Bryan T. Weinstein

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Education

• Harvard University

PhD in Applied Physics

Cambridge, MA

Expected May 2018

- Working Thesis Title: Microbial Evolutionary Dynamics and Transport
- Developed over 30 GitHub repositories and wrote thousands of IPython/Jupyter notebooks to analyze experimental data and to create scientific simulations (see my website)
- Applied stochastic, random-walk methods (spatial stochastic differential equations) to model the evolutionary dynamics of growing microbial colonies
- Utilized fluid and solid mechanics to model and simulate colony morphology

• Harvard University

Cambridge, MA

PhD Secondary Field: Computational Science and Engineering (CSE)

Expected May 2018

- Completed four advanced applied math and scientific computing courses
- Learned state-of-the-art computational methods used in scientific research and data science
- Capstone: Wrote proposal and won a \$25,000 student scholarship to develop a GPU-powered Lattice Boltzmann fluid mechanics simulation utilizing OpenGL for real-time visualization

• Harvard University

Cambridge, MA

November 2014

S.M. in Applied Physics

- Completed 12 courses: 4 physics core courses, 4 CSE courses, and 4 soft-matter/biophysics electives
- GPA: 3.95/4.00

• Case Western Reserve University

Cleveland, OH

Bachelor of Science in Engineering, Engineering Physics

May 2012

- GPA: 4.00/4.00, Summa Cum Laude, Valedictorian
- Engineering Concentration: Aerospace Engineering
- Senior Project: Simulating Interactions between Confined Spins and Ferromagnetic Vortices

Fellowships and Awards

• Institute for Applied Computational Science Scholarship Graduate Student Cambridge, MA

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Washington, D.C.

• Department of Energy Office of Science Graduate Fellowship

Graduate Student

September 2012 - September 2015

September 2016 - September 2017

- Wrote proposal to win competitive fellowship supporting students pursuing training in areas relevant to Department of Energy (DOE)
- Selected out of 1,300 applicants; 50 fellowships awarded
- Attended yearly conferences at National Laboratories; presented posters on my active research, networked with other DOE fellows and government officials

• Harvard University Pierce Fellow

Cambridge, MA

Graduate Student

September 2012 - September 2015

- Won fellowship awarded to the highest caliber PhD students accepted into Harvard's School of Engineering and Applied Sciences (SEAS)
- Selected out of 150 students; 8 fellowships awarded

Specialized Skills

Computational

- Significant experience optimizing programs to run on multiple processors, graphics processing units (GPUs), and supercomputers
- Expert knowledge of stochastic and probabilistic methods to solve high-dimensional problems
- Languages for General Scientific Computing:
 - * Python, Cython, OpenCL, CUDA, C, C++, Java, Matlab, Mathematica
- Selected Python Packages and Tools:
 - * IPython/Jupyter notebook, matplotlib, seaborn, numpy scipy, pandas, scikit-image, pymc3, cython, cython_gsl, PyOpenCL, PyCuda
- Fluid Mechanics Simulations:
 - * Lattice Boltzmann Method (custom-built code), OpenFOAM, SALOME, gmsh
- Image Analysis Tools:
 - * ImageJ, Python, OpenCL, OMERO

Analytical

- Expert knowledge of Applied Mathematics, especially partial differential equations and stochastic modeling (the Master equation, Fokker Planck equation, stochastic differential equations, etc.)
- Equilibrium and nonequilibrium statistical physics techniques

• Laboratory

- 4 years of research in an experimental biology laboratory; experienced at designing and conducting experiments
- Significant experience using microscopy to image microbes

Publications

[1] Bryan T. Weinstein, Maxim O. Lavrentovich, et al. "Genetic Drift and Selection in Many-Allelle Range Expansions". Submitted. 2017. URL: http://biorxiv.org/content/early/2017/06/07/145631.

Conferences and Invited Presentations

- [1] Bryan T. Weinstein, Severine Atis, et al. "Experimental Population Dynamics in Fluid Flows". In: Annual Meeting of the International Physics of Living Sytems (iPoLS) Network. Poster Presentation. Harvard University, July 2016.
- [2] Severine Atis, Bryan T. Weinstein, et al. "Experimental Population Dynamics in Fluid Flows". In: American Physical Society, March Meeting. Presentation. New Orleans Morial Convention Center, Mar. 2017.
- [3] Bryan T. Weinstein, Maxim O. Lavrentovich, et al. "Diffusion and Selection in Many-Allele Range Expansions". In: *American Physical Society, March Meeting*. Presentation. New Orleans Morial Convention Center, Mar. 2017.

Certifications

• Engineer in Training (EIT)

Ohio

Active

September 2012

 Successfully passed Fundamentals of Engineering Exam, the first step towards becoming a licensed engineer

Professional Organizations

- Tau Beta Pi Engineering Honor Society
- American Physical Society