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## EDUCATION

- **Ph.D., Mechanical Engineering** September 2020 - June 2025  
Oregon State University (OSU); School of Mechanical Industrial and Manufacturing Engineering, Corvallis, Oregon  
**Emphasis:** Thermal Fluid Sciences (TFS)  
**GPA:** 3.84  
**Minor:** Nuclear Engineering  
**Academic Advisor:** Kyle E. Niemeyer  
**Minor Advisor:** Todd S. Palmer
- **M.S., Mechanical Engineering**, September 2020 - March 2022  
Oregon State University (OSU); School of Mechanical Industrial and Manufacturing Engineering, Corvallis, Oregon  
**Emphasis:** Thermal Fluid Sciences (TFS)  
**GPA:** 3.83  
**Project Report:** *Explorations of Monte Carlo Solution and Implementation Methods for Thermal Radiation and Neutron Transport*  
**Academic Advisor:** Kyle E. Niemeyer
- **B.S., Mechanical Engineering**, *magna cum laude*, September 2016 - June 2020  
Oregon Institute of Technology (OIT); Dept. of Mechanical and Manufacturing Engineering Technology, Klamath Falls, Oregon  
**Minors:** Applied Physics; Applied Mathematics  
**Academic Advisor:** Hong Yee (Randy) Shih

## PUBLICATIONS

- J. P. Morgan, I. Variansyah, S. Pasmann, K. B. Clements, B. Cuneo, A. Mote, C. Goodman, C. Shaw, J. Northrop, R. Pankaj, E. Lame, B. Whewell, R. McClarren, T. Palmer, L. Chen, D. Anistratov, C. T. Kelley, C. Palmer, and K. E. Niemeyer. Monte Carlo / Dynamic Code (MC/DC): An accelerated Python package for fully transient neutron transport and rapid methods development. Under review *Journal of Open Source Software*. (2024)
- J. P. Morgan, A. Mote, S. Pasmann, G. Ridley, T. S. Palmer, K. E. Niemeyer, R. G. McClarren. The Monte Carlo Computational Summit - October 25 & 26, 2023 - Notre Dame, Indiana, USA. Accepted *Journal of Computational and Theoretical Transport*.

- J. P. Morgan, I. Variansyah, T. S. Palmer, and K. E. Niemeyer. “Exploring One-Cell Inversion Method for Transient Transport on GPU.” In *Proceedings International Conference on Mathematics and Computational Methods Applied to Nuclear Science and Engineering*. Niagara Falls, Ontario, Canada (2023).
- J. P. Morgan, T. J. Trahan, T. P. Burke, C. J. Josey, and K. E. Niemeyer. “Hybrid-Delta Tracking on a Structured Mesh in MCATK.” In *Proceedings International Conference on Mathematics and Computational Methods Applied to Nuclear Science and Engineering*. Niagara Falls, Ontario, Canada (2023).
- I. Variansyah, J. P. Morgan, K. E. Niemeyer, and R. G. McClarren. “Development of MC/DC: a performant, scalable, and portable Python-based Monte Carlo neutron transport code.” In *Proceedings International Conference on Mathematics and Computational Methods Applied to Nuclear Science and Engineering*. Niagara Falls, Ontario, Canada (2023)
- J. P. Morgan, A. Long, K. Long, and K. E. Niemeyer, “Novel MC TRT Method: Vectorizable Variance Reduction for Energy Spectra” In *Transactions of the American Nuclear Society*, volume 126, pp. 276-278. Anaheim, California, USA (2022).
- J. P. Morgan, T. S. Palmer, and K. E. Niemeyer. “Explorations of Python-Based Automatic Hardware Code Generation for Neutron Transport Applications.” In *Transactions of the American Nuclear Society*, volume 126, pp. 318-320. Anaheim, California, USA (2022).
- J. P. Morgan & B. Mustpaha, "Analysis of an X-Y Scanner magnet for Use in Cancer Radiotherapy Treatment," 23 August 2019.  
<https://indico.fnal.gov/event/21420/session/4/material/3/0.pdf>.

