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My research interests and expertise are in computational engineering and imaging science. My work is uniquely informed by my transdisciplinary training and approaches, combining engineering, mathematical modeling, and scientific computing. My ultimate goal is to exploit the power of computing to accelerate scientific discovery and engineering innovation. My current research focuses on advancing emerging quantitative image modalities to help resolve major challenges in medicine and public health, including early detection of cancers and improved treatment outcomes.

EDUCATION

Emory University, Atlanta, GA (United States)
PhD in Mathematics **2012**

Politecnico di Milano, Milan (Italy) & **Politecnico di Torino**, Turin (Italy)
ASP diploma - Alta Scuola Politecnica **2008**

Politecnico di Milano, Milan (Italy) & **Politecnico di Torino**, Turin (Italy)
Dual Master's degree in Mathematical Engineering, cum laude **2007**

Politecnico di Milano, Milan (Italy)
Bachelor's degree in Mathematical Engineering, cum laude **2005**

EMPLOYMENT

The University of Texas at Austin, Austin, TX
Oden Institute for Computational Engineering and Science

Research Associate Professor **2024 –**
Research Scientist **2022 – 2024**
Research Associate **2015 – 2018**

University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, IL
Department of Bioengineering

Adjunct Research Assistant Professor **2020 –**

Washington University in St. Louis, St. Louis, MO
Electrical & Systems Engineering

Research Assistant Professor **2018 – 2022**
Imaging Science Ph.D. Program Faculty **2018 – 2022**
Institute of Public Health Faculty Scholar **2020 – 2022**

Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory (LLNL), Livermore, CA
Center for Applied Scientific Computing

Visiting Scientist **2015 – 2021**
Postdoctoral Researcher **2013 – 2015**
Student Internship **Summers 2011 & 2012**

Oak Ridge National Laboratory (ORNL), Oak Ridge, TN
Computer Science and Mathematics Division

Student Internship **Summers 2009 & 2010**

HONORS AND AWARDS

Best Student Paper Award, 12th Copper Mountain Conference on Iterative Methods, Copper Mountain, Colorado, US **2012**
Laney Graduate School Scholarship, Emory University, Atlanta, GA **2008 – 2012**
Alta Scuola Politecnica Scholarship, Politecnico of Milano, Milan, Italy, **2005 – 2007**
Medal for best graduate recipient, B.S. in Mathematical Engineering, Politecnico of Milano, Milan, Italy **2005**

Competed in the national phase of the International Mathematical Olympiad, Cesenatico, Italy **2001**

Honors and awards as a team

Seno Medical Best Paper Award, Photons Plus Ultrasound: Imaging and Sensing 2022, SPIE Photonics West BIOS, San Francisco, CA, US **2022**

Honors and awards to students and mentees:

Refik Mert Cam (PhD student co-advised with Dr. Anastasio): Elsa and Floyd Dunn award. This award honors graduate students with demonstrated research interest in topics including, but not limited to, biomedical ultrasound, bioengineering, and related fields, **2024**

Fu Li (PhD student co-advised with Dr. Anastasio): Ultrasonic Imaging and Tomography Cum Laude Poster Award, SPIE Conference on Medical Imaging, **2024**

Luke Lozenski (PhD candidate I advise): Imaging Science Pathway Fellowship, Washington University in St Louis. Full salary support. **2022**–

This fellowship, funded by an NIH T32 Training Grant, is a highly competitive award that recognize academic excellence of graduate students in the McKelvey School of Engineering and the Medical School at Washington University.

Luke Lozenski (PhD candidate I advise): Applied Machine Learning Summer Fellowship, Los Alamos National Laboratory, **2023**

Grants and Contracts

Awarded Research Grants

U. Villa (PI), M Anastasio, S Ermilov, M Pagel (Co-Is). *Advancing three-dimensional preclinical dynamic contrast-enhanced photoacoustic computed tomography via quantitative image reconstruction*, National Institute of Health (NIH), National Institute of Biomedical Imaging and Bioengineering, NIH R01 EB034261
02/15/24—01/31/28 **$2,352,889**

U. Villa, M. Pagel (**MPIs**), *Safe, Accurate Assessment of Treatment Response via Dynamic Contrast Enhanced Multispectral Optoacoustic Tomography Imaging of Tumor Perfusion*, The Joint Center for Computational Oncology (JCCO), Oncological Data and Computational Sciences program.
09/01/23 – 08/31/24 **$50,000** (Direct Costs)

M. Anastasio, A. Oraevsky (MPIs); F. Brooks (Co-I), **U. Villa (Co-I & subaward PI)**, *A Computational Framework Enabling Virtual Imaging Trials of 3D Quantitative Optoacoustic Tomography Breast Imaging*, National Institute of Health (NIH), National Institute of Biomedical Imaging and Bioengineering, NIH R01EB031585
08/01/22 — 04/30/26 awarded to date $1,297,368; expected **$2,318,539**
Subaward amount $391,984

