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Curriculum vitae

The George Washington University
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#### 1 CURRENT RESEARCH

High-order discontinuous methods – flux reconstruction and spectral difference – for solving the unsteady incompressible and compressible Navier-Stokes equations on moving and deforming unstructured grids. Convergence acceleration with implicit time stepping, *p*-multigrid and high performance parallel computing. Current applications involve secondary flow structures in curved arteries under pulsatile flow conditions.

#### 2 EDUCATION

Present The George Washington University, Washington, DC Ph.D., Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering

2005 Stanford University, Stanford, CA M.S., Aeronautics and Astronautics

2003 Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Troy, NY

B.S., Dual Aeronautical and Mechanical Engineering

## 3 ACADEMIC POSITIONS

2011- The George Washington University, Washington, DC

Graduate Research Assistant

Computational Aerodynamics and Hydrodynamics Laboratory

Biofluid Dynamics Laboratory

Advisers: Chunlei Liang, Michael W. Plesniak

2005-2006 Stanford University, Stanford, CA

Research and Development Engineer Hansen Experimental Physics Laboratory Advisers: Rodney Torii, C.W. Francis Everitt

2003-2005 Stanford University, Stanford, CA, 2003-2005

Graduate Research Assistant

Hansen Experimental Physics Laboratory Advisers: Rodney Torii, C.W. Francis Everitt 2002 Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Troy, NY

Undergraduate Research Assistant

Mechanical and Aeronautical Engineering Fluid Mechanics Laboratory

Adviser: Amir H. Hirsa

#### 4 AWARDS & HONORS

2011-Present, The George Washington University Presidential Merit Fellowship

2015, The George Washington University Graduate Research Theoretical Award, 1st Place

2013, ASME Pressure Vessel and Piping Outstanding Technical Paper for Fluid-Structure Interaction

2003-2005, Stanford University Graduate Federal Research Assistantship Award

1998-2003, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute Donald V. Edwards Endowed Engineering Scholarship

1998-2003, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute Dean's Scholarship

2000, Sigma Gamma Tau National Aerospace Engineering Honor Society

2000, Pi Tau Sigma International Mechanical Engineering Honor Society

## 5 PUBLICATIONS & PRESENTATIONS

#### Refereed Journals

C. Cox, C. Liang and M.W. Plesniak, "A High-order Solver for Unsteady Incompressible Navier-Stokes Equations using the Flux Reconstruction Method on Unstructured Grids with Implicit Dual Time Stepping," *Journal of Computational Physics (under review)*.

C. Liang, C. Cox and M.W. Plesniak, "A Comparison of Computational Efficiencies of Spectral Difference Method and Correction Procedure via Reconstruction," *Journal of Computational Physics*, Vol 239, pp 138-146, April 15, 2013.

## **Refereed Conference Proceedings**

C. Cox, C. Liang and M.W. Plesniak, "A Flux Reconstruction Solver for Unsteady Incompressible Viscous Flow using Artificial Compressibility with Implicit Dual Time Stepping," AIAA SciTech 54<sup>th</sup> Aerospace Sciences Meeting, January 4-8, 2016, San Diego, CA.

C. Cox, C. Liang and M.W. Plesniak, "A High-order Method for Solving Unsteady Incompressible Navier-Stokes Equations with Implicit Time Stepping on Unstructured Grids," AIAA SciTech 53<sup>rd</sup> Aerospace Sciences Meeting, January 5-9, 2015, Kissimmee, FL.

C. Cox, C. Liang and M.W. Plesniak, "Spectral Difference Solution of Incompressible Flow over an Inline Tube Bundle with Oscillating Cylinder," ASME 2012 Pressure Vessels and Piping Conference, July 15-19, 2012, Toronto, ON, Canada.

#### Non-Refereed Abstracts and Presentations

C. Cox, C. Liang and M.W. Plesniak, "A High-order Solver for Unsteady Incompressible Navier-Stokes Equations using the Flux Reconstruction Method," APS Division of Fluid Dynamics 68<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting, November 22-24, 2015, Boston, MA.

