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RESEARCH INTERESTS	Partial differential equations, geometric measure theory, calculus of variations, stochastic analysis, fluid dynamics, and machine learning	
ACADEMIC POSITIONS	<b>Vanderbilt University</b> , Nashville, TN, USA Postdoc Scholar (Research), <b>Department of Mathematics</b> Mentor: <b>Dr. Gieri Simonett</b>	Sep. 2021-Aug. 2024
EDUCATION	<b>Purdue University</b> , West Lafayette, IN Ph.D., Mathematics Advisor: <b>Dr. Changyou Wang</b>  <b>Beijing Normal University</b> , Beijing, China M.S., Computational Mathematics Advisor: <b>Dr. Jiequan Li</b>  <b>South China Normal University</b> , Guangzhou, China B.S., Mathematics and Applied Mathematics	Aug. 2016-Aug. 2021  Sep. 2013-July 2016  Sep. 2009-July 2013
PUBLICATIONS	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>Hengrong Du, Gieri Simonett, Yuanzhen Shao. <i>On a thermodynamically consistent model for magnetoviscoelastic fluids in 3D</i>. J. Evol. Equ. 24 (2024), no. 9, 1-51.</li><li>Wei Deng, Yu Chen, Nicole Tianjiao Yang, Hengrong Du, Qi Feng, Ricky T. Q. Chen. <i>On convergence of approximate Schrödinger bridge with bounded cost</i>. ICML Workshop on New Frontiers in Learning, Control, and Dynamical Systems (2023).</li><li>Hengrong Du, Nung Kwan Yip. <i>Stability of self-similar solutions to geometric flows</i>. Interfaces Free Bound. 25 (2023), no. 2, 155–191.</li><li>Hengrong Du, Qinfeng Li, Changyou Wang. <i>Compactness of <math>M</math>-uniform domains and optimal thermal insulation problems</i>. Adv. Calc. Var. 16 (2023), no. 1, 17-43.</li><li>Hengrong Du, Yuanzhen Shao, Gieri Simonett. <i>Well-posedness for magneto-viscoelastic fluids in 3D</i>. Nonlinear Anal. Real World Appl. 69 (2023), no. 103759.</li><li>Hengrong Du, Tao Huang, Changyou Wang. <i>Weak compactness property of simplified nematic liquid crystal flows in dimension two</i>. Math. Z. 302 (2022), no. 2, 2111-2130.</li></ol>	

7. Hengrong Du, Changyou Wang. *Global weak solutions to the stochastic Ericksen–Leslie system in dimension two*. Discrete Contin. Dyn. Syst. 42 (2022), no. 5, 2175-2197.
8. Hengrong Du, Changyou Wang. *Partial regularity of a nematic liquid crystal model with kinematic transport effects*. Nonlinearity 34 (2021), no. 5, 3001-3045.
9. Hengrong Du, Yimei Li, Changyou Wang. *Weak solutions of non-isothermal nematic liquid crystal flow in dimension three*. J. Elliptic Parabol. Equ. 6 (2020), no. 1, 71-98.
10. Hengrong Du, Xianpeng Hu, Changyou Wang. *Suitable Weak Solutions for the Co-rotational Beris–Edwards System in Dimension Three*. Arch. Ration. Mech. Anal. 238 (2020), no. 2, 749-803.

#### ONGOING WORK

1. Hengrong Du, Chuntian Wang. *Partial regularity for the three-dimensional stochastic Ericksen–Leslie Equations*, [arXiv:2401.03662](#).
2. Wei Deng, Yu Chen, Nicole Tianjiao Yang, Hengrong Du, Qi Feng, Ricky T. Q. Chen. *Reflected Schrödinger bridge for constrained generative modeling*, [arXiv:2401.03228](#).
3. Yikun Bai, Rocio Diaz Martin, Hengrong Du, Ashkan Shahbazi, Soheil Kolouri. *Efficient solvers for partial Gromov-Wasserstein*, submitted.
4. Haoyang Zheng, Hengrong Du, Qi Feng, Wei Deng, Guang Lin. *Constrained exploration via reflected replica exchange stochastic gradient langevin dynamics*, submitted.