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

- **Graduate Research Assistant**  
Oregon State University, *School of MIME*, June 2020 - Present  
**Subject (1):** Python based acceleration and abstraction of compute kernels for dynamic Monte Carlo in a rapid methods development code MC/DC<sup>1</sup> as part of the Center for Exascale Monte Carlo Neutron Transport<sup>2</sup> (CEMeNT)  
**Subject (2):** Explorations of the one cell inversion method as an alternative to transport sweeps for deterministic dynamic neutron transport on GPUs  
**Mentors:** Kyle E. Niemeyer & Todd S. Palmer
- **Co-Op Research Intern**  
Advanced Micro Devices (AMD), HPC GPU Apps Support Group, September 2023 - May 2024

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<sup>1</sup> <https://github.com/CEMeNT-PSAAP/MCDC>

<sup>2</sup> <https://cement-psaap.github.io/>

Mentors: Damon McDougall, Christopher Kime

- **Graduate Research Intern**  
Los Alamos National Laboratory, XCP-3, June 2022 - May 2023  
Subject: Implementing Woodcock delta tracking on a structured mesh within the production code MCATK. *This work was pushed to a production version release.*  
Mentors: Travis J. Trehan, Timothy P. Burke, & Collin J. Josey
- **Graduate Research Intern**  
Los Alamos National Laboratory, CCS-2, June 2021 - June 2022  
Subject: Novel methods exploration in vectorizable variance reduction for thermal radiation transport (TRT)  
Mentors: Kendra Long & Alex Long
- **Lee Teng Undergraduate Research Fellow**  
Argonne National Laboratory, June 2019 - September 2019  
Subject: Cancer radiotherapy scanner magnet design & analysis  
Mentors: Brahim Mustapha
- **Science Undergraduate Laboratory Intern (SULI)**  
Thomas Jefferson National Accelerator Facility, June 2018 - August 2018  
Subject: Superconducting quadrupole magnet optimization  
Mentors: Renuka Rajput-Ghoshal

## POSTER PRESENTATIONS

- J. P. Morgan, T. J. Trahan, T. P. Burke, C. J. Josey, and K. E. Niemeyer. "Hybrid-Delta Tracking on a Structured Mesh in MCATK." International Conference on Mathematics and Computational Methods Applied to Nuclear Science and Engineering. Niagara Falls, Ontario, Canada (2023).
- J. P. Morgan, I. Variansyah, T. S. Palmer, and K. E. Niemeyer. "Exploring One-Cell Inversion Method for Transient Transport on GPU." High Energy Density Summer School, San Diego, California. July 2023
- J. P. Morgan, T. S. Palmer, and K. E. Niemeyer "Exploring One-Cell Inversion as a Transport Solver", CEMeNT AST Meeting, Corvallis, Oregon. October 2022
- J. P. Morgan and B. Mustapha, "Carbon therapy X-Y scanner magnet analysis," in Lee Teng Internship - Posters and Final Report Presentations, Fermi National Accelerator Facility, Batavia, Illinois. August 2019.
- J. P. Morgan and R. Rajput-Ghoshal, "Jefferson lab electron ion collider interaction region quadrupole magnet optimization," in Undergraduate Research Poster Presentations, Thomas Jefferson National Accelerator Facility, Newport News, Virginia, August, 2018.

## SUMMER SCHOOLS

- US Research Software Sustainability Institute (URSSI), January 2024, Portland, OR  
Hosted at Oregon State University Portland Center  
Attended as a teaching assistant
- High Energy Density Science (HEDS) Summer School, July 2023, San Diego, California  
at University of California San Diego
- United States Particle Accelerator School (USPAS), June 2018, Albuquerque, New Mexico  
*Course: Fundamentals of Accelerator Physics and Technology with Simulations and Measurements Lab*  
Credit provided by University of New Mexico

## CONFERENCE ATTENDANCE

- July 2024, Scientific Computing in Python (SciPy), Tacoma, WA\*
- May 2024, NEA Workshop for Radiation Transport Simulation Developers (RTS 2024), Frascati, Italy
- April 2024, 18th Copper Mountain Conference on Iterative Methods (SIAM), Copper Mountain, CO\*
- April 2024, Sustainable Scientific Software Conference (S3C), Seattle, WA\*
- January 2024, NUWEST, Albuquerque, NM  
unable to attend due to weather
- August 2023, International Conference on Mathematics and Computational Methods Applied to Nuclear Science and Engineering (ANS M&C International), Niagara Falls, Ontario, Canada\*
- July 2022, Scientific Computing in Python (SciPy), Austin, Texas\*
- June 2022, American Nuclear Society Annual Conference, Anaheim, California\*
- October 2021, Conference on Mathematics and Computational Methods Applied to Nuclear Science (ANS M&C), Raleigh, North Carolina (*virtual*)

\* presented at

## CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- J. P. Morgan, I. Variansyah, T. S. Palmer, and K. E. Niemeyer. “Exploring One-Cell Inversion Method for Transient Transport on GPU.” International Conference on Mathematics and Computational Methods Applied to Nuclear Science and Engineering. Niagara Falls, Ontario, Canada (2023).

