



SUMMARY

Principal investigator of the **S**ystems **E**ngineering via **C**lassical and **Q**uantum **O**ptimization for **I**ndustrial **A**pplications (**SECQUOIA**) research group and Assistant Professor at the Davidson School of Chemical Engineering at Purdue University.

RESEARCH INTERESTS

- Special interest in optimization applications in Chemical Engineering and Process Systems Engineering such as Process Intensification and Energy Systems Optimal Process Synthesis, Design, Operation, and Control.
- Quantum Algorithms for Combinatorial Optimization, with emphasis on Chemical Engineering applications.
- Development and evaluation of novel hardware algorithms for optimization and chemistry.
- Theory and applications of Decision-making Optimization, Machine Learning, and Artificial Intelligence.
- Discrete-Continuous Nonlinear Optimization Solution Algorithms, Theory, and Software.

EDUCATION

Carnegie Mellon University

Ph.D. in Chemical Engineering, Advisor: Prof. Ignacio E. Grossmann, GPA: 3.92/4.00

Pittsburgh, PA, USA

01/2017–05/2021

Universidad de los Andes

B.S. in Physics, GPA: 4.62/5.00

Bogotá, Colombia

01/2011–03/2018

M.S. in Chemical Engineering, GPA: 4.73/5.00

08/2014–10/2016

B.S. in Chemical Engineering with Honors - Cum Laude, GPA: 4.62/5.00

08/2010–10/2014

EXPERIENCE

Purdue University – Davidson School of Chemical Engineering

Assistant Professor

West Lafayette, IN, USA

08/2023–Current

- Principal investigator of the **S**ystems **E**ngineering via **C**lassical and **Q**uantum **O**ptimization for **I**ndustrial **A**pplications (**SECQUOIA**) research group

NASA - Universities Space Research Association (USRA)

Mountain View, CA, USA

Visiting Scientist at USRA Research Institute of Advanced Computer Science (RIACS)

08/2023–08/2024

Visiting Scientist at NASA Quantum and Artificial Intelligence Laboratory (QuAIL)

08/2023–06/2024

Research Scientist at NASA QuAIL

06/2021–07/2023

Associate Scientist at USRA RIACS

06/2021–07/2023

- Study and design of optimization algorithms that exploit quantum computing for science and engineering

Ph.D. Intern as part of Feynman Quantum Academy NASA QuAIL and USRA RIACS

05/2019–08/2019

- Development and Implementation of Computational Algebraic Geometry and Integer Programming based compiler for Quantum Annealing problem embedding

Carnegie Mellon University – Tepper School of Business Adjunct Professor of Operations Management and Quantum Computing	Pittsburgh, PA, USA 08/2023-12/2023
– Lecturer of the Quantum Integer Programming and Machine Learning course offered by Electrical and Computers Engineering and the Tepper School of Business	
Carnegie Mellon University – Department of Chemical Engineering Visiting Research Scholar	Pittsburgh, PA, USA 06/2021-08/2022
– Management of Grossmann Research Group meetings	
– Maintenance of Mixed-Integer Nonlinear and Generalized Disjunctive Programming Library minlp.org	
Ph.D. Student	01/2017-05/2021
– Algorithm development and study for optimization problems with application in chemical, process, and energy systems engineering	
– Algorithm development for Mixed-Integer Nonlinear Programming and Generalized Disjunctive Programming	
– Study of short-term quantum computing techniques for combinatorial optimization	
Visiting Research Scholar	05/2015-08/2015
– Implementation of Mixed-Integer Nonlinear Programming (MINLP) heuristic algorithms in solver DICOPT	
ExxonMobil Engineering and Research Company Ph.D. Intern at Corporate Strategic Research Division	Clinton, NJ, USA 05/2020-08/2020
– Evaluation of quantum computing for solving optimization problems relevant to logistics in oil & gas	
Ph.D. Intern at the Process Technology Department	05/2018-08/2018
– Development, implementation, and deployment of a combined heat and power plant with carbon capture technologies optimal operation model	
Universidad de los Andes – Department of Chemical Engineering Graduate Teaching and Research Assistant	Bogotá, Colombia 08/2014-07/2016
– Researcher in the Process and Products Design Group and the Processes Optimization Group	
Bayer Technology Services Undergraduate Intern	Leverkusen, Germany 02/2013-07/2013
– Modeling and automatic implementation of dynamic flooding in distillation columns, and thermodynamic and electrolytic effects in HCl water absorption for acid absorption columns simulation	

AWARDS AND HONORS

•Invited Participant Connections to Sustain Science in Latin-America <i>National Academies of Science, Engineering, and Medicine</i>	2025
•Invited Speaker Arab-American Frontiers <i>National Academies of Science, Engineering, and Medicine</i>	2024
•Best talk at the Quantum Computing Applications in Chemical and Biochemical Engineering Workshop <i>American Institute of Chemical Engineers and Technical University of Denmark</i>	2022
•Finalist for AIChE CAST Directors' Student Presentation Awards <i>Computing & Systems Technology Division (CAST) - American Institute of Chemical Engineers</i>	2020
•Mark Dennis Karl Outstanding Teaching Assistant Award <i>Chemical Engineering Department - Carnegie Mellon University</i>	2019
•Cum Laude in Chemical Engineering <i>Universidad de los Andes</i>	2014
•Alberto Magno Scholarship <i>Universidad de los Andes</i>	2010-2014
•Valedictorian	2009

TEACHING

Purdue University	West Lafayette, IN, USA
Course Instructor at the Davidson School of Chemical Engineering	Fall 2023
– CHE 456 Process Dynamics and Control undergraduate course	
Course Instructor at the Davidson School of Chemical Engineering	Fall 2024
– CHE 456 Process Dynamics and Control undergraduate course	
Course Instructor at the Davidson School of Chemical Engineering	Spring 2025
– CHE 597 Data Science in Chemical Engineering graduate course	
Carnegie Mellon University	Pittsburgh, PA, USA
Lecturer in the Tepper School of Business and Electrical and Computers Engineering	Fall 2023
– 47-779 / 47-785 Quantum Integer Programming and Quantum Machine Learning graduate course	
Invited Lecturer in the Tepper School of Business and Electrical and Computers Engineering	Fall 2022
– 47-779 / 47-785 Quantum Integer Programming and Quantum Machine Learning graduate course	
Course Instructor in the Tepper School of Business and Electrical and Computers Engineering	Fall 2021
– 47-779 / 47-785 Quantum Integer Programming and Quantum Machine Learning graduate course	
Course Instructor in the Tepper School of Business	Fall 2020
– 47-779 Quantum Integer Programming graduate course	
Graduate Teaching Assistant in the Chemical Engineering Department	
– 06-421 Chemical Process Systems Design undergraduate course.	Fall 2017, Fall 2018
• <i>Mark Dennis Karl Outstanding Teaching Assistant Award</i>	
– 06-720 Advanced Process Systems Engineering graduate course	Spring 2018
– 06-805 Special Topics in Chemical Engineering – Disjunctive Programming graduate course	Spring 2018
Universidad de los Andes	Bogotá, Colombia
Graduate Recitation Leader in the Chemical Engineering Department	2014–2016
– IQUI3040 Chemical Process Optimization	2015–2016
– IQUI2021 Phase and Chemical Equilibrium	2014
Undergraduate Teaching Assistant and Grader	2010–2014
– IQUI3001 Separation Processes and IQUI3040 Chemical Process Optimization in the Chemical Engineering Department	
– FISI1518 Physics 1, FISI1528 Physics 2, and FISI2540 Thermodynamics in the Physics Department	
– MATE1203 Differential Calculus and MATE2301 Differential Equations in the Mathematics Department	
Teaching-related Training	
– Future Faculty Program - CMU Eberly Center for Teaching Excellence and Educational Innovation	2019–2022
– Teaching Effectiveness Colloquium - Institute for Operations Research and Management Science	2020

MENTORING

Purdue University

West Lafayette, IN, USA

Davidson School of Chemical Engineering

2023-Current

- Sergey Gusev - Ph.D. Candidate 2024-Current
- Andrés Cabeza - Ph.D. Candidate 2024-Current
- Pedro Maciel Xavier - Ph.D. Candidate 2024-Current
- Yirang Park - Ph.D. Candidate 2023-Current
- Anurag Ramesh - Ph.D. Candidate 2023-Current
- Albert Lee - Ph.D. Candidate 2022-Current
- Hamta Bardool - Postdoctoral Associate 2024-Current
- Carolina Tristán - Postdoctoral Associate 2024-Current
- Amandeep Singh Bhatia - Postdoctoral Associate 2023-2024
- Zedong Peng - Postdoctoral Associate 2023-2024
- Mateo Huertas Marulanda - Visiting Research Scholar Spring 2025
- Iago Leal de Freitas - Visiting Research Scholar Fall 2024
- André Lima Alambert - Visiting Research Scholar Fall 2024
- Juan Sebastián Rodríguez - Visiting Research Scholar Spring 2024
- Andrés Cabeza - Visiting Research Scholar Fall 2023, Spring 2024
- Pedro Maciel Xavier - Visiting Research Scholar Fall 2023
- Akshay Mahajan - Undergraduate Researcher Spring 2025
- Sai Karthik - Undergraduate Researcher Spring 2025
- Abigail Delaney - Undergraduate Researcher Fall 2024
- Lukas Peng - Undergraduate Researcher Fall 2024
- Dale Stager - Undergraduate Researcher Fall 2024
- Keegan Duffin - Undergraduate Researcher Fall 2024
- Dhruv Mendpara - Undergraduate Researcher Fall 2024
- Benjamin Murray - Undergraduate Researcher Spring 2024-Fall 2024
- Sergio Barrios - Undergraduate Researcher Fall 2023

