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## EDUCATION

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- University of Oregon** Eugene, OR  
Ph.D. in Computer Science exp. 2023
- Thesis title: Optical Topology Programming: Foundations, Algorithms, and Applications
  - Advisor: Prof. Ramakrishnan Durairajan
  - This study proposes a framework for improving wide-area network performance and security by opportunistically changing the physical layer topology.
- University of Oregon** Eugene, OR  
M.S. in Computer Science 2022
- Cal Poly Humboldt** Arcata, CA  
B.S. in Computer Science 2016
- Minor: Applied mathematics

## EXPERIENCE

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- University of Oregon** Eugene, OR  
Graduate Employee - Researcher June 2019–Current
- Applications of cross-layer programmable optical/IP networks.
  - Wrote simulation software and designed experiments for prototyping reconfigurable topology applications for DDoS defense and traffic engineering.
  - Wrote and published a survey on reconfigurable optical networks and a workshop paper describing methods for DDoS defense using optics. Experimentally demonstrated sub-minute long-haul optical link configuration times.
- Nokia Bell Labs** Murray Hill, NJ (Remote)  
Intern - Smart Optical Fabric & Devices Lab Summer 2020
- Stream processing of optical network telemetry data.
  - Designed and built an anomaly detection method for optical network telemetry data using statistical methods in Python.
  - Awarded Bell Labs Summer Research Award for Distinguished Innovation. Co-authored a top-scoring paper for the European Conference on Optical Communications.
- University of Oregon** Eugene, OR  
Graduate Employee - Teacher January 2018–June 2019
- Lead lab sessions in Computer Science courses: Python, Data Structure, Networking Fundamentals, and Operating Systems.
  - Design hands-on exercises and projects for students. Manage teams of undergraduate teaching assistants for large classes (120 students).

## SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS

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- University of Oregon Doctoral Research Fellowship 2022
- Bell Labs Summer Research Award for Distinguished Innovation 2020
- Ripple Cyber-security Fellowship 2019–2020
- Erwin & Gertrude Juilfs Scholarship in Computer and Information Science 2019

## PUBLICATIONS

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- [1] J. E. Simsarian, G. Hosangadi, W. Van Raemdonck, J. Gripp, **M. Nance-Hall**, J. Yu, and T. Sizer, “Demonstration of cloud-based streaming telemetry processing for optical network monitoring”, in *2021 European Conference on Optical Communication (ECOC)*, 2021, pp. 1–4.
- [2] **M. Nance-Hall**, P. Barford, K.-T. Foerster, M. Ghobadi, W. Jensen, and R. Durairajan, “Are wans ready for optical topology programming?”, in *Proceedings of the ACM SIGCOMM 2021 Workshop on Optical Systems*, ser. OptSys ’21, Virtual Event, USA: Association for Computing Machinery, 2021, pp. 28–33, ISBN: 9781450386500.
- [3] **M. Nance-Hall**, K.-T. Foerster, S. Schmid, and R. Durairajan, “A Survey of Reconfigurable Optical Networks”, *Optical Switching and Networking*, vol. 41, 2021.
- [4] J. E. Simsarian, **M. Nance-Hall**, G. Hosangadi, J. Gripp, W. van Raemdonck, J. Yu, and T. Sizer, “Stream Processing for Optical Network Monitoring with Streaming Telemetry and Video Analytics”, in *European Conference on Optical Communications (ECOC)*, Virtual Event, Belgium: IEEE, Dec. 2020.
- [5] **M. Nance-Hall**, G. Liu, R. Durairajan, and V. Sekar, “Fighting Fire with Light: Tackling Extreme Terabit DDoS Using Programmable Optics”, in *Proceedings of the Workshop on Secure Programmable Network Infrastructure (SPIN)*, Virtual Event, New York, USA: ACM, Aug. 2020.
- [6] S. K. Mani, **M. Nance-Hall**, R. Durairajan, and P. Barford, “Characteristics of Metro Fiber Deployments in the US”, in *Proceedings of the Network Traffic Measurement and Analysis Conference (TMA)*, Virtual Event, Germany, Jun. 2020.
- [7] **M. Nance-Hall** and R. Durairajan, “Bridging the optical-packet network chasm via secure enclaves (extended abstract)”, in *Proceedings of the Workshop on Optical Systems Design*, ser. OptSys ’20, Virtual Event, USA: Association for Computing Machinery, 2020.
- [8] **M. Nance-Hall**, J. Sommers, and R. Durairajan, “A compressed sensing approach to taming the internet measurement data deluge (poster)”, in *ACM Internet Measurement Conference*, ser. IMC ’18, Boston, MA: Association for Computing Machinery, 2020.
- [9] **M. Nance-Hall**, V. Chidambaram, and R. Durairajan, “Vfiber: Virtualizing unused optical fibers (extended abstract)”, in *USENIX Networked Systems Design and Implementation*, ser. NSDI ’18, Renton, WA: USENIX, 2018.
- [10] **M. Nance-Hall**, C. Robins, K. Owens, J. Nowatzke, T. Lauck, and L. E. Smith, “High performance supercomputing on a budget”, *J. Comput. Sci. Coll.*, vol. 32, no. 4, pp. 86–92, Apr. 2017, ISSN: 1937-4771.