S. Ermilov (PI), M. Anastasio (Co-I), S. Emelianov (Co-I), **U. Villa (Co-I & subaward PI)**. *Integrated photoacoustic and fluorescence imaging system for anatomical, functional, and molecular characterization of murine models*, National Institute of Health (NIH), Novel Tools and Devices for Animal Research Facilities and to Support Care of Animal Models, NIH R44OD023029
08/15/22—07/31/24 **$1,924,204**
Subaward amount $96,068

M. Anastasio and N. Duric (MPIs); **U. Villa (Co-I & subaward PI)**, *Advanced image reconstruction for accurate and high-resolution breast ultrasound tomography*, National Institute of Health, National Institute of Biomedical Imaging and Bioengineering, NIH R01EB028652
09/01/19—08/31/24 **$2,179,420**
Subaward amount $250,761

T. Kim (PI); L. Henke, G. Hugo, C. Park, M. Schmidt,**U. Villa**, H. Yi (**Co-Is**), *MRI augmented X-ray imaging-guided adaptive radiotherapy for pancreatic cancer (MAX-guided ART)*, Siteman Investment Program (Pre-R01 Award)
07/01/2021–06/30/2023 **$200,000**

U. Villa (PI), *ADLA: Automatic differentiation and local assembly of exotic finite element variational forms in MFEM*, LLNL B638337 subcontract
11/01/19–10/31/20 **$59,999**

O. Ghattas (PI) and **U. Villa (Co-PI)**, *Collaborative Research: SI2-SSI: Integrating Data with Complex Predictive Models under Uncertainty: An Extensible Software Framework for Large-Scale Bayesian Inversion*, National Science Foundation, Division of Advanced Cyberinfrastructure, Grant ACI-1550593
09/01/16—08/31/20 **$350,885**
Note: A collaborative research project (separate awards) with N. Petra (UC-Merced), Y. Marzouk

and M. Parno (MIT) with total funding of $1.35M

Awarded Educational Grants

0. Ghattas, Y. Marzouk, M. Parno, N. Petra, G. Stadler, and **U. Villa**,
2018 Gene Golub SIAM Summer School entitled *Inverse Problems: Systematic Integration of Data with Models under Uncertainty*, Society for Industrial and Applied Mathematics (SIAM)
Note: training grant for organizing a 2-week summer school on inverse problems in Breckenridge, CO
June 16—30, 2018 **$109,200**

COMPUTATIONAL RESOURCES AWARDS

Research allocations

U. Villa, M. Pagel (**MPI**), *Safe, Accurate Assessment of Treatment Response via Dynamic Contrast Enhanced Multispectral Optoacoustic Tomography Imaging of Tumor Perfusion*, The Joint Center for Computational Oncology (JCCO), Oncological Data and Computational Sciences program, 12,500 SUs, 2023–2024

M. Anastasio (PI), **U. Villa (Co-PI)**, *Distributed GPU-accelerated image reconstruction methods for breast ultrasound computed tomography*, Illinois Delta research allocation, 16,000 GPU-hours, 2022

M. Anastasio (PI), **U. Villa (Co-PI)**, *A computational framework integrating wave physics simulation and machine learning for fast and accurate transcranial photoacoustic tomography reconstruction*, Illinois Blue Waters research allocation, 210,000 node-hours, 2021

M. Anastasio (PI); J. Poudel, **U. Villa (Co-PI)**, *Safe and rapid functional brain imaging with transcranial photoacoustic tomography: Accelerating iterative image reconstruction algorithms using GPUs*, Illinois Blue Waters research allocation, 210,000 node-hours (estimated value of awarded resources $130,263), 2020

Educational allocations

U. Villa (PI), Computing resources for the graduate level course *Computational and Variational Inverse Problems*, Explore ACCESS (educational) allocation MTH230002, 400,000 credits, 2023–

U. Villa (PI), Computing resources for the graduate level course *Tools and Techniques of Computational Science*, TACC Instructional allocation CSE-380-Tools-and-Te, 2022–

U. Villa (PI), Cloud computing resources for the graduate level course on *Computational Methods in Imaging Science*, XSEDE educational allocation TG-SEE190001, 100,000 CPU hours (estimated value of awarded resources $8,445), 2019–2020.

U. Villa (PI) and N. Petra (Co-PI), Cloud computing resources for the *2018 Gene Golub SIAM Summer School* entitled *Inverse Problems: Systematic Integration of Data with Models under Uncertainty*, XSEDE educational allocation TG-DMS180009, 60,000 CPU hours (estimated value of awarded resources $10,014), 2018.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Safe, Accurate Assessment of Treatment Response via Dynamic Contrast Enhanced Multispectral Optoacoustic Tomography Imaging of Tumor Perfusion
The broad objective of this collaborative project with Dr. Pagel (MD Anderson) is develop novel and advanced computational and mathematical models to accurately estimate tumor perfusion rates from DCE MSOT images. The proposed methods will be assessed using retrospective DCE MSOT imaging data from a large cohort of 120 mice undergoing radiotherapy (three tumor models, four doses tested).
Funding: The Joint Center for Computational Oncology (JCCO), Oncological Data and Computational Sciences program
Role: **PI** (MD Anderson PI: Marty Pagel) **2023 –**