NASA - Universities Space Research Association

Mountain View, CA, USA

[Feynmann Quantum Academy](#)

2021-2024

- Farshud Sorourifar - Ph.D. in Chemical Engineering at Ohio State University
- Robin Brown - Ph.D. in Computational and Mathematical Engineering at Stanford University
- Phillip Kerger - Ph.D. in Applied Mathematics and Statistics at Johns Hopkins University
- Pratik Sathe - Ph.D. in Physics at the University of California in Los Angeles
- Dan Zhao - M.Sc. in Computer Science at the New York University
- Diana Chamaki - B.Sc. in Physics at the University of California in Berkeley
- Christopher Um - B.Sc. in Physics at Cornell University

Carnegie Mellon University

Pittsburgh, PA, USA

Chemical Engineering M.Sc. students Research

2018-2020

- Yunshan Liu
- Haokun Yang

Chemical Engineering undergraduate students Honors Research

2018-2020

- Felicity Gong
- Rahul Joglekar
- Saeed Syed
- Zhifei Yuliu

Universidad de los Andes

Chemical Engineering undergraduate students Thesis

Bogotá, Colombia
2015-2016

- Paola Cristancho
- Hugo Cuellar

Ph.D. Thesis committee member

- Carolina Tristán - Chemical Engineering, Universidad de Santander, Cantabria, Spain. Title: Advancing sustainability in the water-energy nexus. Optimization of reverse electrodialysis energy recovery from salinity gradients
- Phillip Kerger - Applied Mathematics and Statistics, Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, MD, USA. Title: Topics in Classical and Quantum Optimization: Complexity and Algorithms
- Guillermo Galán Iglesias - Chemical Engineering, Universidad de Salamanca, Salamanca, Spain. Title: Development of Tools for the Design of Processes at the Service of the Energy Transition
- Rodolfo Quintero - Industrial and Systems Engineering, Lehigh University, Bethlehem, PA, USA. Title: Exact Penalization, Lagrangian Relaxation, and Applications to Quantum Computing
- Hsuan-Hao Hsu - Chemical Engineering, Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN, USA. Title: Computational Reaction Discovery Algorithms for Open-Shell and Ionic Organic Species
- Begum Yuksel - Chemical Engineering, Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN, USA. Title: Atomistic Features Affecting Conductivity in Organic Mixed Ionic-Electronic Conductors

Other

Master students advised externally

- Pedro Maciel Xavier, Systems and Computing Engineering, Federal University of Rio de Janeiro, Brazil 2024
- Pedro da Silveira Carvalho Ripper, Electrical Engineering, Pontifical Catholic University of Rio de Janeiro, Brazil 2024

STUDENTS AWARDS AND HONORS

- Andres Cabeza - Best presentation in the AIChE LatinX Virtual Meeting 2023
American Institute of Chemical Engineers LatinX Division
- Haokun Yang - Best submission in the Refining and Petrochemical Plant Modeling and Operations Improvement Session: “Integration of Crude-Oil Scheduling and Refinery Planning By Lagrangean Decomposition Approach” 2018
AIChE Annual Meeting

SHORT COURSES AND WORKSHOPS TAUGHT

- Invited Short Course: Data Science and Optimization in Chemical Engineering - - Tecnológico de Monterrey, Monterrey, México 01/2025
- Invited Lecture: Reformulations and Decomposition for Quantum Discrete Optimization: applications in optimal power flow - 6th Grid Science Winter School - Los Alamos National Laboratory, Santa Fe, NM, USA 01/2025
- Invited Summer School: Optimization in Biorefineries - Universidad Nacional, Bogota, Colombia 07/2024
- Workshop: [Practical workshop on Quantum Computing for Optimization for Process Systems Engineering](#) - PSE/ESCAPE34, Florence, Italy 06/2024
- Master Class: [Quantum Computing for CP, AI, and OR, and vice-versa: Quantum-Classical Hybrid Methods for Optimization](#) - CPAIOR, Uppsala, Sweden 05/2024

- Invited Workshop: Quantum Integer Programming - Key Laboratory of Data Analytics and Optimization for Smart Industry, Northeastern University, Shenyang, China 04/2024
- Invited Workshop: Quantum Integer Programming - Key Laboratory of Data Analytics and Optimization for Smart Industry, Northeastern University, Shenyang, China 04/2024
- Invited Short Course: Quantum Computing in Optimization - Electrical Engineering and Computer Science, Khalifa University, Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates 03/2024
- Invited Short Course Lectures: [2023 Gene Golub SIAM Summer School on Quantum Computing and Optimization](#) - Lehigh University, Bethlehem, PA, USA 08/2023
- Invited Lecture: Discrete nonlinear optimization: Modeling and solutions via novel hardware and decomposition algorithms - 5th Grid Science Winter School - Los Alamos National Laboratory, Santa Fe, NM, USA 01/2023
- Short Course: Mixed-Integer and Disjunctive Optimization Theory, Software, and Algorithms - Institute of Industrial & Systems Engineering, Northeastern University, Shenyang, China 04/2019
- Software Workshop: Mathematical Programming in Python/Pyomo - Instituto de Desarrollo y Diseño INGAR CONICET-Universidad Tecnológica Nacional, Santa Fé, Argentina 08/2018

JOURNAL PUBLICATIONS

- [J1] **D. E. Bernal**, F. Gómez-Castro, E. A. del-Rio-Chanona, and V. Rico-Ramírez, “Future insights for optimization in chemical engineering”, in *Optimization in Chemical Engineering: Deterministic, Meta-Heuristic and Data-Driven Techniques*, ser. De Gruyter Textbook, F. Gómez-Castro and V. Rico-Ramírez, Eds., De Gruyter, 2025, ISBN: 9783111383620.
- [J2] A. Chatterjee, S. Rappaport, A. Giri, S. Johri, T. Proctor, **D. E. Bernal**, P. Sathe, and T. Lubinski, “A comprehensive cross-model framework for benchmarking the performance of quantum hamiltonian simulations”, *IEEE Transactions on Quantum Engineering*, pp. 1–24, 2025. DOI: [10.1109/TQE.2025.3558090](#).
- [J3] M. Dupont, B. Sundar, B. Evert, **D. E. Bernal**, Z. Peng, S. Jeffrey, and M. J. Hodson, “Benchmarking quantum optimization for the maximum-cut problem on a superconducting quantum computer”, *Phys. Rev. Appl.*, vol. 23, p. 014045, 1 2025. DOI: [10.1103/PhysRevApplied.23.014045](#).
- [J4] S. Dutta, I. Leal de Freitas, P. Maciel Xavier, C. Miceli de Farias, and **D. E. Bernal**, “Federated learning in chemical engineering: A tutorial on a framework for privacy-preserving collaboration across distributed data sources”, *Industrial & Engineering Chemistry Research*, 2025. DOI: [10.1021/acs.iecr.4c03805](#).
- [J5] **D. E. Bernal** and I. E. Grossmann, “Convex mixed-integer nonlinear programs derived from generalized disjunctive programming using cones”, *Computational Optimization and Applications*, pp. 1–62, 2024. DOI: [10.1007/s10589-024-00557-9](#).
- [J6] **D. E. Bernal**, C. D. Laird, L. R. Lueg, S. M. Harwood, D. Trenev, and D. Venturelli, “Utilizing modern computer architectures to solve mathematical optimization problems: A survey”, *Computers & Chemical Engineering*, p. 108627, 2024. DOI: [10.1016/j.compchemeng.2024.108627](#).
- [J7] A. S. Bhatia and **D. E. Bernal**, “Federated learning with tensor networks: a quantum AI framework for healthcare”, *Machine Learning: Science and Technology*, vol. 5, no. 4, p. 045035, 2024.
- [J8] R. Brown, **D. E. Bernal**, D. Venturelli, and M. Pavone, “A copositive framework for analysis of hybrid Ising-classical algorithms”, *SIAM Journal on Optimization*, vol. 34, no. 2, pp. 1455–1489, 2024. DOI: [10.1137/22M1514581](#).
- [J9] T. Lubinski, C. Coffrin, C. McGeoch, P. Sathe, J. Apanavicius, and **D. E. Bernal**, “Optimization Applications as Quantum Performance Benchmarks”, *ACM Transactions on Quantum Computing*, 2024. DOI: [10.1145/3678184](#).
- [J10] E. G. Rieffel, A. A. Asanjan, M. S. Alam, N. Anand, **D. E. Bernal**, S. Block, L. T. Brady, S. Cotton, Z. G. Izquierdo, S. Grabbe, *et al.*, “Assessing and advancing the potential of quantum computing: A NASA case study”, *Future Generation Computer Systems*, vol. 160, pp. 598–618, 2024, **Editor’s choice paper**. DOI: [10.1016/j.future.2024.06.012](#).

