electronics, Mathematical Physics, Classical Mechanics, Electricity & Magnetism
- Engineering: Statics and Mechanics of Materials, Computer Aided Design, Thermodynamics, Fluid Mechanics, Solid Mechanics, Vibrations
- Mathematics: Calculus I, II, & III, Foundations of Mathematics, Linear Algebra, Ordinary Differential Equations, Statistics, Methods of Optimization
- Computer Science: Foundations of Computer Science I & II (C++), Computing Structures

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• Other: Chemical Principles 1

#### **ACTIVITIES**

#### WashU Robotics - MATE ROV team member

2023 - present

- Member on the MATE ROV underwater robotics team
- Designed a vertical profiling buoyancy engine

# Society of Physics Students - Demo Chair

2020 - 2023

- Organize, develop, and perform physics demos
- Inform/encourage students to engage in research activities
- Weekly commitment to volunteer physics tutoring
- Wrote and proctored exams for 2022 & 2023 Science Olympiads ("Crave the Wave" and "Remote Sensing")

# Dark Sky TSU

Fall 2021 - Spring 2022

• Group at Truman State University dedicated to light pollution education and outreach

# Competitive Math

December 2022

• Participated in the 2022 Putnam competition

# PROJECTS OF NOTE

# **TerminalGraphingCalculator**

2023

• A 3D graphing calculator that runs in the terminal. 3D parametrized equations are projected onto a 2D plane (the screen) and each "pixel" is represented using an ASCII character

#### CONFERENCES

- American Physical Society Division of Nuclear Physics and Japan Physical Society joint Fall 2023 meeting. Hilton Waikoloa Village, The Big Island, HI, Nov 27-Dec 1.
- American Physical Society Division of Nuclear Physics Fall 2022 meeting. Hyatt Regency Hotel, New Orleans, LA, October 29-31.

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# AWARDS & HONORS

# Conference Experience for Undergraduates 2023

September 2023

• Competitive research abstract award and invitation to the APS Division of Nuclear Physics and The Physical Society of Japan joint Fall 2023 meeting on the Big Island, Hawaii.

# Conference Experience for Undergraduates 2022

August 2022

• Competitive research abstract award. An invitation to the poster presentation at the APS DNP Fall 2022 meeting in New Orleans, LA.

# Sigma Pi Sigma Honor Society

May 2022

• Recognized for service and academic scholarship in physics.