Exascale Predictive Simulation of Inductively Coupled Plasma Torches
The primary objective of the center is to develop an advanced integrated predictive computational model for an inductively-coupled plasma (ICP) torch, which can make effective use of emerging exascale computing hardware. Funding: Department of Energy; Advanced Simulation and Computing Predictive Science Academic Alliance Program (PSAAP III)
Role: **Senior Software Architect** **2023 –**

A Computational Framework Enabling Virtual Imaging Trials of 3D Quantitative Optoacoustic Tomography Breast Imaging
This project addresses the challenges of reducing over-diagnosis and over-treatment of breast cancer by developing transformative computational methods to enable three-dimensional (3D) quantitative optoacoustic tomography (OAT) of the vasculature and oxygen saturation distribution within the human breast.
Funding: NIH, National Institute of Biomedical Imaging and Bioengineering (NIBIB), R01EB031585. M. Anastasio, A. Oraevsky (PI)
Role: **Co-Investigator/Subaward PI** **2022** –

Integrated photoacoustic and fluorescence imaging system for anatomical, functional, and molecular characterization of murine models
This project aims at developing learning-enhanced image reconstruction to enable quantitative dynamic PACT imaging from a reduced number of tomographic views.
Funding: NIH, Small Business Innovation Research Grants (SBIR) , R44OD023029. S. Ermilov (PI)
Role: **Co-Investigator/Subaward PI** **2022** –

Advanced image reconstruction for accurate and high-resolution breast ultrasound tomography
The broad objective of this project is to maximize the clinical utility of ultrasound computed tomography (USCT) for whole breast imaging by significantly advancing the state-of-the-art in USCT image reconstruction methods.
Funding: NIH, National Institute of Biomedical Imaging and Bioengineering (NIBIB), R01EB028652. M. Anastasio, N. Duric (PIs)
Role: **Co-Investigator/Subaward PI** **2018** –

Safe, rapid & functional pediatric brain imaging using photoacoustic computed tomography
The goal of this project is to develop and evaluate a safe, rapid, and functional three-dimensional (3D) pediatric neuroimaging modality based on photoacoustic computed tomography (PACT).
Funding: NIH, National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke (NINDS), R01NS102213. L. Wang, M. Anastasio (PIs)
Role: Collaborator **2018** –

Integrating Data with Complex Predictive Models under Uncertainty: An Extensible Software Framework for Large-Scale Bayesian Inversion
The goal of this study is to develop, disseminate, and support a robust, scalable, high-performance, open-source software framework incorporating a suite of advanced Bayesian inversion algorithms.
Funding: NSF, Office of Advanced Cyberinfrastructure, ACI-1550593. O. Ghattas (PI)
Role: **Co-PI** **2016 – 2020**

Large-scale Inverse Problems and Uncertainty Quantification for Reservoir Modeling
The focus of this joint ExxonMobil–UTEI project is to develop state-of-the-art inversion and uncertainty quantification methods to reservoir models with complex features including faults.
Funding: Joint ExxonMobil-UT Energy Institute Project, UTA17-000408 (EM10480.14). O. Ghattas (PI), G. Biros, T. Bui-Thanh, C. Dawson (Co-PIs)
Role: Research scientist **2017 – 2019**

Bayesian Optimal Experimental Design for Inverse Scattering
The goal of this study is to develop a rigorous Bayesian framework to design source/receiver configuration to maximize identifiability.
Funding: AFOSR, Computational Mathematics program, FA9550-17-1-0190. O. Ghattas (PI), G. Biros and Y. Marzouk (Co-PIs)
Role: Research scientist **2017 – 2018**

Inference, Simulation, and Optimization of Complex Systems Under Uncertainty: Theory, Algorithms, and Applications to Turbulent Combustion
This project developed an end-to-end, integrated uncertainty quantification framework enabling us to quantify, manage, and minimize uncertainty in large scale multiscale/multiphysics problems.
Funding: DARPA, EQUiPS program, W911NF-15-2-0121. O. Ghattas (PI), R. Moser, G. Biros, K. Willcox, M. Heinkenschloss, A. Stuart, M. Girolami, A. Philpott (Co-PIs)
Role: Research scientist **2016 – 2017**

Towards Optimal Order Resilient Solvers at Extreme Scale (TOORSES)
This project developed large scale linear solvers and preconditioners exploiting multilevel techniques and hierarchical matrices factorizations.
Funding: DOE Office of Advanced Scientific Computing Research. X.-S. Li (lead PI), P. Vassilevski (LLNL PI)

Role: Postdoctoral researcher **2013 – 2015**

Scalable Multilevel UQ Concepts for Extreme-Scale Multiscale Problems
The objective of this project is to develop multilevel techniques to accelerate forward and inverse uncertainty quantification (UQ) tasks involving complex multiphysics partial differential equations models.
Funding: DOE Office of Advanced Scientific Computing Research. Y. Efendiev (lead PI), P. Vassilevski (LLNL PI)
Role: Postdoctoral researcher **2013 – 2015**