- [J11] N. P. Sawaya, D. Marti-Dafcik, Y. Ho, D. P. Tabor, **D. E. Bernal**, A. B. Magann, S. Premaratne, P. Dubey, A. Matsuura, N. Bishop, W. A. d. Jong, S. Benjamin, O. Parekh, N. Tubman, K. Klymko, and D. Camps, “HamLib: A library of Hamiltonians for benchmarking quantum algorithms and hardware”, *Quantum*, vol. 8, p. 1559, Dec. 2024, ISSN: 2521-327X. DOI: [10.22331/q-2024-12-11-1559](https://doi.org/10.22331/q-2024-12-11-1559).
- [J12] J. Wang, Z. Peng, R. Hughes, D. Bhattacharyya, **D. E. Bernal**, and A. W. Dowling, “Measure This, Not That: Optimizing the Cost and Model-Based Information Content of Measurements”, *Computers & Chemical Engineering*, vol. 189, p. 108786, 2024. DOI: [10.1016/j.compchemeng.2024.108786](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.compchemeng.2024.108786).
- [J13] P. Kerger, **D. E. Bernal**, Z. Gonzalez Izquierdo, and E. G. Rieffel, “Mind the \tilde{O} : Asymptotically Better, but Still Impractical, Quantum Distributed Algorithms”, *Algorithms*, vol. 16, no. 7, 2023, ISSN: 1999-4893. DOI: [10.3390/a16070332](https://doi.org/10.3390/a16070332).
- [J14] L. Su, **D. E. Bernal**, I. E. Grossmann, and L. Tang, “Modeling for integrated refinery planning with crude-oil scheduling”, *Chemical Engineering Research and Design*, vol. 192, pp. 141–157, 2023. DOI: [10.1016/j.cherd.2023.02.008](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.cherd.2023.02.008).
- [J15] **D. E. Bernal**, “Coherent simulation with thousands of qubits”, *Nature Physics*, 2022. DOI: [10.1038/s41567-022-01772-z](https://doi.org/10.1038/s41567-022-01772-z).
- [J16] **D. E. Bernal**, A. Ajagekar, S. M. Harwood, S. T. Stober, D. Trenev, and F. You, “Perspectives of Quantum Computing for Chemical Engineering”, *AIChE Journal*, e17651, 2022. DOI: [10.1002/aic.17651](https://doi.org/10.1002/aic.17651).
- [J17] **D. E. Bernal**, Z. Peng, J. Kronqvist, and I. E. Grossmann, “Alternative regularizations for Outer-Approximation algorithms for convex MINLP”, *Journal of Global Optimization*, pp. 1–36, 2022. DOI: [10.1007/s10898-022-01178-4](https://doi.org/10.1007/s10898-022-01178-4).
- [J18] R. Quintero, **D. E. Bernal**, T. Terlaky, and L. F. Zuluaga, “Characterization of QUBO reformulations for the maximum k-colorable subgraph problem”, *Quantum Information Processing*, vol. 21, no. 3, pp. 1–36, 2022. DOI: [10.1007/s11128-022-03421-z](https://doi.org/10.1007/s11128-022-03421-z).
- [J19] Q. Chen, E. S. Johnson, **D. E. Bernal**, R. Valentin, S. Kale, J. Bates, J. D. Sirola, and I. E. Grossmann, “Pyomo. GDP: an ecosystem for logic based modeling and optimization development”, *Optimization and Engineering*, pp. 1–36, 2021. DOI: [10.1007/s11081-021-09601-7](https://doi.org/10.1007/s11081-021-09601-7).
- [J20] S. Harwood, C. Gambella, D. Trenev, A. Simonetto, **D. Bernal**, and D. Greenberg, “Formulating and solving routing problems on quantum computers”, *IEEE Transactions on Quantum Engineering*, vol. 2, pp. 1–17, 2021. DOI: [10.1109/TQE.2021.3049230](https://doi.org/10.1109/TQE.2021.3049230).
- [J21] D. A. Liñán, **D. E. Bernal**, J. M. Gómez, and L. A. Ricardez-Sandoval, “Optimal synthesis and design of catalytic distillation columns: A rate-based modeling approach”, *Chemical Engineering Science*, vol. 231, p. 116294, 2021. DOI: [10.1016/j.ces.2020.116294](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ces.2020.116294).
- [J22] H. A. Pedrozo, S. R. Reartes, **D. E. Bernal**, A. Vecchietti, M. S. Díaz, and I. E. Grossmann, “Hybrid model generation for superstructure optimization with Generalized Disjunctive Programming”, *Computers & Chemical Engineering*, vol. 154, p. 107473, 2021. DOI: [10.1016/j.compchemeng.2021.107473](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.compchemeng.2021.107473).
- [J23] **D. E. Bernal**, S. Vigerske, F. Trespalcacios, and I. E. Grossmann, “Improving the performance of DICOPT in convex MINLP problems using a feasibility pump”, *Optimization Methods and Software*, vol. 35, no. 1, pp. 171–190, 2020. DOI: [10.1080/10556788.2019.1641498](https://doi.org/10.1080/10556788.2019.1641498).
- [J24] T. J. Ikonen, H. Mostafaei, Y. Ye, **D. E. Bernal**, I. E. Grossmann, and I. Harjunkoski, “Large-scale selective maintenance optimization using bathtub-shaped failure rates”, *Computers & Chemical Engineering*, vol. 139, p. 106876, 2020. DOI: [10.1016/j.compchemeng.2020.106876](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.compchemeng.2020.106876).
- [J25] J. Kronqvist, **D. E. Bernal**, and I. E. Grossmann, “Using regularization and second order information in outer approximation for convex MINLP”, *Mathematical Programming*, vol. 180, no. 1, pp. 285–310, 2020. DOI: [10.1007/s10107-018-1356-3](https://doi.org/10.1007/s10107-018-1356-3).
- [J26] C. Li, **D. E. Bernal**, K. C. Furman, M. A. Duran, and I. E. Grossmann, “Sample average approximation for stochastic nonconvex mixed integer nonlinear programming via outer-approximation”, *Optimization and Engineering*, pp. 1–29, 2020. DOI: [10.1007/s11081-020-09563-2](https://doi.org/10.1007/s11081-020-09563-2).
- [J27] D. A. Liñán, **D. E. Bernal**, L. A. Ricardez-Sandoval, and J. M. Gómez, “Optimal design of superstructures for placing units and streams with multiple and ordered available locations. Part I: A new mathematical framework”, *Computers & Chemical Engineering*, p. 106794, 2020. DOI: [10.1016/j.compchemeng.2020.106794](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.compchemeng.2020.106794).

