Flattening the Energy Innovation Landscape?

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A little bit about me

- My path has been all nuclear all the way
 - BS in NE from Penn State, where I was also a research reactor operator
 - MS/PhD from UW-Madison
 - 2 years at Bettis Atomic Power Laboratory
 - Highly involved in the American Nuclear Society
- Now I'm a nuclear engineering professor at Berkeley







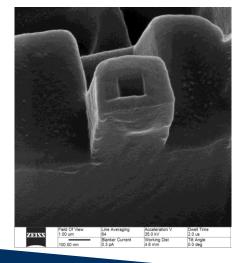
A little bit about my department

 Our department focuses on advanced nuclear reactor design, nuclear security, and applied physics









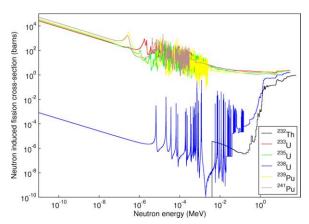
A little bit about my work

 Inside of that, I develop numerical methods for neutral particle transport (tools for design and analysis)

Applied math, informed by physics, and driven by

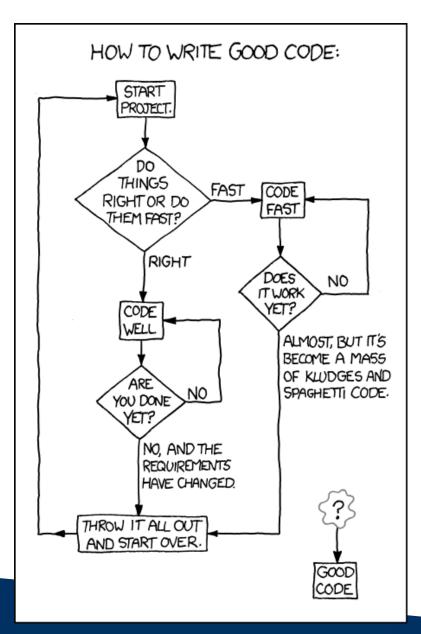
architecture

$$\begin{split} [\hat{\Omega} \cdot \nabla + \Sigma(\vec{r}, E)] \psi(\vec{r}, \hat{\Omega}, E) &= \\ \int dE' \int d\hat{\Omega}' \, \Sigma_s(\vec{r}, E' \to E, \hat{\Omega}' \cdot \hat{\Omega}) \psi(\vec{r}, \hat{\Omega}', E') \\ &+ \frac{\chi(E)}{k} \int dE' \, \nu \Sigma_f(\vec{r}, E') \int d\hat{\Omega}' \, \psi(\vec{r}, \hat{\Omega}', E') \end{split}$$









Quality Software Required





We need all the brains

- To have enough clean energy soon enough, we need it be easier for more people to work on clean energy
- I'd like to see open sourcing of
 - Challenges (e.g. components, system designs, etc.)
 - Required software
 - Access to resources to do design and computation
- Think open software and open hardware combined



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