Adaptive Dimension Reduction via Coarsening and Multilevel Solvers
This project investigates highly efficient mathematical tools to construct coarse spaces and respective coarse models that are operator-dependent and to expand the applicability of multigrid methods to very general partial differential equations, such as mixed formulations and saddle point systems.
Funding: DOE Office of Advanced Scientific Computing Research. P. Vassilevski (PI)
Role: Graduate research assistant **2011 – 2012**

Multiphysics Multimodel Domain Decomposition: an Application to Conjugate Heat Transfer
This project investigates a general optimization-based framework for multiphysics multimodel Domain Decomposition with applications to conjugate heat transfer and fluid structure interaction problems.
Funding: ORNL Laboratory Directed Research and Development (LDRD). J. Hill (PI)
Role: Graduate research assistant **2009 – 2010**

Scalable Efficient Methods for Incompressible Fluid-dynamics in Engineering Problems (PhD thesis)
Analysis and implementation of a new time-adaptive algorithm for the solution of the unsteady Navier-Stokes equations.
Development of parallel and scalable block preconditioners for saddle point problems.
Application of these new numerical methods to patient specific blood flow simulations with the aim to numerically investigate pathological or clinical flow conditions (e.g. formation of aneurysms in the carotid artery, design of left ventricle assisting devices).
Advisor: Dr. Alessandro Veneziani **2008 – 2012**

Teaching Experience

University of Texas, Austin, TX

Instructor of Area B courses for the Ph.D. program in Computational Science, Engineering, and Mathematics

- Tools & Techniques of Computational Science **Fall 2024**
- Tools & Techniques of Computational Science **Fall 2023**
- Tools & Techniques of Computational Science **Fall 2022**

Instructor of summer schools/short courses

- Gene Golub SIAM Summer School on Inverse Problems **June 17-30, 2018**
  Taught jointly with O. Ghattas, Y. Marzouk, M. Parno, N. Petra, G. Stadler

Lab-instructor for graduate courses

- Computational & Variational Inverse Problems (Dr. Ghattas) **Spring 2024**
- Computational & Variational Inverse Problems (Dr. Ghattas) **Spring 2023**
- Computational & Variational Inverse Problems (Dr. Ghattas) **Fall 2017**

Guest lecturer for graduate level courses

- Finite Element Method in Geophysics (Dr. Ghattas): 3 lectures **Fall 2016**
- Computational & Variational Inverse Problems (Dr. Ghattas): 4 lectures **Fall 2015**
- Comput. & Variational Inverse Problems (Dr. Petra, UC Merced): 1 lecture **Fall 2015**

Washington University, St. Louis, Mo

Instructor of core curriculum courses for the Ph.D. program in Imaging Science

- Computational Methods in Imaging Science **Spring 2020**
- Computational Methods in Imaging Science* **Spring 2019**

* I developed this course.

Guest lecturer for undergraduate level courses

- Optimization (Dr. Kamilov): 2 lectures **Spring 2020**
- Optimization (Dr. Kamilov): 1 lecture **Spring 2019**

Emory University, Atlanta, GA

Instructor for undergraduate courses in Calculus I and II

Calculus II (Teaching mentor: Dr. Gould)	**Spring 2012**
Calculus I (Teaching mentor: Dr. Garibaldi)	**Fall 2011**
Calculus II (Teaching mentor: Dr. Batterson)	**Spring 2011**

Teaching Assistant for undergraduate courses in Life Science Calculus and Linear Algebra

Linear Algebra (Lab instructor for Dr. Venapally)	**Fall 2012**
Life Science Calculus I (Lab instructor for Dr. Duffus)	**Fall 2010**
Life Science Calculus II (Lab instructor for Dr. Duffus)	**Spring 2010**
Life Science Calculus I (Lab instructor for Dr. Duffus)	**Fall 2009**
Life Science Calculus II (Grader for Dr. Duffus)	**Spring 2009**
Life Science Calculus I (Grader for Dr. Duffus)	**Fall 2008**
Life Science Calculus II (Grader for Dr. Duffus)	**Spring 2008**

Mentoring Experience

Ph.D. students (main advisor):

Evan Scope Craft (CSEM, UT Austin, 2023 –): Optimal experimental design of photoacoustic tomography imaging systems

Luke Lozenski (Electrical & Systems Engineering, WUSTL, 2020 –): Integration of model-based and learned image reconstruction algorithms for quantitative dynamic multispectral photoacoustic imaging of small animal models

Ph.D. students (co-advisor):

Fu Li (advised by Dr. Anastasio, Bioengineering, UIUC, 2018 –): Advanced image reconstruction algorithm for 3D accurate and high-resolution breast ultrasound tomography

Kevin Huang (advised by Dr. Anastasio, Bioengineering, UIUC, 2022 –): Advancing photoacoustic tomography neuroimaging through model-based image reconstruction and learning

Refik Cam (advised by Dr. Anastasio, Electrical & Computer Engineering, 2020 –): Small animal photoacoustic imaging

Ph.D. students (mentor/research supervisor):

Ziheng Zhang (advised by Dr. Ghattas, Computational Science, Engineering, and Mathematics, UT Austin, 2022 –): Fast approximation of Hessians arising from inverse problems governed by partial differential equations