- [J28] D. A. Liñán, **D. E. Bernal**, L. A. Ricardez-Sandoval, and J. M. Gómez, “Optimal design of superstructures for placing units and streams with multiple and ordered available locations. Part II: Rigorous design of catalytic distillation columns”, *Computers & Chemical Engineering*, p. 106 845, 2020. DOI: [10.1016/j.compchemeng.2020.106845](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.compchemeng.2020.106845).
- [J29] H. Yang, **D. E. Bernal**, R. E. Franzoi, F. G. Engineer, K. Kwon, S. Lee, and I. E. Grossmann, “Integration of Crude-Oil Scheduling and Refinery Planning by Lagrangean Decomposition”, *Computers & Chemical Engineering*, p. 106 812, 2020. DOI: [10.1016/j.compchemeng.2020.106812](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.compchemeng.2020.106812).
- [J30] J. Kronqvist, **D. E. Bernal**, A. Lundell, and I. E. Grossmann, “A review and comparison of solvers for convex MINLP”, *Optimization and Engineering*, vol. 20, no. 2, pp. 397–455, 2019. DOI: [10.1007/s11081-018-9411-8](https://doi.org/10.1007/s11081-018-9411-8).
- [J31] J. Kronqvist, **D. E. Bernal**, A. Lundell, and T. Westerlund, “A center-cut algorithm for quickly obtaining feasible solutions and solving convex MINLP problems”, *Computers & Chemical Engineering*, vol. 122, pp. 105–113, 2019. DOI: [10.1016/j.compchemeng.2018.06.019](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.compchemeng.2018.06.019).
- [J32] C. L. Lara, **D. E. Bernal**, C. Li, and I. E. Grossmann, “Global optimization algorithm for multi-period design and planning of centralized and distributed manufacturing networks”, *Computers & Chemical Engineering*, vol. 127, pp. 295–310, 2019. DOI: [10.1016/j.compchemeng.2019.05.022](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.compchemeng.2019.05.022).
- [J33] **D. E. Bernal**, C. Carrillo-Díaz, J. M. Gómez, and L. A. Ricardez-Sandoval, “Simultaneous design and control of catalytic distillation columns using comprehensive rigorous dynamic models”, *Industrial & Engineering Chemistry Research*, vol. 57, no. 7, pp. 2587–2608, 2018. DOI: [10.1021/acs.iecr.7b04205](https://doi.org/10.1021/acs.iecr.7b04205).
- [J34] L. Su, L. Tang, **D. E. Bernal**, and I. E. Grossmann, “Improved quadratic cuts for convex mixed-integer nonlinear programs”, *Computers & Chemical Engineering*, vol. 109, pp. 77–95, 2018, ISSN: 0098-1354. DOI: [10.1016/j.compchemeng.2017.10.011](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.compchemeng.2017.10.011).
- [J35] L. Leisman, M. P. Haynes, S. Janowiecki, G. Hallenbeck, G. Józsa, R. Giovanelli, E. A. Adams, **D. E. Bernal**, J. M. Cannon, W. F. Janesh, *et al.*, “(Almost) Dark Galaxies in the ALFALFA Survey: Isolated H i-bearing Ultra-diffuse Galaxies”, *The Astrophysical Journal*, vol. 842, no. 2, p. 133, 2017. DOI: [10.3847/1538-4357/aa7575](https://doi.org/10.3847/1538-4357/aa7575).

CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS

- [P1] R. A. Brown, D. Venturelli, M. Pavone, and **D. E. Bernal**, “Accelerating continuous variable coherent ising machines via momentum”, in *International Conference on the Integration of Constraint Programming, Artificial Intelligence, and Operations Research, (CPAIOR2024)*, Springer, 2024, pp. 109–126. DOI: [10.1007/978-3-031-60597-0_8](https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-031-60597-0_8).
- [P2] A. F. Cabeza, A. Orjuela, and **D. E. Bernal**, “A Novel Cost-Efficient Tributyl Citrate Production Process”, in *Proceedings of the 10th International Conference on Foundations of Computer Aided Process Design (FOCAPD 2024)*, ser. Systems & Controls Transactions, vol. 3, (**FOCAPD2024**), PSE Press: Hamilton, 2024, pp. 121–128, ISBN: 978-1-7779403-2-4.
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INVITED SEMINARS AND LECTURES

Upcoming

- Invited Speaker: Perspectives on Quantum Computing for Chemical Engineering - 17th AIChE Midwest Regional Conference, Chicago, IL, USA 04/2025

Previous

- Moderator and Panelist: Quantum Computing for the Analytics Industry -2025 INFORMS Analytics+ Conference, Indianapolis, IN, USA 04/2025
- Invited Seminar: Reformulations and Decomposition for Quantum Discrete Optimization: applications in optimal power flow - Operations Research Seminar, North Carolina State University, Raleigh, NC, USA 03/2025
- Invited Poster Presented: Quantum Artificial Intelligence: Applications in Computational Chemistry, Optimization, and Machine Learning - 2nd Sustain Science in Latin America Symposium, National Academies of Science, Engineering, and Medicine, Lima, Peru 03/2025
- Invited Seminar: Reformulations and Decomposition for Quantum Discrete Optimization: applications in optimal power flow - Industrial and Systems Engineering Research Seminar, Lehigh University, Bethlehem, PA, USA 02/2025
- Invited Speaker: Other ideas to leveraging quantum computing for discrete optimization - Optimization Workshop: Theory, Algorithms, and Applications, Universidad de los Andes, Bogotá, Colombia 12/2024
- Invited Speaker: Quantum-Classical Hybrid Methods: Applications in optimization, machine learning, and computational chemistry - Southeast Quantum Workshop, The University of Tennessee, Knoxville, TN 11/2024
- Invited Speaker: Advanced Optimization Methods and Hardware for Process Systems and Chemical Engineering - Center for Innovative and Strategic Transformation of Alkane Resources (CISTAR) Biannual Meeting, University of New Mexico, Albuquerque, NM 10/2024
- Invited Speaker: Quantum-Classical Hybrid Methods: Applications in optimization, machine learning, and computational chemistry - Center for Computing Research, Sandia National Laboratory, Albuquerque, NM 10/2024

- Invited Speaker: Quantum-Classical Hybrid Methods: Applications in optimization, machine learning, and computational chemistry - Center for Nonlinear Studies, Los Alamos National Laboratory, Los Alamos, NM 10/2024
- Panelist: Artificial Intelligence in Chemical Engineering - IV Symposium of Applied Optimization in Chemical Engineering (SOAIQ), Instituto Tecnológico de Monterrey, Mexico 10/2024
- Invited Seminar: Perspectives of Quantum Computing for Chemical Engineering - Universidad de Guanajuato, Mexico 10/2024
- Seminar: Quantum-Classical Hybrid Methods: Applications in optimization, machine learning, and computational chemistry - Qiskit Fall Fest IBM, Quantum Computing School in Spanish 09/2024
- Invited Seminar: Discrete nonlinear optimization: Modeling and solutions via novel hardware and decomposition algorithms - Key Laboratory of Data Analytics and Optimization for Smart Industry, Northeastern University, Shenyang, China 04/2024
- Invited Seminar: Quantum Computing for PSE. Opportunities via Problem Decomposition for Optimization, Machine Learning, and Computational Chemistry - 3rd Process Systems Engineering State of the Art Workshop, Hangzhou, China 04/2024
- Seminar: Perspectives on Quantum Computing for Chemical Engineering - Energy and Process Systems Engineering, ETH, Zurich, Switzerland 03/2024
- Seminar: Discrete nonlinear optimization: Modeling and solutions via novel hardware and decomposition algorithms - Technology Innovation Institute, Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates 03/2024
- Invited Seminar: Discrete nonlinear optimization: Modeling and solutions via novel hardware and decomposition algorithms - Industrial and Systems Engineering Research Seminar, Lehigh University, Bethlehem, PA, USA 02/2024
- Panelist: Navigating the Intersection of Technology and Society - Purdue Engineering Distinguished Lecture Series of Dean Yannis Yortsos, Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN, USA [Video](#) 01/2024
- Seminar: Discrete nonlinear optimization: Modeling and solutions via novel hardware and decomposition algorithms - Midwest Quantum Collaboratory Seminar, Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN, USA December. 2023
- Invited Lecture: Perspectives on Quantum Computing for Chemical Engineering - Department of Chemical Engineering, Universidad Nacional de Colombia, Bogotá, Colombia 11/2023
- Invited Lecture: Quantum Computing Tutorial - Machine Learning for Engineering, Universidad de los Andes, Bogotá, Colombia 11/2023
- Panelist: Artificial Intelligence and Superior Education - AI and Education Congress, Universidad Central, Bogotá, Colombia 10/2023
- Seminar: Quantum and Quantum-Inspired Methods for Optimization: Modeling, Algorithms, and Perspectives - Qiskit Fall Fest IBM, Quantum Computing School in Spanish [Video](#) 10/2023
- Invited Panelist: Quantum Computing - 9th Arab-American Frontiers Symposium, National Academies of Science, Engineering, and Medicine, Doha, Qatar 10/2023
- Invited Seminar: Quantum and Quantum-Inspired Methods for Optimization: Modeling, Algorithms, and Perspectives - 9th Arab-American Frontiers Symposium, National Academies of Science, Engineering, and Medicine, Doha, Qatar 10/2023
- Seminar: Perspectives on Quantum Computing for Chemical Engineering - IChemE Webinar series [Video](#) 10/2023
- Invited Seminar: Discrete nonlinear optimization: Modeling and solutions via novel hardware and decomposition algorithms - Industrial Engineering Research Seminar, Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN, USA 09/2023
- Panelist: Artificial Intelligence and Superior Education - AI and Education Congress, Fundación Alberto Merani, Bogotá, Colombia 08/2023
- Invited Speaker: Discrete nonlinear optimization: Modeling and solutions via novel hardware and decomposition algorithms - Learning from Both Sides Linear and Nonlinear Mixed-Integer Optimization, Institut Mittag-Leffler, Stockholm, Sweden 07/2023
- Seminar: Discrete nonlinear optimization: Modeling and solutions via novel hardware and decomposition algorithms - Power Systems Lab, Department of Information Technology and Electrical Engineering, ETH, Zürich, Switzerland 02/2023

