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EDUCATION     **University of Chicago**, Chicago, IL.     Sep 2017–Jun 2022 (expected)

- Ph.D. in Computational and Applied Mathematics. GPA: 3.90/4.0
  - Advisor: Daniel Sanz-Alonso.
  - Research interests: Bayesian inverse problems, Gaussian processes, graph-based machine learning, nonparametric statistics.
  - Thesis: Graph Matérn Fields with Applications in Inverse Problems and Machine Learning.

University of California, Los Angeles, Los Angeles, CA. Sep 2013–Jun 2017

- B.S. in Mathematics. GPA: 3.89/4.0
  - College Honors Program.
  - Departmental Highest Honor.
  - Magna Cum Laude.

PUBLICATIONS (Authors are ordered alphabetically in all papers.)  
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 PREPRINTS 1. D. Sanz-Alonso, and R. Yang. Finite Element Ro

1. D. Sanz-Alonso, and R. Yang. Finite Element Representations of Gaussian Fields: Balancing Numerical and Statistical Accuracy. *Submitted*, 2021. Preprint available at <https://arxiv.org/abs/2109.02777>.
2. B. Aragam and R. Yang. Uniform Consistency in Nonparametric Mixture Models. *Submitted*, 2021. Preprint available at <https://arxiv.org/abs/2108.14003>.
3. D. Sanz-Alonso and R. Yang. Unlabeled Data Help in Graph-Based Semi-Supervised Learning: A Bayesian Nonparametrics Perspective. *Submitted*, 2021. Preprint available at <https://arxiv.org/abs/2008.11809>.
4. D. Sanz-Alonso and R. Yang. The SPDE Approach to Matérn Fields: Graph Representations. *To appear in Statistical Science*, 2021+. Preprint available at <https://arxiv.org/abs/2004.08000>.
5. J. Harlim, D. Sanz-Alonso, and R. Yang. Kernel Methods for Bayesian Elliptic Inverse Problems on Manifolds. *SIAM/ASA Journal on Uncertainty Quantification* 8(4), 1414-1445, 2020.
6. N. García Trillos, D. Sanz-Alonso, and R. Yang. Local Regularization of Noisy Point Clouds: Improved Global Geometric Estimates and Data Analysis. *Journal of Machine Learning Research*. 20(136):1–37. 2019.

AWARDS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Harper Dissertation Fellowship, University of Chicago. 2021 <i>In recognition of record or achievement and professional promise, one of University of Chicago's highest honors.</i></li></ul>
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- Travel Award, SIAM Conference on Computational Science and Engineering. 2021
- Travel Award, SIAM Conference on Mathematics of Data Science. 2020
- Travel Award, GTDAML Graduate Student Conference. 2019

TALKS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Matérn Gaussian Fields on Graphs: Theory and Applications. Aug 2021 Joint Statistical Meetings.</li> <li>• Topic-contributed Session: “Algorithms for Threat Detection” (Virtual).</li> </ul>
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- Graph-Based Methods for Bayesian Elliptic Inverse Problems on Manifold. Mar 2021  
SIAM Conference on Computational Science and Engineering.  
Minisymposium: “Data-Driven Scientific Computing” (Virtual).
- Graph-Based Approximation of Matérn Gaussian Fields. Feb 2021  
University of Wisconsin-Madison Statistics Seminar (Virtual).

- Graph-Based Methods for Inverse Problems on Manifolds and Point Clouds. Jun 2020  
SIAM Conference on Mathematics of Data Science.  
Minisymposium: “Bridging Data Assimilation with Data-driven analysis” (Virtual).
- Graph-Based Learning. Oct 2019  
CCAM RTG Student Seminar, University of Chicago.
- Local Regularization of Noisy Point Clouds. Jun 2019  
GTDAML Graduate Student Conference, The Ohio State University.
- Option Pricing. Oct 2018  
CCAM RTG Student Seminar, University of Chicago.
- Particle-Laden Flows on an Incline. Feb 2018  
CCAM RTG Student Seminar, University of Chicago.

#### TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- University of Chicago Teaching Assistant
  - CAAM 31210: Applied Functional Analysis. Fall 2018, Fall 2019, Winter 2021
  - STAT 24300: Numerical Linear Algebra. Fall 2020
  - CAAM 31511: Monte Carlo Simulation. Spring 2020
  - STAT 31700: Introduction to Probability Models. Winter 2020
  - CAAM 31450: Applied Partial Differential Equations. Spring 2019
  - CAAM 31220: Partial Differential Equations. Winter 2019

#### SKILLS

Matlab, Python, R.