

Curriculum Vitae

Personal Information

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Current position

AUG 2019–present **Researcher in Numerical Analysis, (Ricercatrice a tempo determinato di tipo A - SSD: MAT/08)**, *Department of Mathematics, Informatics and Economics, University of Basilicata.*

Previous position

MAR 2017–JUL 2019 **Post-Doc Research Fellow**, *Department of Information Engineering, University of Padova, Department of excellence (2018 - 2022).*
Supervisor Prof. Morten Gram Pedersen

Education

FEB 2017 **Ph.D. in Mathematics**, *University of Torino.*
Supervisor Prof. Ezio Venturino
2013 **Master of Science in Mathematics**, *University of Torino.*
Supervisor Prof. Elena Cordero
2011 **Bachelor's degree in Mathematics**, *University of Torino.*

Teaching and popularization experiences

2019/2020 Tutor DIMIE for the Laboratory in collaboration with the High School "Galileo Galilei", Potenza
2019/2020 Professor at Università della Basilicata, Complements in Numerical Analysis .
2016/2017 Teaching assistant at Politecnico di Torino, Analysis 1.
2015/2016 Teaching assistant at Università degli Studi di Torino, Mathematics.
2009–2011 Private lessons at high school and secondary school students at Ludus in fabula, Almese.

Organization of scientific meetings

NOV 2016 Co-organizer of **1st International Workshop Franco-Italian Mathematical Ecology Days**, Turin – IT.
SEP 2015 Co-organizer of **CAMo: from molecules to modeling**, Turin – IT.
2014 Researchers' Night in Torino, an European level popularization of science event.

Research areas of interest

- Mathematical models applied to cancer; Graph signal processing
- Spatiotemporal and Stochastic models for endocrine cells; Electrical activity and Ca^{+} dynamics in endocrine cells
- Slow/fast bifurcation analysis; excitation waves
- Mathematical modelling; Biological systems; Ecoepidemiological mathematical models; Wastewater bioremediation;
- Harmonic analysis, time-frequency analysis and applications to Schrödinger equations; Gabor frames and applications

Memberships of scientific societies

- 2020–present Member of Unione Matematica Italiana, UMI
- 2020–present Member of Società Italiana di Matematica Applicata e Industriale, SIMAI
- 2019–present Member of Research Italian network on Approximation, RITA
- 2019–present Member of European Women in Mathematics, EWM
- 2019–present Member of Complex Systems Society, CCS
- 2019 Member of Biophysical Society, BPS
- 2016–present Member of Society for Mathematical Biology, SMB
- 2016–present Member of Gruppo Nazionale per il Calcolo Scientifico, GNCS-INdAM
- 2013–2015 Member of Gruppo Nazionale per l'Analisi Matematica, la Probabilità e le loro Applicazioni, GNAMPA-INdAM

Major collaborations

M. G. Pedersen and F. Montefusco (Università di Padova), E. Venturino, F. Spina and G. C. Varese (Università di Torino), F. Hilker (Osnabrück University), C. Berardo (University of Helsinki), P. Baptista and T. Gomes (Polytechnic Institute of Braganca), H. Laurie (University of Cape Town), N. F. Britton (University of Bath), P. K. Tiwari (Kolkata University), A. K. Misra (Banaras Hindu University), V. H. Sanches (Universidade de Sao Paulo), Stéphanie Depickère (Universidad Mayor de San Andrés), T. Vo and R. Bertram (Florida State University), J. Tabak-Sznajder (University of Exeter), S. Salianni (Università della Basilicata), A.S. Teixeira (IU Network Science Institute, Indiana).

Awards, prizes and grants

- 2020 INdAM - GNCS Project 2020 : Research project grant (as member of RITA), 6400 Euro
- 2020 SNSF grant: Travel Grant 2020, 200 CHF
- 2019 SMB grant: Landahl-Busenbergr Travel Grants 2019, 500 USD
- MAR–JUL 2019 Research grant: Assegno di ricerca di tipo A, Padova–IT
- OCT 2018 INdAM grant: Finanziamento GNCS Giovani Ricercatori 2018–2019, 1200 Euro
- JUL 2018 SMB grant: Landahl Travel Grants 2018, 750 USD
- JUN 2018 Financial support to participate at 2018 Joint CAMBAM/NSERC-CREATE in Complex Dynamics Summer School, Montreal–CAN
- MAR 2017–MAR 2019 Research grant: Assegno di ricerca di tipo A, Padova–IT