- Seminar: Perspectives on Quantum Computing for Chemical Engineering: A joint view from Academia and Industry - Sargent Centre of Process Systems Engineering, Imperial College London, London, UK 02/2023
- Seminar: Perspectives on Quantum Computing for Chemical Engineering: A joint view from Academia and Industry - CODES Research Group Meeting, University of West Virginia, Morgantown, VA, USA 02/2023
- Seminar: Perspectives on Quantum Computing for Chemical Engineering: A joint view from Academia and Industry - Sustainable Process Systems Engineering Lab, Institute of Chemical and Bioengineering, ETH, Zürich, Switzerland 12/2022
- Seminar: Perspectives on Quantum Computing for Chemical Engineering: A joint view from Academia and Industry - Department of Chemical Engineering, McMaster University, Hamilton, ON, Canada 10/2022
- Seminar: Exploiting and Benchmarking Ising Solvers - Quantum Pittsburgh (QPitt) Meetup, Pittsburgh, PA, USA 10/2022
- Seminar: Introduction to Quantum Computing and Perspectives of Quantum Computing for Chemical Engineering - Quantum Pittsburgh (QPitt) Meetup, Pittsburgh, PA, USA 06/2022
- Plenary Moderator and Panelist: Future of Quantum Computing in Optimization - 2022 CORS/INFORMS International Conference, Vancouver, Canada 06/2022
- Seminar: Quantum Computing and Modern Computational Optimization Approaches to Process Systems Engineering - Laboratoire d'Informatique de Paris Nord, Paris, France 04/2022
- Seminar: Quantum Computing and Modern Computational Optimization Approaches to Process Systems Engineering (in Spanish) - Universidad de los Andes, Bogotá, Colombia 01/2022
- Seminar: Modern Computational Approaches to Nonlinear Discrete Optimization and Process Systems Engineering (in Spanish) - Universidad Nacional de Colombia, Bogotá, Colombia 12/2021
- Plenary: Modern Computational Approaches to Nonlinear Discrete Optimization and Process Systems Engineering (in Spanish) - Argentinian Symposium on Industrial Computing and Operations Research, Argentina [Video](#) 08/2021
- Quantum Computing for Discrete Nonlinear Optimization. Graver Augmented Multiseed Algorithm - Mixed-Integer Nonlinear Programming Virtual Workshop, Computational Optimization Group, Imperial College, London, UK [Video](#) 06/2021
- Invited Lecture for Modeling and Optimization Group, PSR, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil 04/2021
- Seminar: Modern Computational Approaches to Nonlinear Discrete Optimization - Quantum Computing and Mathematical Optimization, Real World Optimization meeting, Gesellschaft für Operations Research and German Aerospace Center, Germany 03/2021
- Seminar: Modern Computational Approaches to Nonlinear Discrete Optimization and Applications in Process Systems Engineering - Group for Applied Mathematical Modeling and Analytics, Industrial Engineering Department, University at Buffalo, NY, USA 03/2021
- Seminar: Modern Computational Approaches to Nonlinear Discrete Optimization (in Spanish) - Chemical Engineering Department, Universidad de Salamanca, Salamanca, Spain 01/2021
- Invited Lecture for Modeling and Optimization Journal Club: Quantum Computing for Optimization - Modeling and Optimization, Amazon, Seattle, WA, USA 01/2021
- Invited Lecture for 17-617 Programming Quantum Computers: Quantum Annealing and Ising Model Computation - Institute for Software Research, Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh, PA, USA 12/2020
- Seminar: Modern Computational Approaches to Nonlinear Discrete Optimization and their Application to Process Systems Engineering - Chemical Engineering Future Faculty Series 12/2020
- Seminar: Modern Computational Approaches to Nonlinear Discrete Optimization and their Application to Process Systems Engineering - Discrete Optimization Talks (DOT) [Video](#) 12/2020
- Invited Distinguished Speaker: Modern computational approaches to nonlinear discrete optimization - Department of Chemical and Biological Engineering, University of Wisconsin-Madison, Madison, WI, USA 11/2020
- Invited Lecture for ID5840 Quantum Integer Programming – Department of Electrical Engineering, Indian Institute of Technology, Madras, India 10/2020
- Invited Lecture for 06-720 Advanced Process Systems Engineering: Constraint Programming - Chemical Engineering Department, Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh, PA, USA 02/2020

- Invited Lecture for 47-830 Integer Programming: Valid inequalities for Mixed-Integer Programming - Tepper School of Business, Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh, PA, USA 02/2019
- Seminar: Incorporating Quadratic Approximations in the Outer-Approximation Method for Convex MINLP - Universidad Nacional del Litoral, Santa Fé, Argentina 08/2018
- Incorporating Quadratic Approximations in the Outer-Approximation Method for Convex MINLP - Designing and Implementing Algorithms for Mixed-Integer Nonlinear Optimization, Dagstuhl Seminar 18081, Dagstuhl, Germany 02/2018

INVITED CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

1. **Bernal, D.E.** “Reformulations and Decomposition for Quantum Discrete Optimization: Applications in Optimal Power Flow”, *2025 Institute For Operations Research and Management Science (INFORMS) Computing Society Meeting*.
2. Maciel Xavier, P., **Bernal, D.E.** “Implementing non-standard automatic QUBO reformulation in JuMP”, *2025 INFORMS Computing Society Meeting*.
3. Peng, Z., Cao, K., Furman, K., Li, C., Grossmann, I.E., **Bernal, D.E.** “A Convexification-Based Outer-Approximation Method for Convex and Nonconvex MINLP”, *2024 INFORMS Meeting*.
4. Peng, Z., Maciel Xavier, P., **Bernal, D.E.** “Hybrid Quantum Branch-and-Bound Method for Quadratic Unconstrained Binary Optimization”, *2024 INFORMS Meeting*.
5. **Bernal, D.E.**, Peng, Z., Furman, K., Li, C., Grossmann, I.E., “A Convexification-Based Outer-Approximation Method for Convex and Nonconvex MINLP”, *25th International Symposium of Mathematical Programming (ISMP2024)*.
6. **Bernal, D.E.**, Peng, Z., Maciel Xavier, P. “Hybrid Quantum Branch-and-Bound Method for Quadratic Unconstrained Binary Optimization”, *ISMP2024*.
7. Maciel Xavier, P., Ripper, P., Dias Garcia, J., Maculan, N., **Bernal, D.E.**, “QUBO.jl: A tale of implementation and benchmarking of a Quantum Optimization Ecosystem in Julia”, *ISMP2024*.
8. Bhatia, A.S., **Bernal, D.E.** “Federated Hierarchical Tensor Networks: a Collaborative Quantum AI-Driven Framework for Healthcare”, *2024 INFORMS Optimization Society (OS) Meeting*.
9. Lubinski, T., Coffrin, C., McGeoch, C., Sathe, P., Apanavicius, J., **Bernal, D.E.** “Optimization Applications as Quantum Performance Benchmarks”, *2024 INFORMS OS (IOS) Meeting*.
10. **Bernal, D.E.**, Brown, R., Sathe, P., Wudarski, P., Pavone, M., Rieffel, E., Venturelli, D. “Benchmarking the Operation of Quantum Heuristics and Ising Machines: Scoring Parameter Setting Strategies on Optimization Applications”, *2024 IOS Meeting*.
11. **Bernal, D.E.** “Using Quantum and Physics-Inspired Methods for Constrained Optimization: Reformulations, Decomposition Algorithms, Software and Benchmarking”, *2023 INFORMS Meeting*.
12. Brown, R., **Bernal, D.E.**, Venturelli, D., Pavone, M. “Accelerating Coherent Continuous Variable Machines Using Momentum”, *2023 INFORMS Meeting*.
13. Sorourifar, F., Chamaki, D., Tubman, N, Paulson, J., **Bernal, D.E.** “Specialized Gaussian Process Modifications for Shot-Efficient Quantum-Classical Optimization”, *2023 INFORMS Meeting*.
14. Peng, Z., Grossmann, I.E., **Bernal, D.E.** “Mixed-Integer Nonlinear Decomposition Toolbox in Pyomo”, *2023 INFORMS Meeting*.
15. **Bernal, D.E.**, Brown, R.A., Venturelli, D., Pavone, M. “Hybrid Classical-Quantum Algorithms for Mixed-Integer Optimization”, *2023 Society of Industrial and Applied Mathematics Optimization Meeting (SIAM OP23)*.
16. **Bernal, D.E.**, Venturelli, D., Wudarski, F.A., Rieffel, E.G. “Benchmarking the Operation of Quantum Heuristics and Ising Machines: Scoring Parameter Setting Strategies on Real World Optimization Applications”, *2022 INFORMS Meeting*.
17. Brown, R.A., **Bernal, D.E.**, Venturelli, D., Pavone, M. “Copositive Optimization via Ising Solvers”, *2022 INFORMS Meeting*.