Tao Ge (**rotation supervisor**, Electrical & Systems Engineering, WUSTL, Spring 2019): *Proximal Newton Methods for Inverse Problems with Non-Smooth Regularization Term*

C. S. Lee (**Summer Internship co-supervisor** with Dr. Vassilevski, LLNL, 2014): spectral upscaling method for mixed formulation of Darcy equation

M. Christensen (**Summer Internship co-supervisor** with Dr. Vassilevski, LLNL, 2013 & 2014): mixed finite element methods and numerical upscaling with application to subsurface flow and petroleum engineering

S. Ladenheim (**Summer Internship co-supervisor** with Dr. Vassilevski, LLNL, 2013): generation of Gaussian random field by solving stochastic PDEs

D. Emerson (**Summer Internship co-supervisor** with Dr. Vassilevski, LLNL, 2013): nonlinear multilevel methods

Ph.D. students (informal mentoring):

Graham Pash (advised by Dr. Willcox, Oden Institute, 2023 –)

Gangwon Jeong, Panpan Chen, Kaiyi Yang (advised by Dr. Anastasio, UIUC, 2022 –)

Simone Puel (advised by Dr. Beker, Jackson School of Geosciences, 2023): *A mixed forward/inverse modeling framework for earthquake deformation problems*

Tom O'Leary-Roseberry (advised by Dr. Ghattas, Oden Institute, UT Austin, 2020): *Efficient and dimension independent methods for neural network surrogate construction and training*

Amal Alghamdi (advised by Dr. Ghattas, Oden Institute, UT Austin, 2020): *Bayesian inverse problems for quasi-static poroelasticity with application to ground water aquifer characterization from geodetic data*

M.S. students:

Jenil Shah (graduate research assistant, Oden Institute, 2024): Dynamic contrast-enhanced multispectral computed tomograhy

Venugopal Ranganathan (**MS thesis co-supervisor** with Dr. Ghattas, Oden Institute, UT Austin, 2024): *hIPPYlibx: Solving inverse problems in hIPPYlib and FEniCSx*

Karan Prakash Hiranandani (**MS report co-supervisor** with Dr. Ghattas, Oden Institute, UT Austin, 2023): *hIPPYfire: Solving inverse problems in hIPPYlib and Firedrake*

Joseph Kuo (advised by Dr. Anastasio, Electrical & Computer Engineering, 2022): *Advancing Photoacoustic Neuroimaging Through Deep Learning*

Ricardo Qiu (**advisor**, Computer Science Engineering, WUSTL, 2021): *Data-driven approaches to solve inverse problems*

Argho Dattas (*Research fellowship mentor*, Electrical & Systems Engineering, WUSTL, Spring 2020): *Learning adversarial regularizers for the solution of inverse problems*

Jieqiong Xiao (*Research fellowship mentor*, Computer Science Engineering, WUSTL, Spring 2020): *ADLA: Automatic differentiation and local assembly of exotic finite element variational forms in MFEM*

Di Liu (advised by Dr. Ghattas, Oden Institute, UT Austin, 2017): *hIPPYLearn: An inexact Stochastic Newton-CG method for training neural networks*

Ge Gao (advised by Dr. Ghattas, Oden Institute, UT Austin, 2017): *hIPPYLearn: An inexact Newton-CG method for training neural networks with analysis of the Hessian*

Undergraduate students' mentored research:

Thomas Wynn (**Undergraduate research assistant**, UT Austin, 2023–2024): *Photoacoustic computed tomography imaging models*

Luke Lozenski (**Independent Study Supervisor**, Electrical & Systems Engineering, WUSTL, Summer 2019): *Learning forward modeling error in Photoacoustic tomography reconstruction*

Argho Datta (**Independent Study Supervisor**, Biomedical Engineering, WUSTL, Spring 2019): *Proximal Newton Methods for Medical Imaging*

Bassel Saleh (advised by Dr. Ghattas, Turing Scholars Honors thesis, UT Austin, 2018): *Scientific Machine Learning: A Neural Network-Based Estimator for Forward Uncertainty Quantification*

Bassel Saleh (**co-supervised** with Dr. Ghattas, Moncrief Undergraduate Summer Internship, UT Austin, 2016): *Neural Networks as Surrogate Models for Forward and Inverse Problems*

Publications

Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles

Publications with a leading role: First author, last author, or equal contributions by all authors[1]

Refik M Cam, Chao Wang, Weylan Thompson, Sergey A Ermilov, Mark A Anastasio, and Umberto Villa. "Spatiotemporal Image Reconstruction to Enable High-Frame Rate Dynamic Photoacoustic Tomography with Rotating-Gantry Volumetric Imagers". *Journal of Biomedical Optics*, 29(S1):S11516, 2024.

Luke Lozenski, Refik Mert Cam, Mark D. Pagel, Mark A. Anastasio, and Umberto Villa. "ProxNF: Neural Field Proximal Training for High-Resolution 4D Dynamic Image Reconstruction". *Transactions on Computational Imaging*, in press, 2024.

Luke Lozenski, Hanchen Wang, Fu Li, Mark Anastasio, Brendt Wohlberg, Youzuo Lin, and Umberto Villa. "Learned Full Waveform Inversion Incorporating Task Information for Ultrasound Computed Tomography". *IEEE Transactions on Computational Imaging*, 10:69–82, 2024.