OCT 2016 INdAM grant: Finanziamento GNCS Giovani Ricercatori 2016–2017, 1200 euro
 JUN 2016 Best Student Presentation Award at BIOMATH 2016 and the School for Young Scientists, Blagoevgrad–BU
 JUN 2016 SMB grant: SMB Financial Aid Grant BIOMATH 2016
 JUL-SEP 2016 Erasmus Traineeship grant, University of Osnabrück, Germany
 JAN 2016 Financial support to participate at V Southern-Summer School on Mathematical Biology and School on Physics Applications in Biology, San Paolo–BR
 2014-2017 Three-year Ph.D scholarship sponsored by the University of Torino
 2008-2013 Scholarship sponsored by Edisu

Visiting position

JAN 2017 Institute of Environmental Systems Research, Osnabrück
 AUG-SEP 2016 Institute of Environmental Systems Research, Osnabrück
 SEP-MAR 2015 Istituto Superiore Mario Boella (LACE), Torino
 FEB-MAR 2014 Numerical Harmonic Analysis Group (NuHAG), Vienna

Editorial Activity

Reviewer for: Nonlinear Dynamics (NODY), Advances in Difference Equations (AIDE), BioSystems, Mathematics and Computers in Simulation (MATCOM), Biometrical Journal (Biom. J), Applied Mathematics and Computation (AMC)

Participation in schools and conferences

FEB 2020 **Invited** contributed talk at **Convegno e Assemblea GNCS 2020**, Montecatini Terme–IT.
 JAN 2020 Participant at **Winter Workshop on Complex Systems**, Charmey–CH.
 JUL 2019 Contributed talk at **Annual Meeting of the Society for Mathematical Biology**, Montreal–CAN.
 MAY 2019 Poster at **Quantitative Aspects of Membrane Fusion and Fission, BPS Thematic Meeting**, Padova–IT.
 FEB 2019 Poster at **Winter Workshop on Complex Systems**, Zakopane–PL.
 DEC 2018 **Invited** contributed talk at **International Workshop Modeling tools - Survey Meeting of the COST Action FA1405**, Torino–IT.
 OCT 2018 Poster at **Nanoscale mathematical modeling of synaptic transmission, calcium dynamics, transduction and cell sensing**, Pisa–IT.
 JUL 2018 Contributed talk and chair at **Annual Meeting of the Society for Mathematical Biology and the Japanese Society for Mathematical Biology**, Sydney–AU.
 JUN 2018 Participant at **Joint CAMBAM/NSERC-CREATE in Complex Dynamics Summer School** (McGill University), Montreal–CAN.
 MAY 2018 **Invited** contributed talk and chair at **Seminari Padovani di Analisi Numerica**, SPAN2018, Padova–IT.

- FEB 2018 **Invited** contributed talk at **Convegno e Assemblée GNCS 2018**, Montecatini Terme–IT.
- FEB 2018 Contributed talk at **Ninth Workshop Dynamical Systems Applied to Biology and Natural Sciences**, DSABNS 2018, Torino – IT.
- MAY 2017 **Invited** contributed talk at **2nd International Workshop Franco-Italian Mathematical Ecology Days**, Torino – IT.
- JAN-FEB 2017 Contributed talk at **Eight Workshop Dynamical Systems Applied to Biology and Natural Sciences**, DSABNS 2017, Évora – PT.
- NOV 2016 Contributed talk at **1st International Workshop Franco-Italian Mathematical Ecology Days**, Torino – IT.
- JUL 2016 Contributed talk at **16th International Conference Computational and Mathematical Methods in Science and Engineering**, CMMSE2016, Rota – ES.
- JUN 2016 Contributed talk at **International Conference on Mathematical Methods and Models in Biosciences and the School for Young Scientists**, BIOMATH2016, Blagoevgrad–BU.
- JAN 2016 Participant at **School on Physics Applications in Biology**, (ICTP South American Institute for Fundamental Research), San Paolo–BR.
- JAN 2016 Participant at **V Southern-Summer School on Mathematical Biology**, (ICTP South American Institute for Fundamental Research), San Paolo–BR.
- DEC 2015 Poster at **Welcome home**, Turin – IT.
- SEP 2015 Contributed talk at **13th International Conference Of Numerical Analysis And Applied Mathematics**, ICNAAM2015, Rhodes – GR.
- SEP 2015 Participant at **CAMo: from molecules to modelling**, Turin – IT.
- JUL 2015 Contributed talk at **15th International Conference Computational and Mathematical Methods in Science and Engineering**, CMMSE2015, Rota – ES.
- MAR 2015 Contributed talk at **Seminari dei dottorandi**, Turin – IT.
- NOV 2014 Contributed talk at **Seminari dei dottorandi**, Turin – IT.
- OCT 2014 Participant at **Computational Harmonic Analysis - with Applications to Signal and Image Processing School**, (CIRM), Marsiglia – FR.
- JUN 2014 Participant at **Strobl14: Modern time-frequency analysis**, Strobl – AT.