18. Rieffel, E., Kerger, P., **Bernal, D.E.** “Quantum, quantum-classical hybrid, and distributed quantum algorithms for problems in operations research”, *Workshop on Quantum Computing and Operations Research 2022*.
19. **Bernal, D.E.** Plenary Moderator and Panelist “Future of Quantum Computing in Optimization”, *2022 CORS/INFORMS International Conference*.
20. **Bernal, D.E.**, Grossmann, I.E. “Easily Solvable Convex Mixed-Integer Nonlinear Programs Derived from Generalized Disjunctive Programming using Cones”, *2021 INFORMS Meeting*.
21. Quintero, R.A., **Bernal, D.E.**, Terlaki, T., Zuluaga, L., “Characterization of QUBO reformulations for the maximum k-colorable subgraph problem”, *2021 INFORMS Meeting*.
22. **Bernal, D.E.**, Peng, Z., Kronqvist, J., Grossmann, I.E. “Regularization in Decomposition Methods for Global Optimization of Mixed-Integer Nonlinear Programming”, *31st European Conference on Operational Research (EURO) 2021*.
23. Li, C., Grossmann, I.E., **Bernal, D.E.**, Furman, K., “Sample Average Approximation for Stochastic Nonconvex Mixed Integer Nonlinear Programming via Outer Approximation”, *31st EURO 2021*.
24. Quintero, R.A., **Bernal, D.E.**, Terlaki, T., Zuluaga, L., “Characterization of QUBO reformulations for the maximum k-colorable subgraph problem”, *31st EURO 2021*.
25. **Bernal, D.E.**, Kronqvist, J., Lundell, A., Grossmann, I.E. “A Review And Comparison Of Solvers For Convex MINLP”, *2020 INFORMS Meeting*.
26. Li, C., **Bernal, D.E.**, Grossmann, I.E., Furman, K., “Sample Average Approximation for Stochastic Nonconvex Mixed Integer Nonlinear Programming via Outer Approximation”, *2020 INFORMS Meeting*.
27. **Bernal, D.E.**, Valentin, R., Chen, Q., Grossmann, I.E. “Mixed-integer Nonlinear Decomposition Toolbox for Pyomo MindtPy”, *2019 INFORMS Meeting*.
28. Chen, Q., Valentin, R., Kale, S., Bates, J., **Bernal, D.E.**, Bynum, M.L., Siirola, J., Grossmann, I.E. “Advances in Pyomo.GDP: an Ecosystem For Nonlinear Disjunctive Programming Modeling and Optimization Development”, *2019 INFORMS Meeting*.
29. **Bernal, D.E.**, Gong, F., Chen, Q., Grossmann, I.E. “Mixed-integer Nonlinear Decomposition Toolbox for Pyomo”, *2018 INFORMS Meeting*.
30. **Bernal, D.E.**, Kronqvist, J., Lundell, A., Westerlund, T., Grossmann, I.E. “A Center Cut Algorithm for Quickly Obtaining Feasible Solutions and Solving Convex Mixed Integer Nonlinear Programs”, *2018 INFORMS Meeting*.
31. Yang, H., **Bernal, D.E.**, Grossmann, I.E. “Integration of Crude-Oil Scheduling and Refinery Planning By Lagrangean Decomposition Approach”, *2018 INFORMS Meeting*.

CONTRIBUTED CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

1. **Bernal, D.E.** “Generalized Disjunctive Programming: A Trip Down Memory Lane from Development, Extensions, and Future Perspectives”, *2024 American Institute of Chemical Engineers (AIChE) Annual Meeting*.
2. **Bernal, D.E.** “Purdue Center for Operations and Optimization in Process Systems”, *2024 AIChE Annual Meeting*.
3. Leal de Freitas, I., Peng, L., Dutta, S., **Bernal, D.E.** “Quantum Federated Learning-Based Collaborative Manufacturing”, *2024 AIChE Annual Meeting*.
4. Tristán, C., Fallanza, M., Ibañez, R., Grossmann, I.E., **Bernal, D.E.** “Improving Sustainability in the Water Sector with Reverse Electrodialysis Optimization for Renewable Electricity Generation from Salinity Gradients”, *2024 AIChE Annual Meeting*.
5. Peng, Z., Lee, A., **Bernal, D.E.** “Addressing Discrete Dynamic Optimization Via a Logic-Based Discrete-Steepest Descent Algorithm”, *2024 AIChE Annual Meeting*.
6. Liñán, D.A., Lee, A., Ricardez-Sandoval, L., **Bernal, D.E.** “A Combinatorial Bender’s Cuts Approach for Cost Minimization of Network Scheduling Problems with Mixed-Integer and Mixed-Integer Nonlinear Applications”, *2024 AIChE Annual Meeting*.
7. Peng, Z., Maciel Xavier, P., **Bernal, D.E.** “Hybrid Quantum Branch-and-Bound Method for Quadratic Unconstrained Binary Optimization”, *2024 AIChE Annual Meeting*.

8. Sorourifar, F., Chamaki, D., Gustafson, E., Tubman, N., Paulson, J., **Bernal, D.E.**, “Bayesian Optimization-Aided Ground-State Molecular Calculation in Current Quantum Computers”, *2024 AIChE Annual Meeting*.
9. **Bernal, D.E.**, Peng, Z., Maciel Xavier, P. “Hybrid Quantum Branch-and-Bound Method for Quadratic Unconstrained Binary Optimization”, *Julia Mathematical Programming developers workshop 2024 (JuMP-dev 2024)*, [Video](#).
10. Maciel Xavier, P., Ripper, P., Dias Garcia, J., Maculan, N., **Bernal, D.E.**, “QUBO.jl: A tale of implementation and benchmarking of a Quantum Optimization Ecosystem in Julia”, *JuMP-dev 2024*, [Video](#).
11. Lee, A., Ovalle, D. Liñán, D.A., Ricardez-Sandoval, L., Gómez, J.M., Grossmann, I.E., **Bernal, D.E.**, “Logic-Based Discrete-Steepest Descent: A Solution Method for Process Synthesis Generalized Disjunctive Programs”, *2024 AIChE Midwest Regional Conference*.
12. Tristán, C., Fallanza, M., Ibañez, R., **Bernal, D.E.**, “Optimizing Reverse Electrodialysis Process for Renewable Electricity Generation from Salinity Gradient”, *2024 AIChE Midwest Regional Conference*.
13. **Bernal, D.E.**, Kerger, P., Rieffel E. “Classical and Quantum Distributed Algorithms for the Survivable Network Design Problem”, *2024 American Physics Society (APS) March Meeting*.
14. Gustafson, E., Tiihosen, J., Chamaki, D., Mullinax, W., **Bernal, D.E.**, Swaya, N., Maciejewski, F., Kim, J., Tubman, N., Krogel, J. “Surrogate Optimization for Quantum Circuits”, *2024 APS March Meeting*.
15. Chamaki, D., Sorourifar, F., Velury, S., Hargus, C., Klymko, K., Hamilton, K., Hadfield, S., Mullinax, W., Paulson, J., **Bernal, D.E.**, Rotskoff, G., Tubman, N. “A look at the truths and misconceptions of the variational quantum eigensolver and the implications of overparameterization”, *2024 APS March Meeting*.
16. Cabeza, A.F., Orjuela, A., **Bernal, D.E.**, “Tributyl Citrate production from Calcium Citrate Salt: Reaction Kinetics and Process Simulation”, *2023 American Institute of Chemical Engineering (AIChE) Meeting*.
17. Peng, Z., Grossmann, I.E., **Bernal, D.E.**, “Mixed-Integer Nonlinear Decomposition Toolbox in Pyomo”, *2023 AIChE Meeting*.
18. **Bernal, D.E.**, Kerger, P., Rieffel, E.G., “Quantum Distributed Algorithms for Approximate Steiner Trees and Directed Minimum Spanning Trees”, *2023 APS March Meeting*.
19. Sathe, P., Lubinski, T., Coffrin, C., Apanavicius, J., McGeoch, C., **Bernal, D.E.**, “Characteristics of Optimization Applications as Quantum Performance Benchmarks”, *2023 APS March Meeting*.
20. Quintero, R.A., **Bernal, D.E.**, Terlaki, T., Zuluaga, L., “Characterization of QUBO reformulations for the maximum k-colorable subgraph problem”, *XXI Latin-Iberoamerican Conference on Operations Research (CLAIO) 2022*.
21. **Bernal, D.E.**, “Perspectives on Quantum Computing for Chemical Engineering: A joint view from Academia and Industry”, *2022 AIChE Meeting*.
22. **Bernal, D.E.**, Brown, R.A., Venturelli, D., Pavone, M. “Mixed-Binary Quadratic Programming via Convex Copositive Optimization and Ising Solvers”, *7th International Conference on Continuous Optimization (ICCOPT) 2022*.
23. Brown, R.A., **Bernal, D.E.**, Sahasrabudhe, A., Loot, A., Venturelli, D., Pavone, M. “Copositive optimization via Ising solvers”, *24th International Conference on the Integration of Constraint Programming, Artificial Intelligence, and Operations Research (CPAIOR) 2022*, [Video](#).
24. **Bernal, D.E.**, “Perspectives on Quantum Computing for Chemical Engineering: A joint view from Academia and Industry”, *2022 Quantum Computing Applications in Chemical and Biochemical Engineering Workshop*.
 - Prize for best talk at the workshop
25. **Bernal, D.E.**, Venturelli, D., Wudarski, F.A., Rieffel, E.G. “Benchmarking the Operation of Quantum Heuristics and Ising Machines: Scoring Parameter Setting Strategies on Real World Optimization Applications”, *2022 APS March Meeting*.
26. **Bernal, D.E.**, Peng, Z., Kronqvist, J., Grossmann, I.E. “Alternative Regularization Schemes in Outer-Approximation Algorithms for Convex MINLP”, *2021 AIChE Meeting*.
27. **Bernal, D.E.**, Ovalle, D., Liñán, D., Gómez, J.M., Ricardez-Sandoval, L., Grossmann, I.E. “Discrete-Steepest Descent: A Solution Method for Process Synthesis Generalized Disjunctive Programs”, *2021 AIChE Meeting*.
28. Pedrozo, A., Rodriguez, S.B., **Bernal, D.E.**, Vechietti, A., Diaz, M.S., Grossmann, I.E. “Optimal Synthesis and Heat Integration Using Generalized Disjunctive Programming with Hybrid Models”, *2021 AIChE Meeting*.