#### AWARDS

- Bilsland Dissertation Fellowship June 2020-May 2021  
It is intended to give the most accomplished final-year PhD candidates an opportunity to complete the dissertation within the 2020–21 academic year by devoting full-time effort to research and writing.

#### TALKS

- AMS Special Section on Dynamics and Regularity of PDEs  
Joint Mathematics Meeting (upcoming) January 2024
- Seminar on Analysis and Stochastic Analysis  
Auburn University (upcoming) November 2023
- PDE Seminar  
Tennessee of Tennessee, Knoxville (upcoming) October 2023
- PDE/Applied Math Semin  
Indiana University Bloomington (upcoming) October 2023

- Richard F. Barry Jr. Seminar Series  
Old Dominion University September 2023
- The 13th AIMS Conference  
University of North Carolina Wilmington June 2023
- AMS Spring Central Sectional Meeting  
University of Cincinnati April 2023
- Undergraduate Seminar in Mathematics  
Vanderbilt University March 2023
- Analysis Seminar  
Wayne State University March 2023
- 3rd Biennial Meeting of SIAM Pacific Northwest Section  
Washington State University May 2022
- AMS Spring Central Virtual Sectional Meeting  
Purdue University March 2022
- Graduate Online Mini-course  
Beijing Normal University November 2021
- PDE Seminar Fall 2021  
Vanderbilt University September 2021
- Analysis Seminar  
The University of Alabama February 2021
- PDE Seminar  
Purdue University September 2020
- Student Analysis Seminar  
Purdue University February 2020
- Student Analysis Seminar  
Purdue University February 2020
- PDE Seminar  
Purdue University January 2020

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| CONFERENCE<br>PARTICIPATION | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rivière-Fabes Symposium on Analysis and PDE<br/>University of Minnesota Apr. 19-21, 2023</li> <li>• Shanks Workshop on Advances in Mathematical and Theoretical Biology<br/>Vanderbilt University Mar. 17-19, 2023</li> <li>• Workshop on Geometry and Analysis of Fluid Flows<br/>Stony Brook University Jan. 16-20, 2023</li> <li>• AMS Fall Central Sectional Meeting<br/>University of Texas at El Paso Sep. 17-18, 2022</li> <li>• Shanks Workshop on Mathematical Aspect of Fluid Dynamics<br/>Vanderbilt University Feb. 19-20, 2022</li> <li>• KUMUNU-ISU Conference on PDE, Dynamical Systems, and Applications<br/>University of Nebraska-Lincoln Oct. 23-24, 2021</li> <li>• AMS Fall Western Sectional Meeting<br/>Online Oct. 23-24, 2021</li> <li>• The 84th Midwest PDE Seminar</li> </ul> |
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	Illinois Institute of Technology	Oct. 26-27, 2019
	• Midwest Geometry Conference 2019	
	Iowa State University	Sept. 6-8, 2019
	• The 83rd Midwest PDE Seminar	
	Indiana University Bloomington	Mar. 30-31, 2019
TEACHING	Instructor at Vanderbilt University	Fall 2021-Present
EXPERIENCE	• MATH 2400 Differential Equations with Linear Algebra	Fall 2023
	• MATH 3100 Introduction to Analysis	Spring 2023
	• MATH 3100 Introduction to Analysis	Fall 2022
	• MATH 1301 Accelerated Single-Variable Calculus II	Fall 2022
	• MATH 2420 Methods of Ordinary Differential Equations	Spring 2022
	• MATH 2400 Differential Equations with Linear Algebra	Spring 2022
	Recitation Instructor at Purdue University	Fall 2016-Summer 2021
	• MA 26200 Linear Algebra And Differential Equations	Fall 2019
	• MA 16200 Plane Analytic Geometry And Calculus II	Spring 2019
	• MA 16500 Plane Analytic Geometry And Calculus I	Fall 2018