Publications

Indicators related to scientific production: (updated on 19/05/2020)

- Total number of citations 47 (Scopus), 40 (Wos), 74 (Google scholar)
- H index 4 (Scopus), 3 (Wos), 4 (Google scholar)
- Publications 15 (Scopus), 15 (Wos), 28 (Google scholar)

Peer-reviewed journals

- JP15 I. M. Bulai, S. Depickère, V. Hirata, E. Vargas Bernal, Influence of asymptomatic people on malaria transmission: a mathematical model for a low-transmission area case. *Journal of Biological Systems*, 2020.
- JP14 I. M. Bulai, F. Hilker, Eco-epidemiological interactions with predator interference and infection. *Theor Popul Biol*, 2019.
- JP13 N. Britton, I. M. Bulai, S. Saussure, N. Holst, E. Venturino, Can aphids be controlled by fungus? A mathematical model. *Applied Mathematics and Nonlinear Sciences*, 2019.

- JP12 I. M. Bulai, M. G. Pedersen, Stopping waves: Geometric analysis of coupled bursters in an asymmetric excitation field. *Nonlinear Dynamics*, 2019.
- JP11 P. Baptista, I. M. Bulai, T. Gomes, E. Venturino, Modeling the interactions among phytopathogens and phyllosphere microorganisms for the biological disease control of *Olea europaea* L.. *Mathematical Biosciences*, 2018.
- JP10 P. K. Tiwari, I. M. Bulai, F. Bona, E. Venturino, A. K. Misra, Human population effects on the Ulsoor lake fish survival. *Journal of Biological Systems*, 2018.
- JP9 I. M. Bulai, M. G. Pedersen, Hopf bifurcation analysis of the fast subsystem of a polynomial phantom burster model. *Dolomites Research Notes on Approximation*, 2018.
- JP8 I. M. Bulai, F. Spina, G. C. Varese, E. Venturino, Waste-water bioremediation using white rot fungi: validation of a dynamical system with real data obtained in laboratory. *Mathematical Methods in the Applied Sciences*, 2018.
- JP7 P. K. Tiwari, I. M. Bulai, A. K. Misra and E. Venturino, Modelling the direct and indirect effects of pollutants on the survival of fish in water bodies. *Journal of Biological Systems*, 2017.
- JP6 I. M. Bulai, E. Venturino. Shape effects on herd behaviour in ecological interacting population models. *Mathematics and Computers in Simulation*, 2017.
- JP5 I. M. Bulai, E. Venturino. Two mathematical models for dissolved oxygen in a lake. *Journal of Mathematical Chemistry*, 2017.
- JP4 M. Righero, I. M. Bulai, M. A. Francavilla, F. Vipiana, Mirko Bercigli, A. Mori, M. Bandinelli, G. Vecchi. Hierarchical bases preconditioner to enhance convergence of the CFIE with multiscale meshes. *IEEE Antennas and Wireless Propagation Letters*, 2016.
- JP3 I. M. Bulai, E. Venturino. Biodegradation of organic pollutants in a water body. *Journal of Mathematical Chemistry*, 2016.
- JP2 M. Berra, I. M. Bulai, E. Cordero and F. Nicola. Gabor Frames of Gaussian Beams for the Schrödinger equation. *Applied and Computational Harmonic Analysis*, 2015.
- JP1 I. M. Bulai, R. Cavoretto, B. Chialva, D. Duma, E. Venturino. Comparing disease-control policies for interacting wild populations. *Nonlinear Dynamics*, 2014.