29. **Bernal, D.E.**, Peng, Z., Kronqvist, J., Grossmann, I.E. “Regularization in Decomposition Methods for Global Optimization of Mixed-Integer Nonlinear Programming”, *2021 Society for Industrial and Applied Mathematics (SIAM) Conference on Optimization*.
30. **Bernal, D.E.** “Modern Computational Approaches to Nonlinear Discrete Optimization and Their Application to Process Systems Engineering”, *2020 AIChE Meeting*.
 - Meet the Faculty & Post-Doc Candidates Poster Session
31. **Bernal, D.E.**, Grossmann, I.E. “Use of Quantum Computing to Solve Optimization Problems in Process Systems Engineering”, *2020 AIChE Meeting*.
 - Computing and Systems Technology Division Directors’ Student Award Finalist
32. Li, C., **Bernal, D.E.**, Grossmann, I.E., Furman, K., “Sample Average Approximation for Stochastic Nonconvex Mixed Integer Nonlinear Programming via Outer Approximation”, *2020 AIChE Meeting*.
33. Chen, Q., **Bernal, D.E.**, Johnson, E., Valentin, R., Kale, S., Bates, J., Sirola, J.D., Grossmann, I.E. “Pyomo.GDP: An Ecosystem for Logic-Based Modeling and Optimization Development”, *2020 AIChE Meeting*.
34. Chen, Q., Liu Y., Seastream G., **Bernal, D.E.**, Sirola, J.D., Grossmann, I.E. “Pyosyn Graph: New Representation and Systematic Generation of Process Superstructures”, *2020 AIChE Meeting*.
35. **Bernal, D.E.**, Booth, K.E.C., Dridi, R., Alghassi, H., Tayur, S., Venturelli, D. “Integer Programming techniques for minor-embedding in quantum annealers”, *Constraint Programming, Artificial Intelligence, Operations Research CPAIOR 2020*.
36. **Bernal, D.E.**, Grossmann, I.E. “Easily Solvable Convex Mixed-Integer Nonlinear Programs Derived from Generalized Disjunctive Programming using Cones”, *2019 AIChE Meeting*.
37. Chen, Q., Kale, S., Bates, J., Romeo, V., **Bernal, D.E.**, Bynum, M., Sirola, J.D., Grossmann, I.E. “Pyosyn: A Collaborative Ecosystem for Process Design Advancement”, *2019 AIChE Meeting*.
38. **Bernal, D.E.**, Su, L., Tang, L., Grossmann, I.E. “Quadratic Cut Decomposition Method for Convex Mixed-Integer Nonlinear Programs”, *2018 AIChE Meeting*.
39. Yang, H., **Bernal, D.E.**, Grossmann, I.E. “Integration of Crude-Oil Scheduling and Refinery Planning By Lagrangean Decomposition Approach”, *2018 AIChE Meeting*.
 - Best submission in the Refining and Petrochemical Plant Modeling and Operations Improvement Session
40. Su, L., Tang, L., **Bernal, D.E.**, Grossmann, I.E., Wang, B. “Integrated Scheduling of On-Line Blending and Distribution of Oil Products in Refinery Operation”, *13th International Symposium on Process Systems Engineering PSE 2018*
41. Kronqvist, J., **Bernal, D.E.**, Grossmann, I.E. “A Level-Based Quadratic Outer-Approximation Algorithm for convex MINLP”, *2017 AIChE Meeting*.
42. **Bernal, D.E.**, Gomez, J.M. “Optimal design and control of a catalytic distillation column. Case study: Ethyl tert-butyl ether (ETBE) synthesis column”, *2016 AIChE Meeting*.
43. **Bernal, D.E.**, Vigerske, S., Trespalacios, F., Grossmann, I.E. “Feasibility pump for solving convex MINLP problems with DICOPT”, *2016 AIChE Meeting*.

THESES

- [T1] **D. E. Bernal**, “Modern Computational Approaches to Nonlinear Discrete Optimization and Applications in Process Systems Engineering.”, Ph.D. Thesis available [here](#), Ph.D. dissertation, Carnegie Mellon University, 2021.
- [T2] **D. E. Bernal**, *Optimal design and control of a catalytic distillation column. Case study: Ethyl tert-butyl ether (ETBE) synthesis column*. M.Sc. Thesis available [here](#), 2017.
- [T3] **D. E. Bernal**, *Bounding the tangential velocities of Andromeda’s satellite galaxies using nonlinear programming*. B.S. Thesis available (in Spanish) [here](#), 2016.
- [T4] **D. E. Bernal**, *Comparative study of the simulation methods of the extractive distillation system for the dehydration of ethanol using glycerol as a solvent*. B.S. Thesis available (in Spanish) [here](#), 2014.

FELLOWSHIPS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

• Decomposition-Based Approaches for Practical Quantum Optimization (\$37k) <i>Center of Quantum Technologies project</i>	2025
• Efficient algorithms for optimization using analog and gate-based quantum computers (\$50k) <i>Purdue College of Engineering and College of Science Seed funds</i>	2024
• Efficient mapping quadratic integer programming problems into qudits-based architectures (\$50k) <i>Quantum Collaborative Summit Seed funds</i>	2024
• Arab-American Frontiers Fellowship <i>National Academies of Science, Engineering, and Medicine</i>	2024
• NSF Supplement Award 2234175 Enabling Quantum Computing Platform access (\$50k) <i>NSF Proposal “Digital design of a network of distributed modular and agile manufacturing systems with optimal supply chain for personalized medical treatments.” 2132142</i>	2023
• NSF Supplement Award 2038247 Enabling Quantum Computing Platform access (\$50k) <i>NSF Proposal “GOALI: Optimal Design and Operation of Reliable Process Systems.” 1705372</i>	2020
• Travel Award to attend CRM/DIMACS Workshop on Mixed-Integer Nonlinear Programming <i>Centre de recherches mathématiques and Center for Discrete Mathematics and Theoretical Computer Science</i>	2019
• Feynman Quantum Academy - Internship Program <i>University Space Research Association (USRA), NASA Quantum and Artificial Intelligence Laboratory</i>	2019
• NSF Travel Award 1838086 <i>NSF Proposal “GOALI: Optimal Design and Operation of Reliable Process Systems.” 1705372</i>	2018
• Travel Award to attend COIN forGery workshop <i>Institute for Mathematics and its Applications and Computational Infrastructure for Operations Research</i>	2019
• Travel Award to attend Dagstuhl seminar on Mixed-Integer Nonlinear Optimization <i>NSF Support Grant for Junior Researchers CNS-1257011 and Schloss Dagstuhl Leibniz-Zentrum für Informatik</i>	2018
• Fellowship for Ph.D. in Chemical Engineering <i>Center of Advanced Decision-making (CAPD), Chemical Engineering Department, Carnegie Mellon University</i>	2017
• Undergraduate Research Fellow in Astrophysics SURF Cornell-UniAndes <i>Cornell University and Universidad de los Andes</i>	2016
• Fellowship for Master of Science Degree in Chemical Engineering <i>Chemical Engineering Department, Universidad de los Andes</i>	2014
• Young Engineers Scholarship for International Exchange at Otto-von-Guericke Universität <i>German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD), Colombian Science National System (COLCIENCIAS), and Universidad de los Andes</i>	2012
• Alberto Magno Scholarship to Academic Excellence <i>Universidad de los Andes</i>	2009