- C. Cox, C. Liang and M.W. Plesniak, "Development of a Parallel High-order Solver with Flux Reconstruction for the Incompressible Navier-Stokes Equations," AIAA Young Professional, Student and Education Conference, November 13, 2015, JHU Applied Physics Laboratory, MD.
- C. Cox, C. Liang and M.W. Plesniak, "A Parallel 3D High-order Solver for Unsteady Incompressible Navier-Stokes Equations using Flux Reconstruction on Unstructured Grids," 13<sup>th</sup> U.S. National Congress on Computational Mechanics, July 26-30, 2015, San Diego, CA.
- C. Liang, C. Cox and M.W. Plesniak, "A High-order Compact Spectral Difference Method for Unsteady Incompressible Flow," 5<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Scientific Computing and Partial Differential Equations, December 8-12, 2014, Kowloon Tong, Hong Kong.
- C. Cox, C. Liang and M.W. Plesniak, "A Compact High-order Unstructured Method for Unsteady Incompressible Flow," APS Division of Fluid Dynamics 67<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting, November 23-25, 2014, San Francisco, CA.
- C. Mehls, D. Gill, C. Cox, N. Vora, D. Stricker, E. Berglund, P. Ambekar, R. Torii and S. Wang, "Effect of Surface Roughness on Critical Current of Niobium Films," AIP 24<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Low Temperature Physics, Vol 850, pp 991-992, September 7, 2006.
- C. Mehls, C. Bayart, J. Bower, B. Clarke, C. Cox, D. Gill, D. Stricker, N. Vora, S. Wang, P. Zhou, R. Torii, P. Worden, D. Debra, H. Dittus and F. Loeffler, "STEP Prototype Development Status," The 11<sup>th</sup> Marcel Grossmann Meeting, On Recent Developments in Theoretical and Experimental General Relativity, Gravitation and Relativistic Field Theories, pp 2553-2555, July 23-29, 2006.
- M. Vogel, P. Steen, A. Bhandar, A. Hirsa, C. Cox and C. Matalanis, "Bubbles and Beetles: Applications of Capillary Stability," The 1000 Islands Fluid Mechanics Meeting, May 9-11, 2003, Gannanoque, ON, Canada.
- P. Steen, C. Matalanis, A. Hirsa and C. Cox, "Capillary Micro-Switches," APS Division of Fluid Dynamics 55<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting, November 24-26, 2002, Austin, TX.

## **Posters**

- C. Cox, C. Liang and M.W. Plesniak, "Development of a Parallel 3D High-order Navier-Stokes Solver for Studying Secondary Flow Structures in a Curved Artery Model," The George Washington University Research and Development Competition, February 24, 2016.
- C. Cox, C. Liang and M.W. Plesniak, "Development of a Fast Algorithm for Solving the Unsteady Incompressible Navier-Stokes Equations," The George Washington University Research and Development Competition, February 18-19, 2015.
- C. Cox, C. Liang and M.W. Plesniak, "Development of a High-order Incompressible Flow Solver with Implicit Time Stepping," The George Washington University Research and Development Competition, February 19, 2014.
- C. Cox, C. Liang and M.W. Plesniak, "High-order Numerical Simulations of Incompressible Flow using Correction Procedure via Reconstruction," The George Washington University Research and Development Competition, February 20, 2013.

C. Cox, C. Liang and M.W. Plesniak, "An Implicit Time Marching Scheme for Shock Capturing with MUSCL Reconstruction," The George Washington University Research and Development Competition, February 29, 2012.

#### 6 TEACHING EXPERIENCE

2013-2015 The George Washington University, Washington, DC
Teaching Assistant
Partial Differential Equations (graduate)
Linear Algebra (graduate)
Fluid Mechanics I (undergraduate)

## 7 INDUSTRY POSITIONS

2008-2010 McGowan Investors, Philadelphia, PA Quantitative Research Analyst Equity / Index Volatility

2006-2008 Volare Capital Management, Philadelphia, PA

Quantitative Research Analyst Equity / Index Volatility

2001 Pratt & Whitney – United Technologies Corporation, East Hartford, CT

Design and Project Engineering Co-op

Hollow Fan Blades Department

# **8 AFFILIATIONS**

Member, American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics Member, American Physical Society