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Career Objectives

Recent Computational Science and Engineering graduate pursuing full-time research or data scientist roles in Machine Learning, Data Science, or Scientific Computing.

Education

Georgia Institute of Technology, M.S. in Computational Science and Engineering *Expected August 2025*

Massachusetts Institute of Technology, B.S. from the Department of Physics *June* 2022

Publications

Ahrens, J., Arienti, M., et al., (2024). The ECP ALPINE project: In Situ and Post Hoc Visualization Infrastructure and Analysis Capabilities for Exascale.

Stewart, A., Terece L. Turton, David Rogers, James P. Ahrens, Soumya Dutta, (2022). Visualizing MFIX-Exa Codes for Chemical Looping Combustion.

Stewart, A., Lo, L.T., Korobkin, O., Sagert, I., Loiseau, J., Lim, H., Kaltenborn, M., Mauney, C., & Miller, J.. (2021). Realistic Kilonova Up Close.

Awards & Leadership

The International Conference for High Performance Computing: Scientific Visualization & Data Analytics Showcase, Finalist (2022).

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Community Service Chair, Boston AO Downtown Ministry (2021-2022).

Musical Director, MIT Asymptones (2019-2021).

Student Research Projects

Multifidelity Modeling of Lagrangian Hydrodynamics Simulation

For a course at the Georgia Institute of Technology (Fall 2023)

https://github.com/astew95/nsm sml

- o Proposed a framework for learning a latent space within multi-fidelity SPH simulations of compact objects.
- O Utilized a multilayer perceptron (MLP) architecture.
- O Collaborated with team members to investigate a learned correction term inside the simulation, a novel approach when compared with current Scientific ML research methods.
- o Produced a technical presentation as part of the Scientific Machine Learning Course Symposium at the Georgia Institute of Technology.

Physics-Informed Gram Matrix for Style Transfer

For a course at the Georgia Institute of Technology (Spring 2024)

https://github.com/astew-95/physical-style-transfer/tree/main

- o Deployed Style Transfer algorithm on novel dataset to extract meaningful patterns from CFD simulation data.
- o Demonstrated proficiency in implementing and understanding Convolutional Neural Networks (CNNs) through extracting and analyzing intermediate features in the Network.
- o Proposed a novel physical interpretation of the Gram Matrix within Scientific Machine Learning applications.

Machine Learning for Drug Discovery of Lipid Nanoparticles

Undergraduate Research at the MIT Anderson Laboratory (Spring 2020)

- Applied machine learning algorithm to SMILES representation data to support the discovery of molecular candidates for the activation of luciferase for LNP (lipid nanoparticles).
- o Conducted data cleaning, cross-validation, and performance evaluation to understand limitations in generalizability.
- o Improved lab-developed PyTorch ML pipeline through evaluating model performance, implementing cross-validation, and enhancing code readability.

Selected Experience

Teaching Assistant – Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, GA

August 2022 - May 2024

- Graduate Teaching Assistant for Undergraduate courses Mathematical Physics and Introductory Physics I.
- Responsible for Grading and Student Evaluation.

Graduate Research in the John Wise Lab

September 2023 – December 2023

- Leveraged The yt Project, a Python-based science toolkit to process and analyze HDF5 simulation data of cosmological particle simulations.
- Managed and processed data at scale through distributed computing practices, utilizing Georgia Tech's distributed HPC clusters.
- Created visualizations of large-scale simulations and conducted data analysis.
- Demonstrated proficiency in Python-based scientific computing and data tools, supporting high-impact research.

Summer Student/Student Developer – Los Alamos National Laboratory, Los Alamos, NM May 2021 – November 2022

- Integrated a many-core capable visualization framework with LANL-developed physics simulation code leveraging git, BASH programming, Spack, python, and C++ API.
- Systematically determined bugs and installation issues of Ascent on Virtual Machines, working closely with developers to understand user-end software outcomes.
- CCS-3 Summer Student Finalist at the Scientific Visualization Showcase for HPC (2021 / 2022)
- Produced visualization of Lagrangian fluid simulations of compact objects using ParaView from LANL developed code. Rendered a realistic image of kilonova ejecta as it would appear for a nearby observer (2021).

<u>Undergraduate Research – MIT Anderson Lab, Cambridge, MA</u>

January 2020 - August 2020

- Applied machine learning algorithm to chemical structure data to support the discovery of molecular candidates for the activation of luciferase for LNP (lipid nanoparticles).
- Conducted data cleaning, cross-validation with over 90% validation error, and performance evaluation to understand limitations in generalizability.
- Improved Lab-developed PyTorch pipeline using Lab-oriented Best-practice Software Principles.

<u>Undergraduate Research – MIT Media Laboratory</u>

January 2020 – June 2020

- Deployed classification models to predict demographic features (race/gender) from fellowship applicant data using PyTorch.
- Engineered a data pipeline from scratch using web-scraping methods to source, clean, preprocess, and standardize over 40,000 fellowship records, including handling incomplete and inconsistent entries.
- Presented results to inform institutional analysis of equity in prestigious fellowship programs.