MEMBERSHIPS AND SERVICE

Purdue University	West Lafayette, IN, USA
Member of the Center of Quantum Technologies (CQT)	2023-Current
Member of the Center of Innovative and Strategic Transformation of Alkane Resources (CISTAR)	2023-Current
Member of the Purdue Quantum Science and Engineering Institute (PQSEI)	2023-Current
Co-organizer of 2nd Colombian Academic Diaspora Symposium	Summer 2025
Reviewer of the application of the 38 by 38 award of the College of Engineering	Fall 2025

Program chair of the Gavriel Salvendy International Symposium on Frontiers in Industrial Engineering Purdue Quantum AI (PQAI)	Fall 2025
Reviewer of the application of the inaugural 38 by 38 award of the College of Engineering	Fall 2024
Member of the Ph.D. recruitment committee at the Davidson School of Chemical Engineering	Fall 2023-Current
Faculty co-advisor of the American Institute of Chemical Engineers (AIChE) student chapter	Fall 2023-Current
Faculty advisor of the Colombian Student Association	Spring 2024-Current
Marshall for the Davidson School of Chemical Engineering graduation	Spring 2024

Editorial Activities

- Topic Editor - Frontiers in Computer Science, [Experience with Quantum Annealing Computation](#) 2022-2023
- Associate Editor - Frontiers in Chemical Engineering, Computational Methods in Chemical Engineering 2023

Peer Reviewer

- Computers & Chemical Engineering 2020–2024
- Nature Physics 2022–2024
- Industrial & Engineering Chemistry Research 2024
- IEEE Conference in Design and Control 2024
- IEEE Quantum Week - Quantum Machine Learning track 2024
- Digital Chemical Engineering 2022–2023
- Optimization Letters 2021–2022
- ACM Transactions in Quantum Computing 2023
- Quantum Information Processing 2022
- Operational Research 2022
- Frontiers of Sustainability 2022
- IEEE Conference on Decision and Control 2022
- Optimization & Engineering 2019–2021
- Journal of Optimization Theory and Applications 2021
- Quantum Machine Intelligence 2021
- Current Opinion in Chemical Engineering 2021
- Mathematical Programming 2020
- Journal of Global Optimization 2019–2021
- Chemical Engineering Journal 2019
- American Control Conference 2020

Professional Societies Activites

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| American Institute of Chemical Engineers (AIChE) | Member since 2014 |
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- Programming Coordinator at Annual meeting on Applied Mathematics and Numerical Analysis 10D session 2027
 - Organizer for the Quantum ChemE 2025 (QChemE): Quantum Computing Applications in Chemical and Biochemical Engineering Workshop - AIChE and DTU 2025
 - Session chair at AIChE Midwest Regional Meeting on Process Systems Engineering 2025
 - Session co-chair at Annual meeting on advances in process design 10A session 2024
 - Panelist on The Revolution Before the Revolution: Technology Leadership in Quantum Computing during the AIChE Annual Meeting 2024
 - Panelist on Cafe con LatinX during the AIChE Annual Meeting 2024
 - Panelist on for LatinXinChemE Annual Colloquium 2024
 - Organizer for the Workshop of Quantum Computing and Artificial Intelligence for Chemical and Biochemical Engineering Applications - AIChE and DTU 2024

– Session chair at AIChE Midwest Regional Meeting on Machine Learning and Optimizations	2024
– Scientific committee member for the Workshop of Quantum Computing for Chemical and Biochemical Engineering Applications - AIChE and DTU	2023
– Session chair at Workshop of Quantum Computing for Chemical and Biochemical Engineering Applications session on Emerging QC Applications for Engineers	2023
– Jury for the best poster in the Chemical Engineering division for the forum for Latin American chemistry community conference LatinXChemE	2021
Institute for Operations Research and Management Science (INFORMS)	Member since 2017
– Co-chair of the Quantum Computing working committee	2025
– Cluster Chair on Quantum Computing at INFORMS Computing Society Meeting	2025
– Session Chair at INFORMS Computing Society Meeting session on Quantum Computing and Operations Research	2025
– Program Committee member for Computational Optimization on INFORMS Optimization Society Meeting - Rice University	2024
– Session chair at INFORMS Annual Meeting session on Hybrid Quantum-Classical methods for Optimization and Sampling	2022
– Session chair at INFORMS Annual Meeting session on Integer Programming	2021
– Session chair at INFORMS Annual Meeting session on Pyomo	2019
Society for Industrial and Applied Mathematics (SIAM)	Member since 2020
– Organizer of mini-symposium for Quantum Computing in Optimization - SIAM OP meeting	2023
American Physics Society (APS)	Member since 2021
– Session chair at APS March Meeting session on Quantum Network Algorithms and Analysis	2023
– Sorting of talks for the Division of Quantum Information at the American Physics Society (APS) March Meeting	2022
Computer Aids for Chemical Engineering	Member since 2024
– Session Chair for Education in Process Design session in the Foundations of Computer Aided Process Design (FOCAPD) Meeting	2024
Julia for Mathematical Programming	Member of developer team since 2024
– Program committee member for the annual developer meeting https://jump.dev/meetings/jumpdev2024/	2024
– Session Chair for the annual developer meeting https://jump.dev/meetings/jumpdev2024/	2024
Carnegie Mellon University	Pittsburgh, PA, USA
Member of the Pittsburgh Quantum Institute (PQI)	2019-Current
Chemical Engineering LatinX and Hispanics Graduate Student Recruiting Session Organizer	2021
SHPE Annual Meeting CMU College of Engineering Graduate Student Recruiting Volunteer	2020
Liaison of the CMU Quantum Computing group for the Pittsburgh Quantum Institute (PQI)	2017-2021
Conference chair and organizer of YinzOR Student Conference	2017
Other	
Judge for the Pritsker Doctoral Dissertation Award - Institute of Industrial and Systems Engineers	2025
Panelist for Workshop on Quantum Computing and Operations Research - Fields Institute in Toronto	2022
Jury for the best undergraduate graduation project at Universidad de los Andes Chemical Engineering	2021
Moderator on the discussion about Decomposition techniques at MINLP Virtual Workshop	2021

SOFTWARE PRODUCTS

- **MindtPy** (Developer): Open-source decomposition toolkit for Mixed-Integer Nonlinear Programming
- **Stochastic-Benchmark** (Developer): Open-source benchmarking tool for stochastic optimization solvers
- **GDPLib** (Maintainer): Open-source library of Generalized Disjunctive Programming models in Pyomo
- **toQUBO.jl** (Originator): Open-source library for reformulation of Mathematical Programs into Quadratic Unconstrained Binary Optimization in Julia
- **QUBOTools.jl** (Originator): Open-source Tools for Quadratic Unconstrained Binary Optimization models analysis in Julia
- **QUBODrivers.jl** (Originator): Interface for classical and quantum annealing solvers in Julia
- **GDPOpt** (Contributor): Open-source solver for Generalized Disjunctive Programming in Pyomo
- **DICOPT** (Contributor): Commercial solver for Mixed-Integer Nonlinear Programming in GAMS

COMPLEMENTARY COURSES TAKEN

Carnegie Mellon University	Pittsburgh, PA, USA
10-716 Advanced Machine Learning, Theory and Methods	Spring 2019
10-703 Deep Reinforcement Learning and Control	Fall 2019
CAPD Conceptual Design and Optimization Modeling	Summer 2015
Universidad de los Andes	Bogotá, Colombia
IIND-4101 Advanced Optimization	2014
Universidad Nacional de Colombia	Bogotá, Colombia
Advanced Separation Processes	2014
Max Planck Institute for Dynamics of Complex Technical Systems	Magdeburg, Germany
5.24 Innovative Concepts in Integrated Reactors	2012
Goethe-Institut	Göttingen, Germany
Intensive technical German Course	2012

SKILLS

- **Programming Languages:** Python, C, FORTRAN, C++, Julia
- **Experience with algebraic modeling language for optimization:** GAMS, Pyomo, AIMMS, JuMP.
- **Software Proficiency:** MATLAB, Aspen Plus, Aspen HYSYS, UniSim Design.

LANGUAGES

	Comprehension		Speaking		Written Expression
	Listening	Reading	Oral Interaction	Oral Expression	
Spanish	Native Speaker				
English	C2	C2	C1	C1	C1
German	TOEFL 115/120				
	C1	C1	C1	B2	B2
French	Test DaF 4.5/5				
	A2	A2	A2	A2	A1
Test Delf A2 74.5/100					

Level A1/A2 Basic User – B1/B2 Independent User – C1/C2 Proficient User
Common European Framework of Reference for Languages