Delyan Z Kalchev, Panayot S Vassilevski, and Umberto Villa. "Parallel Element-based Algebraic Multigrid for H(curl) and H(div) Problems Using the ParELAG Library". *SIAM Journal on Scientific Computing*, 45(3):S371–S400, 2023.

Ki-Tae Kim, Umberto Villa, Matthew Parno, Youssef Marzouk, Omar Ghattas, and Noemi Petra. "hIPPYlib-MUQ: A Bayesian Inference Software Framework for Integration of Data with Complex Predictive Models under Uncertainty". *ACM Trans. Math. Softw.*, 49(2), 2023.

[1] Order of authors does not always reflect level of contributions. Depending on the field, in some publications, authors are ordered alphabetically or by level of seniority (students firsts, postdoc and research scientists next, professors at last).

Fu Li, Umberto Villa, Seonyeong Park, and Mark A Anastasio. "Three-dimensional stochastic numerical breast phantoms for enabling virtual imaging trials of ultrasound computed tomography". *IEEE Transactions on Ultrasonics, Ferroelectrics, and Frequency Control*, 69(1):135–146, 2022.

Luke Lozenski, Mark A. Anastasio, and Umberto Villa. "A Memory-Efficient Self-Supervised Dynamic Image Reconstruction Method Using Neural Fields". *IEEE Transactions on Computational Imaging*, 8:879–892, 2022.

O. Babaniyi, R. Nicholson, U. Villa, and N. Petra. "Inferring the basal sliding coefficient field for the Stokes ice sheet model under rheological uncertainty". *The Cryosphere*, 15(4):1731–1750, 2021.

H. R. Fairbanks, U. Villa, and P. S. Vassilevski. "Multilevel Hierarchical Decomposition of Finite Element White Noise with Application to Multilevel Markov Chain Monte Carlo". *SIAM Journal on Scientific Computing*, 43(5):S293–S316, 2021.

U. Villa, N. Petra, and O. Ghattas. "hIPPYlib: An Extensible Software Framework for Large-Scale Inverse Problems Governed by PDEs; Part I: Deterministic Inversion and Linearized Bayesian Inference". *ACM Trans. Math. Softw.*, 47(2), April 2021.

M. Christensen, P. S. Vassilevski, and U. Villa. "Nonlinear Multigrid solvers exploiting AMGe coarse spaces with approximation properties". *Journal of Computational and Applied Mathematics*, 340:691 – 708, 2018.

U. Villa, N. Petra, and O. Ghattas. "hIPPYlib: an Extensible Software Framework for Large-scale Deterministic and Bayesian Inverse Problems". *Journal of Open Source Software*, 3(30):940, 2018.

M. Christensen, U. Villa, A. Engsig-Karup, and P. S. Vassilevski. "Numerical upscaling for incompressible flow in reservoir simulation: an element-based algebraic multigrid (AMGe) approach". *SIAM Journal on Scientific Computing*, 39(1):B102–B137, 2017.

S. Osborn, P. S. Vassilevski, and U. Villa. "A Multilevel Hierarchical Sampling Technique for Spatially Correlated Random Fields". *SIAM Journal on Scientific Computing*, 39(5):S543–S562, 2017.

P. S. Vassilevski and U. Villa. "A mixed formulation for the Brinkman problem". *SIAM Journal on Numerical Analysis*, 52(1):258–281, 2014.

P. S. Vassilevski and U. Villa. "A block-diagonal algebraic multigrid preconditioner for the Brinkman problem". *SIAM Journal on Scientific Computing*, 35(5):S3–S17, 2013.

A. Veneziani and U. Villa. "ALADINS: An ALgebraic splitting time ADaptive solver for the Incompressible Navier–Stokes equations". *Journal of Computational Physics*, 238:359–375, 2013.

Publications with significant contributions in *all* the research aspects (refinement of the original idea, study design, implementation, writing)
Refik M Cam, Umberto Villa, and Mark A Anastasio. "Learning a Stable Approximation of an Existing but Unknown Inverse Mapping: Application to the Half-Time Circular Radon Transform". *Inverse Problems*, 2024.

Gangwon Jeong, Trevor Li, Fu Mitcham, Nebojsa Duric, Umberto Villa, and Mark Anastasio. "Investigating the Use of Traveltime and Reflection Tomography for Deep Learning-Based Sound-Speed Estimation in Ultrasound Computed Tomography". *IEEE Trans on Ultrasonic, Ferroelectrics, and Frequency Control*, in press, 2024.

Fu Li, Umberto Villa, Nebojsa Duric, and Mark A. Anastasio. "A forward model incorporating elevation-focused transducer properties for 3D full-waveform inversion in ultrasound computed tomography". *IEEE Transactions on Ultrasonics, Ferroelectrics, and Frequency Control*, 70(10):1339–1354, 2023.

Baoshan Liang, Jingye Tan, Luke Lozenski, David A Hormuth II, Thomas E Yankeelov, Umberto Villa, and Danial Faghihi. "Bayesian Inference of Tissue Heterogeneity for Individualized Prediction of Glioma Growth". *IEEE Transactions on Medical Imaging*, 42(10):2865–2875, 2023.