- J. P. Morgan, T. S. Palmer, & K. E. Niemeyer, “Hardware Code Generation Techniques for Accelerating Python.”, Scientific Python, Austin, Texas, USA, July 2020
- J. P. Morgan, T. S. Palmer, & K. E. Niemeyer, “Hardware Code Generation Techniques for Accelerating Python”, Annual Meeting of the American Nuclear Society, Anaheim, California, USA, June 2020
- J. P. Morgan, A. Long, K. Long & K. E. Niemeyer, “A novel MC TRT method: vectorizable variance reduction for the energy spectra”, Annual Meeting of the American Nuclear Society, Anaheim, California, USA, June 2020

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- Supplemental Instructor, *Student Services & Dept. Natural Sciences*  
Oregon Institute of Technology, September 2017 - March 2020  
Class: Physics for medical imaging  
Directed by: Robyn Wilde
- Peer Consultant, *Student Services*  
Oregon Institute of Technology, January 2018 - June 2020  
**Subjects:** Numerical methods, differential & integral calculus, linear algebra, intro to algebra, trigonometry, college algebra, statistics, heat transfer, statics, thermodynamics, fluid dynamics, strengths of materials, physics with calculus.
- Mathematics Grader, *Dept. Mathematics*  
Oregon Institute of Technology, January 2018 - March 2020  
**Subjects:** Numerical methods (in MATLAB), differential & integral calculus, linear algebra, intro to algebra, trigonometry, college algebra, statistics.  
Directed by: Cristina Negoita and Terri Torres

## PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- Member, American Nuclear Society (ANS)
- Member, Tau Beta Pi (Engineering Honors Society)

## OTHER ACTIVITIES

- Volunteer; Whiteside Theater, Corvallis, OR (March 2023 - Present)
- Student Commissioner; Library Recourse Commission (October 2017 - June 2020).
- Committee Member; University Librarian Search Committee (March 2018 - June 2018).
- Student Building Manager; Oregon Institute of Technology College Union (February 2017 - March 2020).

- President; Oregon Institute of Technology Chapter of Circle K International Community Service Club (May 2019 - June 2020)
- Treasurer; Oregon Delta - Tau Beta Pi (May 2019 - May 2020)
- Notary Public; State of Oregon (November 17<sup>th</sup>, 2016 - November 16<sup>th</sup>, 2020)

## AWARDS and FELLOWSHIPS

- Illinois Accelerator Institute; *Lee Teng Undergraduate Research Fellowship in Accelerator Science* (2019).
- ASME; *Irma and Robert Bennett Scholarship* (2019).
- Pride Foundation; *Lenehan-Warn Technical Education Scholarship* (2017).

## SKILLS

### Languages and Language Adjecents

- C/C++ (OpenMP, C-CUDA, HIPCC/ROCm, Kokkos, AVX, SIMD, MPI, Intel MKL, LAPACK) (intermediate)
- Python (Numba, mpi4py, Numpy, Scipy, Matplotlib, CuPy, CProfiler) (expert)
- Matlab (intermediate), VBA in Excel (lol)
- FORTRAN (beginner)
- LLVM (beginner-intermediate)
- Compilers: Numba (LLVM bindings for Python), Intel Compilers, HIP and ROCm (CLANG) compilers, GCC, CRAY Compilers

### Software Development Tools

- Profilers: Intel Vtune, NVIDIA N-Sight, TotalView
- Debuggers: valgrind, gdb

### Engineering Design and Simulation Tools

- CAD/CAE: Creo, SolidWorks, AutoCAD, Inventor, NX, CST, OperaOptimizer, EES, FEMM
- Nuclear Engineering Codes: MCNP, MCATK (developed in), MC/DC (developed in), Shift (developed in)
- Visualization Toolkits: Paraview, Visit

### MISC Development Tools:

- Services: Git(hub), Gitlab, Bitbucket,
- Terminal: Bash, z-shell, ssh & X-11 forwarding
- Publishing: Conda, PyPi, Sphinx, Read the Docs
- Continuous Integration: Github actions, Build bot, Jakamar runners
- Website Builders: Sphinx, Read the Docs, Jekyll, Ruby

## REFERENCES

Available upon request

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