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Education

University of Florida

Ph.D. Chemical Engineering

2017-present
Gainesville, FL

Gainesville, FL

University of Florida

University of Miami

M.S. Chemical Engineering

Coral Gables, FL

B.S. Chemistry

Skills

Programming: Python, Git, LATEX, MATLAB, JavaScript, Visual Basic **Software**: Minitab, ImageJ, Office Suites, VESTA, Diamond, LIMS

Experience

University of Florida Gainesville

Graduate Assistant

08/2017-present

- Research Assistant Topic: Transport measurements of gas diffusion through metal organic framework (MOF) channels and synthesis thereof.
- Teaching assistant for the Computer Model Formulation(COT3502) and Chemical Kinetics and Reactor Design (ECH4504) chemical engineering courses for the Fall 2017–Spring 2018 semester.

Xerox Webster

Associate Engineer, NY

07/2015-07/2017

- o Optimized toners to meet standards demanded by client(s) by conducting/analyzing several factorial experiments (DOEs)
- o Contributed to Xerox's intellectual property portfolio by passing invention submissions focused on toner quality improvement.

University of Florida Gainesville

Research Assistant

12/2013-06/2015

- o Adapted a process which was used to support the submission of a \$45,000 commercialization proposal in June 2014.
- Materialized primary goals of research project, making helpful contributions to the passing of a larger NIH R01 funded (about \$180,000 for the year 2015) project.
- o Co-invented a technology highly applicable to the \$1.68 billion dollar market of nerve repair and regeneration.

Data Science / Programming Exp. and Projects

2018-present Ph.D. Research (University of Florida):

- o Development of a kinetic Monte Carlo (kMC) algorithm for a MOF crystallization process (Python) and an analytical expression thereof.
- o Development of a chemical equilibrium reaction networks to model concentration of chemical species with respect to system changes based on a system of non-linear equations solver (Python)

Spring 2018 TA (University of Florida):

Instructed and assisted students with computer programming development (Python) and numerical analysis topics **2015-2017 Engineer (Xerox)**:

- o Provided estimates of spread (standard deviation) through factorial and simple Monte Carlo (sMC) methods for a system level design which was implemented at the production scale.
- o Created a Monte Carlo simulation algorithm through Python which predicted the results of a [confidential, non-disclosed] characterization method

2014-2015 M.S. Research (University of Florida):

- o Proposed a model for crosslinked microsphere size from power-law fits through Minitab and published an **article** thereof based on fundamental theory
- o Prepared all publication plots using Python and submitted an **entry** to the 2015 Scipy John Hunter plotting contest

Fall 2014 M.S. Student (University of Florida):

Learned Python and worked on 3 projects which integrated Python to solve problems on statistical mechanics:

- (1) Calculations of a polymer's hydrodynamic radius from random walk theory, making use of probability density functions.
- (2) Simulation of a 2-dimensional Ising Model.
- (3) Calculations of Internal Energy and Pressure from Monte Carlo simulations of a 2-D Lennard-Jones Model.

Publications

- 1: AR Garcia, C Lacko, C Snyder, AC Bohorquez, CE Schmidt, C Rinaldi. (2017) "Processing-size correlations in the preparation of magnetic alginate microspheres through emulsification and ionic crosslinking" *Colloids Surf., A.* 529:119-127
- 2: AR Garcia (2015) "Synthesis of dissolvable magnetic microspheres for tissue scaffold applications (MS Thesis)" *University of Florida*
- **3**: AR Garcia, I Rahn, S Johnson, R Patel, J Guo, J Orbulescu, M Micic, JD Whyte, P Blackwelder, RM Leblanc.(2013) "Human insulin fibril-assisted synthesis of fluorescent gold nanoclusters in alkaline media under physiological temperature" *Colloids Surf.*, *B*. 105:167-172
- **4**: W Liu, S Johnson, M Micic, J Orbulescu, JD Whyte, AR Garcia, RM Leblanc.(2012) "Study of the aggregation of human insulin langmuir monolayer" *Langmuir*. 28(7):3369–3377

Patents and Inventions

2018: Patent: C Rinaldi, CE Schmidt, C Lacko, Z Khaing, AR Garcia "Magnetically templated tissue engineering scaffolds and methods of making and using the magnetically templated tissue engineering scaffolds" **US Patent** *US20180133372A1*, PCT filed May 11, 2016

2016-2017: XEROX TRADE SECRETS: (6 total) Primary author of 5

Certificates

Technical

09/2016: Design for Six Sigma IDOV Green Belt, Xerox

2015–2018: Lean Six Sigma DMAIC Green Belt, 2221-4545, IIE 07/2013: Process Engineering Certificate, University of Florida

First Aid.....

2015–2017: Healthcare Provider, NY15657, American Heart Association 2015–2017: Heartsaver® First Aid, NY15657, American Heart Association