Book Chapters

- BC2 H. Laurie, E. Venturino, I. M. Bulai, Herding induced by encounter rate, with predator pressure influencing prey response. To appear in *Dynamical Systems in Biology and Natural Sciences (Springer-SIMAI series)*, 2019.
- BC1 P. Baptista, C. Berardo, I. M. Bulai, T. Gomes, E. Venturino, Modeling the endophytic fungus *Epicoecum nigrum* action to fight the “olive knot” disease caused by *Pseudomonas savastanoi* pv. *savastanoi* (Psv) bacteria in *Olea europea* trees. *Trends in Biomathematics: Modeling, Optimization and Computational Problems*, 2018

Conference proceedings

- P7 F. Montefusco, I. M. Bulai, Exploiting Ultrasensitivity for Biomolecular Implementation of a Control System without Error Detection. To appear in *8th IFAC Conference on Foundations of Systems Biology in Engineering*, 2019.
- P6 I. M. Bulai, A.C. Esteves E. Venturino. A mathematical model for a diseased orange tree. *Proceedings of the 17th International Conference on Computational and Mathematical Methods in Science and Engineering*, 2017.
- P5 I. M. Bulai, E. Venturino. Competition between algae and fungi in a lake: a mathematical model. *Proceedings of the 16th International Conference on Computational and Mathematical Methods in Science and Engineering*, 2016.

- P4 I. M. Bulai, F. Spina, G. C. Varese, E. Venturino. Wastewater bioremediation using white rot fungi: validation of a dynamical system. *Biomath Communications*, Vol 3, No 1, 2016.
- P3 I. M. Bulai, E. Venturino. The Beddington-De Angelis and the HTII product response functions: application to polluted ecosystems biodegradation. *AIP Conference Proceedings*, AIP Conf. Proc. 1738, 390002 (2016).
- P2 I. M. Bulai, E. Venturino. A mathematical model for the biodegradation of organic pollutants in a lake. *Proceedings of the 15th International Conference on Computational and Mathematical Methods in Science and Engineering*, 2015.
- P1 I. M. Bulai, B. Chialva, D. Duma, E. Venturino. Do niches help in controlling disease spread in ecoepidemic models? *Proceedings of the 2013 International Conference on Computational and Mathematical Methods in Science and Engineering*, 2013.

Work in progress

- I. M. Bulai, J. Tabak-Sznajder, M. G. Pedersen, Bursting versus spiking: Systematic investigation of how patterns of electrical activity control local Ca^{2+} and hormone release.
- I. M. Bulai, A. C. Esteves, E. Venturino, A mathematical model for an orange tree and the presence of a pathogen and beneficial fungus on it.
- I. M. Bulai, S. Jamaledine and A. L. Jenner and F. Guichard, Functional responses, coupling strength, and phase dynamics of predator-prey systems
- I. M. Bulai, T. Vo, R. Bertram, M. G. Pedersen, Burst of burst problem for a phantom bursting model.
- C. Berardo, I. M. Bulai, E. Venturino, A non-autonomous system simulating two populations interaction with a population that can change shape in time.
- I. M. Bulai, A. S. Teixeira, B. O. Ulloa, Modelling a Rehab-Recovery-Relapse Cycle.

Other works

- I. M. Bulai, M. Righero, G. Vecchi, F. Vipiana, Algorithms for the generation of MR basis using interpolant gRWG and Algorithm for cell grouping strategy. *In cooperation with the research institute ISMB, LACE group.*

Languages written and spoken

Romanian	Mother tongue	
Italian	Advanced	<i>self-assessed european level C2.</i>
English	Advanced	<i>self-assessed european level C1.</i>
French	Basic	<i>self-assessed european level A2.</i>

Other skills

- Programming in Python.
- Use of mathematical software Matlab, Maple, Xppaut, Calc, Latex, Mathematica, GeoGebra, GiD.
- B Italian driving licence, climbing, amateur dancing.