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## EXPERIENCE

*Employment*    **Software Systems Engineer**    October 1981 to present  
Autonomous Undersea Systems Institute, PO Box 86, Old Concord Turnpike, Lee, NH, 03824. Technical lead in design, implementation, and maintenance of software systems to support autonomous underwater vehicle (AUV) research.

*Projects*    **Solar AUV Software Architecture**    Jan 2003 to present  
Design and implementation of embedded software for Solar powered AUV. Includes development environment support tools and documentation.

**Cooperative Behaviors**    May 1996 to present  
Multi year ONR grant (N00014-96-1-5009) to design a Common Command Language (CCL) for fleets of autonomous systems.

**Basic AUV Behaviors**    May 1994 to May 1997  
Lead in three year NSF grant (BES-9222146) to design a basic AUV behavior suite.

**Multiple AUV Simulation Harness**    Summer 1993 to present  
Designed and implemented multiple AUV testing and simulation server. System simulates medium sized fleets of heterogenous AUVs interacting with their environment and each other.

**Multi-Processor AUV Computer System**    Summer 1988 to 1995  
Designed, implemented, and coordinated VME based Multi-Processor (MVMP) computer system for AUV; 1-5 CPUs, 10 serial ports, SCSI optical disk interface, integrated pSOS, pRISM, pROBE modules; system control and boot software; MVMP programming environment: applications code philosophy, libraries, support tools and documentation manual. Transporting same to VxWorks.

**Multiprocess Simulation**    Winter 1985 to Summer 1993  
Designed and implemented multiprocess simulation of AUV. System simulates multiple AUVs traversing a shared world; used for AUV development, testing, and demonstrations.

**World Model for AUV**    Spring 1988 to Winter 1989  
Designed and implemented world model prototype; augments vehicle route planner (see below) providing internal representation of the AUV's perceived world. Based on quadrees.

**Dual Blackboard Vehicle Route Planner (MS Thesis)**    Spring 1985 to Summer 1987  
Masters Thesis; adaptation of Hayes-Roth dual blackboard architecture for control to the AUV route planning domain and subsequent implementation on Lambda LISP machine.

**Design of Layered Vehicle Control Architecture**    Spring 1984 to present  
Participant in the design of a generic architecture for layered, time ordered vehicle control.

**Runtime environments for AUV low level systems**    Spring 1982 to present  
Design, implementation, and maintenance of systems and applications software for embedded systems, which provide sensor and effector management as well as higher level functions for working AUVs.

**Magnetic Bubble Memory File System**    Autumn 1981 to Summer 1983  
File management operating system for stand alone MBM data recorder. Used to record AUV data for post mission analysis.

*Publications*    Authored seven papers, one masters thesis; co-authored 30 papers.  
*Systems*    Linux, Solaris, SunOs, UNOS; QNX, VxWorks, pSOS, custom embedded OS; DOS, Windows 2000/XP

*Languages*    C, LISP;  $\LaTeX$ , nroff.

*Interests*    Multiple agent systems, autonomous embedded systems, simulation, artificial intelligence and symbolic programming techniques applied to real world problems, systems programming, networking.

## EDUCATION

**Master of Science in Computer Science**, University of New Hampshire, 1987; Thesis title: An Autonomous Vehicle Supervisor Module Using the Blackboard Control Architecture.

**Bachelor of Science in Botany**, University of New Hampshire, 1978

Junior Year Abroad Program: University of Salzburg, Austria 1976-1977.

Honor Societies: Phi Beta Kappa, Phi Sigma.

## RELATED PUBLICATIONS

**Autonomous Undersea Systems Network (AUSNET) - Protocols to Support ad-hoc AUV Communications.** Benton, Charles, Kenney, James, Nitzel, Robert, Blidberg, D. Richard, and Chappell, Steven G. In *Proceedings of the Thirteenth International Symposium on Unmanned Untethered Submersible Technology*, August, 2003.

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**Cooperative behavior in an autonomous oceanographic sampling network: MAUV project update.** Chappell, Steven G., Turner, Roy M., Turner, Elise H., and Grunden, Charles. In *Tenth International Symposium on Unmanned Untethered Submersible Technology*, September 1997, Durham, NH. Autonomous Undersea Systems Institute, 86 Old Concord Turnpike, Lee, NH 03824, 1999, pages 375–384.

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**Using common LISP in the EAVE autonomous underwater vehicle.** Bowen, Paul C., Chappell, Steven G., and Gonzalez, Roger. *IEEE Journal of Ocean Engineering*, 15(3):221–227, 1990.

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