Ruanui Nicholson, Noemi Petra, Umberto Villa, and Jari P. Kaipio. "On global normal linear approximations for nonlinear Bayesian inverse problems". *Inverse Problems*, 39:4001, 2023.

Thomas O'Leary-Roseberry, Peng Chen, Umberto Villa, and Omar Ghattas. "Derivative Informed Neural Operator: An Efficient Framework for High-Dimensional Parametric Derivative Learning". *Journal of Computational Physics*, page 112555, 2023.

Seonyeong Park, Umberto Villa, Refik Mert Cam, Alexander Oraevsky, and Mark Anastasio. "Stochastic three-dimensional numerical phantoms to enable computational studies in quantitative optoacoustic tomography of breast cancer". *Journal of Biomedical Optics*, 28(6):066002, 2023.

Simone Puel, Thorsten W Becker, Umberto Villa, Omar Ghattas, and Dunyu Liu. "An adjoint-based optimization method for jointly inverting heterogeneous material properties and fault slip from earthquake surface deformation data". *Geophysical Journal International*, 236:778–797, 2023.

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CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

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Stochastic numerical phantoms to enable optoacoustic tomography virtual imaging studies, Virtual Imaging Trials in Medicine - International Summit, April 22-24, 2024, Duke University, Durham, NC

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Towards Scalable Solvers for the Brinkman Problem, Stanford University, Palo Alto, CA, March 4^{th}, 2014. Host *H. Techelepi*

Numerical Upscaling and Algebraic Multigrid for Mixed Finite Element discretizations, Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory, Berkeley, CA, February 11^{th}, 2014. Host *X. S. Li*

Numerical Upscaling and Algebraic Multigrid for Mixed Finite Element discretizations, Tuft University, Boston, MA, December 6^{th}, 2013. Host *J. Adler*

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Algebraic Multigrid Summit, October 15-18, 2014, Boulder, Colorado, US

Algebraic Multigrid Summit, September 3-8, 2013, Lake City, Colorado, US

Finite Element Exterior Calculus Summer School, June 11-15, 2012, Institute for Computational and Experimental Research in Mathematics (ICERM), Brown University, Providence, Rhode Island, US (with travel support from organizers)

Open source scientific software contributions

- Lead developer of hIPPYlib - **I**nverse **P**roblems **Py**thon **lib**rary (`https://hippylib.github.io`)
- Lead developer of Elag, ParElag (element agglomeration multigrid solvers and upscaling tools, `http://github.com/LLNL/parelag`)
- Lead developer of ElagMC, ParElagMC (Multilevel Monte Carlo software based on Elag/ParElag, `https://github.com/LLNL/parelagmc`)
- Contributor to the finite element library MFEM (`http://mfem.org`)
- Developer of the finite element library LifeV (`www.lifev.org`)

Open source Datasets

Umberto Villa, Luke Lozenski, Seonyeong Park, and Refik Mert Cam. "2D tumor perfusion numerical phantom for dynamic contrast enhanced photoacoustic tomography virtual imaging studies". Harvard Dataverse, 10.7910/DVN/P7ZVJO, 2024.

Fu Li and Umberto Villa. "3D Numerical Breast Phantoms and Ring-Array USCT measurements (3 rings)". Harvard Dataverse, 10.7910/DVN/8JVLAE, 2023.

Seonyeong Park, Umberto Villa, Fu Li, Refik Cam, Alexander Oraevsky, and Mark Anastasio. "3D optoacoustic numerical breast phantoms and simulated OAT measurement data (hemispherical shape, 4 lesions)". Harvard Dataverse, 10.7910/DVN/AQZE3H, 2023.

Seonyeong Park, Umberto Villa, Fu Li, Refik Cam, Alexander Oraevsky, and Mark Anastasio. "3D optoacoustic numerical breast phantoms and simulated OAT measurement data (natural shape, 2 lesions)". Harvard Dataverse, 10.7910/DVN/OZRVX6, 2023.

Seonyeong Park, Umberto Villa, Fu Li, Refik Cam, Alexander Oraevsky, and Mark Anastasio. "3D optoacoustic numerical breast phantoms and simulated OAT measurement data (natural shape, 4 lesions)". Harvard Dataverse, 10.7910/DVN/1ZF0OW, 2023.

Luke Lozenski, Mark Anastasio, and Umberto Villa. "2D numerical mouse phantom for dynamic photoacoustic tomography virtual imaging studies of small animal models". Harvard Dataverse, 10.7910/DVN/3DXS18, 2022.

Seonyeong Park, Frank Brooks, Umberto Villa, Richard Su, Mark Anastasio, and Alexander Oraevsky. "3D numerical breast phantom: Normalization of optical fluence distribution for 3D functional OAT". Harvard Dataverse, 10.7910/DVN/1FW2I6, 2022.

Fu Li, Umberto Villa, Seonyeong Park, and Mark Anastasio. "2D Acoustic Numerical Breast Phantoms and USCT Measurement Data". Harvard Dataverse, 10.7910/DVN/CUFVKE, 2021.

