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## EDUCATION

12<sup>th</sup> FLUKA Course, May 2012

USPAS graduate level Free Electron Laser course, Jan 2003

USPAS Accelerator Physics course, Jan 2002

Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI

Ph.D. in Physics, June 1986

M.S. in Physics, June 1982

Kalamazoo College, Kalamazoo, MI

B.A. in Physics , June 1978

## PHYSICS SKILLS

### Accelerator Physics

- Second leading expert on `g4beamline`, a very widely used accelerator simulation program based on `Geant4` that includes the interactions of particles with matter  
<http://g4beamline.muonsinc.com>
- wrote the `rf_device` package for `g4beamline 2.10`
- wrote a test space charge and `virtualcone` package for `g4beamline`
- wrote a number of ancilliary programs for `g4beamline` including `kmimf`, `optim2g4blmodel`, `txt2blfieldmap`, and `makeuniformbunch`
- wrote the `retrack` program to analyze the results of beam line simulations
- simulated many muon cooling beam channels and muon accelerators
- wrote, modified and maintained simulation software for the Center for Advanced Studies of Accelerators (CASA) at TJNAF, later for Muons, Inc. and the Muon Accelerator Program (MAP)
- rewrote software (`tdbuu` and `matbbu`) and performed calculations to predict beam

- breakup thresholds for the superconducting RF cavities used in the TJNAF FEL and CEBAF accelerators
- simulated the effect of stray magnetic fields on beams in CEBAF experimental hall C
- participated in the CEBAF Energy Recovery experiment
- extensively rewrote and modified software to simulate the beam-beam interaction
- performed extensive simulations using that software for a proposed electron-ion collider
- designed, modeled, and constructed particle beamline components and transport systems (slits, monitors, magnets, targets)
- performed simulations using PARMELA to understand space charge effects in the Continuous Electron Beam Accelerator Facility (CEBAF) injector; modified same for use simulating CEBAF and FEL injectors

### Particle Physics

- major collaborator in the ongoing Light Pseudoscalar and Scalar particle Search (LIPSS) experiment at Thomas Jefferson National Accelerator Facility's (TJNAF) 10kW Free Electron Laser (FEL)
- wrote and used the `lipssscan` program to translate, manipulate, and analyze LIPSS data in an attempt to create and detect dark matter
- worked with students participating in the LIPSS experiment

### Aerospace

- supported many tests at the NASA Langley 14x22' wind tunnel
- unscrambled legacy FORTRAN and C code, wrote `splitcf` program to assist analysis
- modified and debugged a real time rotor control system for helicopter models
- developed a real time digital flapping resolver for helicopters
- repaired electronics

### Nuclear Physics

- was a long term member of the CEBAF Large Acceptance Spectrometer (CLAS) detector event reconstruction software group
- developed reconstruction software for the CLAS forward angle calorimeters
- was co-leader of the CEBAF hall C software group
- designed coincidence electronics and related software for a Moller Polarimeter measurement at the MIT Bates accelerator
- upgraded the calibration and control software for the Argonne National Lab/Notre Dame BGO ball detector at the ATLAS accelerator
- extensive simulation coding and use (Geant3, BOCKVI, etc.)
- low and high energy (0.1 MeV-4 GeV), light and heavy ion ( $e^-$ -La<sup>139</sup>), high spin, nuclear resonance fluorescence, gamma ray spectroscopy, and proton induced Xray research and analysis experience at numerous labs, including Wayne State University, Fermilab, National Superconducting Cyclotron Lab, Indiana University Cyclotron

Facility, Brookhaven National Lab, Lawrence Berkeley National Lab, Chalk River Nuclear Laboratories, Argonne National Lab and Jefferson Lab.

- designed, modeled, constructed and used gas, solid state, Cerenkov, and scintillation radiation detectors
- experience handling radioactive materials and working in radioactive environments

### **Teaching**

- taught several undergraduate lecture and lab courses
- taught a graduate level lab course on nuclear techniques

## **COMPUTER AND ELECTRONICS SKILLS**

### **Programming**

- wrote and documented a variety of scientific software packages; some available at [http://casa.jlab.org/internal/code\\_library/code\\_library.shtml](http://casa.jlab.org/internal/code_library/code_library.shtml)
- wrote low level code to interface to CAMAC, FASTBUS, and VME hardware

### **Most Notable Programs**

- `lipssscan` – manipulate and analyze data from the LIPSS dark matter search
- `kmimf` – generic model optimization tool for Unix and Cygwin/Windows programs
- `retrack` – manipulate, transform, and analyze output from PARMELA, `g4beamline`, `OptiM`, and `ICOOL` simulations of particle accelerators
- `sifter` - wind tunnel data analysis and conversion
- `dfr` - a realtime digital flapping resolver for helicopters
- `splitcf` - very powerful legacy code analyzer and documentation tool

### **Languages**

- extensive structured FORTRAN, C, and C++ experience on many platforms
- Visual C++, HTML, Tk/Tcl, Perl, Java, QAL, DCL, BASIC, ALGOL, and CSMP experience

### **Data Acquisition Systems**

- MCAs, NSCL-SARA, ORNL-HHIRF, ANL-DAPHNE, LAMPF-Q, CEBAF-CODA, VME-based, and EPICS

### **Operating Systems and Networks**

- Ethernet and Appletalk network manager
- Linux, HP-UX, DEC-Ultrix, MS Windows, and Apple MacOS system manager
- UNIX: Linux, MkLinux, HP-UX, DEC-Ultrix, SunOS, IBM-AIX, VxWorks, CrayOS, DEC-OSF
- MS DOS, MS Windows, Apple MacOS, MacOSX

- DEC-VAX VMS and PDP-10, 11, RSX, Perkin-Elmer OS-32, IBM-MVS

## Hardware

- RTL, TTL, CMOS, LSI, SCSI, EIDE, MBD, NIM, CAMAC, VME, and FASTBUS experience
- analog, digital, and PC board design and construction experience
- general electronics and electrical work
- general machine shop experience and training

## RECENT EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

Oct 2007 – May 2012, Accelerator Physicist, supervisor T.J.Roberts  
Muons, Inc., Batavia, IL

Feb 2001 – Sep 2007, Computer Scientist, supervisor D.Douglas  
Thomas Jefferson National Accelerator Facility, Newport News, VA

Aug 1997 - Feb 2001, Systems Analyst, supervisor A.B.Graham  
Computer Sciences Corporation, NASA Langley Research Center, Hampton, VA

Sep 1996 - Aug 1997, Assistant Professor of Physics, supervisor R. Gordon,  
James Madison University, Harrisonburg, VA

## PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATION

American Physical Society

## PUBLICATIONS

A more detailed resume and complete publication list are available upon request or from:  
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- 40 refereed publications
- 43 technical notes
- 15 automotive articles

## REFERENCES

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