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OBJECTIVE

Seeking research and practical opportunities in nuclear engineering and scientific computation to support the next generation of reliable and safe nuclear energy.

РнD

University of California, Berkeley, Nuclear Engineering Expected Spring 2020
Using Tools for the Analysis and Assessment of Accelerating Solves of the Transport Equation
Advisor: Professor Rachel N. Slaybaugh

MS

University of California, Berkeley, NUCLEAR ENGINEERING
Implementation of Weighted Delta-tracking with scattering in Serpent 2

Spring 2017

MEM

BS

Old Dominion University – Norfolk VA, Engineering Management

Fall 2015

University of Maryland, College Park, Physics, Astronomy

Spring 2007

WORK & RESEARCH EXPERIENCE University of California, Berkeley, Berkeley, CA

Graduate Student Researcher

Fall 2015 - Present

Advisor: Professor Rachel N. Slaybaugh - slaybaugh@berkeley.edu

Developing a novel finite-element-based code for the implementation and assessment of acceleration methods for deterministic solves of the transport equation. Implementing and analyzing novel methods in Monte Carlo codes.

The Idaho National Laboratory, Idaho Falls, ID

Student Intern - Reactor physics group

Summer 2016

Advisor: Dr. Mark DeHart - mark.dehart@inl.gov

Implemented a novel Monte Carlo algorithm for Nuclear Engineering applications.

United States Navy

Submarine Officer – Honorably discharged as a lieutenant (O-3)

2008 - Fall 2015

- Coordinated submarine operations and international participation for the Rim of the Pacific 2014 naval exercise involving 23 nations, 46 ships and six submarines.
- Supported two six-month deployments while qualified Officer of the Deck and Engineering Officer of the Watch on Los Angeles class submarines.
- Certified for assignment as Engineer Officer in charge of a Naval Nuclear Propulsion Plant.
- Led divisions responsible for the maintenance and operation of reactor plant instrumentation, radiological controls, and water chemical analysis.
- TS/SCI security clearance (single scope background investigation).

Publications & Proceedings

- Rehak, J.S., Slaybaugh, R.N. "Assessing the Effectiveness of Acceleration Methods for Deterministic Neutron Transport Solvers" Transactions of the American Nuclear Society Volume 122. https://doi.org/10.13182/T122-32383 June 2020.
- Rehak, J.S., Kerby, L.M., DeHart, M.D., Slaybaugh, R.N. "Weighted delta-tracking in scattering media" Nuclear Engineering and Design Volume 342. https://doi.org/10.1016/j.nucengdes.2018.12.006. December 2018.
- Rehak, J.S., Kerby, L.M., DeHart, M.D., Slaybaugh, R.N., Leppänen, J. "Implementation of Weighted Delta-Tracking with Scattering in the Serpent 2 Monte Carlo Code" Transactions of the American Nuclear Society Volume 116. https://escholarship.org/uc/item/6bg1s71k June 2017.

Honors	AND
Awards	

Department of Nuclear Engineering Graduate Fellowship Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal

2015 - 2018

August 2015

For exceptional service as Submarine Force Exercise Officer and Submarine Watch Officer at Commander Submarine Forces Pacific

Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal

August 2015

For coordination and execution of submarine operations for the Rim of the Pacific 2014 exercise

Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal

June 2013

For service as a division officer on USS JACKSONVILLE (SSN-699) and successful completion of two six-month deployments and an extended dry-dock maintenance period.

Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal

April 2013

For service as Chemistry/Radiological Assistant during an eight month dry-dock period.

Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal

January 2011

For service as Reactor Control Assistant during a six-month deployment and Operational Reactor Safeguards Exam

Code Development

Bay Area Radiation Transport (BART)

https://github.com/SlaybaughLab/BART

A finite-element-based transport solver that supports 1/2/3D and MPI, based on the deal.II finite element library.

- Designed for developer end-users for maximum modification and support of methods analysis and implementation.
- Designed to support reproducibility, portability, and testing in codes. utilizes continuous integration, code coverage, and Docker containers.
- Uses a novel protocol-buffer format for materials.

SCIENTIFIC COMPUTING SKILLS

Languages	
Build Systems	make, CMake
Testing	$. \\ Google Test, \ Google Mock, \ continuous \ integration, \ code \ coverage$
Version Control	git
Other	Doxygen, LATEX, MatLab, Protocol Buffers, Jupyter, Docker