Fu Li, Umberto Villa, Seonyeong Park, and Mark Anastasio. "3D Acoustic Numerical Breast Phantoms". Harvard Dataverse, 10.7910/DVN/KBYQQ7, 2021.

Service to scientific community

Editorial work and peer review

Associate editor for IEEE Open Journal of Signal Processing since 2023.
Editorial board member of *Numerical Linear Algebra with Applications* since 2018.
Reviewer for the following journals: *SIAM Journal for Uncertainty Quantification*, *SIAM Journal on Scientific Computing* , *SIAM Journal on Imaging Sciences* (SIAM); *Transactions on Medical Imaging*, *Transactions on Computational Imaging*, *IEEE Photonics Journal* (IEEE); *Journal of Biomedical Optics* (SPIE); *Numerical Linear Algebra with Applications*, *International Journal for Numerical Methods in Engineering* (Wiley); *Computational Geosciences*, *Journal of Scientific Computing*, *Numerical Algorithms*, *Advances in Computational Mathematics*, *Numerische Mathematik* (Springer); *Photoacoustics*, *Journal of Mathematical Analysis and Applications*, *SoftwareX* (Elsevier); *Optics Letters* (Optica); *Ultrasonic Imaging* (SAGE); *Journal of Numerical Mathematics* (De Gruyter); *The Journal of Machine Learning for Biomedical Imaging*; *Communications Engineering*, *Scientific Reports* (Nature)

Grant reviews

Served in 1 NSF grant review panel (Office of Advanced Cyberinfrastructure)
Served as reviewer for the Swiss National Science Foundation (1 proposal)

Education and training

Organize and teach the *2018 Gene Golub SIAM Summer School* on *Inverse Problems: Systematic Integration of Data with Models under Uncertainty*, in collaboration with O. Ghattas, Y. Marzouk, M. Parno, N. Petra, and G. Stadler

Minisymposia/conference-session organization

S. Henneking, N. Petra, U. Villa, , O. Ghattas, *Computational tools for large-scale inverse problems and UQ*, SIAM Conference on Uncertainty Quantification, Feb 27 – Mar 1, 2024, Trieste, Italy
D. Faghihi, K. Maupin, A. Tabarraei, U. Villa, *Data-Enabled Predictive Modeling, Machine Learning, and Uncertainty Quantification in Computational Mechanics*, ASME's International Mechanical Engineering Congress & Exposition, Nov 1-4, 2021, *virtual*
D. Faghihi, K. Maupin, A. Tabarraei, U. Villa, *Data-Enabled Predictive Modeling, Machine Learning, and Uncertainty Quantification in Computational Mechanics*, ASME's International Mechanical Engineering Congress & Exposition, Nov 15-19, 2020, *virtual*
U. Villa, O. Ghattas, *Optimal Experimental Design for Bayesian Inverse Problems*, SIAM Conference on Computational Science and Engineering, Feb 25-March 1, 2019, Spokane, WA, US
U. Villa, T. Oliver, N. Petra, O. Ghattas, R. Moser, *Characterizing model inadequacy in Bayesian inference*, SIAM Conference on Uncertainty Quantification, April 16-19, 2018, Garden Grove, CA, US
T. Bui-Thanh, O. Ghattas, V. Rao, U. Villa, *Efficient Algorithms for Bayesian Inverse Problems Governed by PDE Forward Problems*, SIAM Conference on Computational Science and Engineering, Feb 27-March 3, 2017, Atlanta, GA, US

Departmental & Institutional service

UT Austin, Austin, TX
- Ph.D. thesis committee member: Siva Saket Sripada (BME, *current*), Graham Pash (CSEM, *current*)[2]
- Supervise undergraduate and master research
- Participate in recruit events & activities
- Meet & interview candidates for postdoctoral positions

Washington University, St. Louis, MO[3]
- Member of the Ph.D. in Imaging Science curriculum committee (2020-2021)
- Ph.D. dissertation committee member: Tingting Wu (IS, 2023), Austen Curcuru (BME, 2023), Shuying Li (BME, 2023), Uri Goldsztejn (BME, 2022), Eghbal Amidi(BME, 2021), Jingwei Lu (ESE, 2019)
- M.S. thesis committee member: Shangguan Wentao (ESE, 2021), Weiran Wang (ESE, 2019), Shiqi Xu (ESE, 2019)
- Ph.D. qualifying exam committee member: Senyue Hao (ESE, 2022), Tingting Wu (IS, 2020), Zhi Wang (IS, 2020), Soumyendu Ghosh (ESE, 2019), Jiaming Liu (ESE, 2019)

[2] BME=Biomedical Engineering, CSEM=Computational Sciences, Engineering, & Mathematics
[3] BME=Biomedical Engineering, IS=Imaging Science Ph.D. ESE=Electrical & Systems Engineering

- Supervised undergraduate and master research
- Recruit activities for prospective undergraduate and master students

Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory, Livermore, CA
- Met and interviewed candidates applying for postdoctoral and staff positions

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

SIAM member since 2009.
IEEE member since 2019.