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## EDUCATION

Massachusetts Institute of Technology

*Bachelor of Science in Physics with a minor in Mechanical Engineering*

Cambridge, MA

Sept 2006 - June 2010

University of Michigan

*Ph.D. Candidate in Physics*

*Masters in Applied and Interdisciplinary Mathematics*

*Graduate Certificate in Complex Systems*

Ann Arbor, MI

Sept. 2012 – Present

Sept. 2012 – December 2014

Jan 2016 – Present

Advisor: Charles Doering (Prof. of Complex Systems, Mathematics, and Physics)

Highlighted Graduate Coursework: Machine Learning, Computer Modeling in Complex Systems, Numerical Methods for Differential Equations, Numerical Linear Algebra, Stochastic Processes, Dynamical Systems and Chaos, Functional Analysis, Complex Analysis, Asymptotic Analysis, Statistical Mechanics, Complex Adaptive Systems, Fractals and Percolation, Mathematical Fluid Mechanics, Quantum Field Theory, Measure Theory, Quantum Mechanics I/II, Electromagnetism

*Certificates from online education:*

Santa Fe Institute's Introduction to Complexity MOOC

Summer 2015

## ACADEMIC RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

MIT Plasma Science and Fusion Center

*Undergraduate Researcher*

Cambridge, MA

Spring, Summer 2008

General Atomics – Fusion Group

*Princeton Plasma Physics Laboratory's National Undergraduate Fellowship in Plasma Fusion*

*Experimental Research Intern*

San Diego, CA

Summer 2009

Nucleation in acoustic droplet vaporization

*Graduate Student Research Assistant*

Principal Investigators: Charles Doering, Oliver Kripfgans (Radiology)

Ann Arbor, MI

Spring 2013-July 2016

Clusters, confinement, and collisions in active soft matter

*Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution – Geophysical Fluid Dynamics Summer Program*

*Research Fellow*

Principal Investigators: Michael J. Shelley (NYU, Courant) and Saverio E. Spagnolie (UW-Madison)

Woods Hole, MA

Summer 2016

Optimal control of fluid mixing (Thesis Project)

*Graduate Student Research Assistant*

Principal Investigators: Charles Doering

Ann Arbor, MI

Summer 2013-Present

## INDUSTRY RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Continental Tires R&D – Pattern, Contour, and Layout

*Mechanical Engineer / Intern*

Hanover, Germany

Fall 2010 – Winter 2011

On-Ramp Wireless

*Communications Physical Layer Systems Engineer / Intern*

San Diego, CA

Summer 2011-Fall 2011

## DATA SCIENCE AND MACHINE LEARNING EXPERIENCE

Michigan Datathon hosted by Citadel and Correlation One - *Participant* November 2017

- Selected to participate based on a challenging selective assessment test
- Competed in intensive 7-hour competition with 22 four-person teams.

Santa Fe Institute's Complexity Challenge (pilot) - *Participant* September 2017

- Used a multi-agent reinforcement learning approach to address the research challenge problem

## UNIVERSITY SERVICE

Complex Systems Advanced Academic Workshop – Co-organizer 2015-2017

Faculty Advisor: Rick Riolo

- Organize biweekly meetings for graduate student talks, journal discussions, and tutorials
- Organized *Introduction to Agent-Based Modeling* short course taught by Bill Rand (July 2015)
- Organized *Complex Systems Research Hackathon* (September 2016)
- Organized *Evolutionary Game Theory short course* (July 2017)

## TEACHING AND GRADING EXPERIENCE

Introduction to Mechanics: Lab. Course - *Graduate Student Instructor* Ann Arbor, MI Fall 2013-Fall 2014

Electromagnetism II - *Grader* Ann Arbor, MI, Spring 2015

Evolutionary Game Theory - *Grader* Ann Arbor, MI, Fall 2016

Electromagnetism (Honors) – *Graduate Student Instructor* Ann Arbor, MI, Winter 2017

## AWARDS AND FELLOWSHIPS

National Undergraduate Fellowship in Plasma Science and Fusion Technology Summer 2009

University of Michigan's Rackham Merit Fellowship June 2012-Present

Woods Hole Oceanographic Institute's Geophysical Fluid Dynamics Fellowship Summer 2016

## WORKSHOPS AND CONFERENCES

Control theory short course – University of Minnesota, Twin Cities Minneapolis, MN, June 2014

Turbulent transport and mixing workshop - IPAM, UCLA Los Angeles, CA, October 2014

APS Meeting – Division of Fluid Dynamics Boston, MA, November 2015

Extreme events and criticality in fluid mechanics - The Fields Institute, U. of Toronto Toronto, ON, January 2016

Challenges in non-equilibrium statistical physics and fluid dynamics - BYU Provo, UT, May 2016

Genetic programming: theory and practice Ann Arbor, MI, May 2016

APS Meeting – Division of Fluid Dynamics Portland, OR, November 2016

Turbulent dissipation, mixing, and predictability workshop - IPAM, UCLA Los Angeles, CA, January 2017

Santa Fe Institute's Complex Systems Summer School Santa Fe, NM, June 2017

## PRESENTATIONS

Optimal fluid mixing (Complex Systems Adv. Academic Workshop (CSAAW), Ann Arbor, MI) 2014

Optimization tutorial and fluid mixing (CSAAW, Ann Arbor, MI) 2015

A shell model for optimal fluid mixing (Applied Math Student Seminar, Ann Arbor, MI) 2015

Optimal control of a shell model for mixing (APS Meeting – Division of Fluid Dynamics, Boston, MA) 2015

A shell model for optimal fluid mixing (IOE Student Seminar, Ann Arbor, MI) 2015

Clusters, confinement, and collisions in active soft matter (CSAAW, Ann Arbor, MI) 2016

Clusters, confinement, and collisions in active soft matter (Applied Math Student Seminar, Ann Arbor, MI) 2016

Nucleation pressure threshold in acoustic droplet vaporization (APS–Div. of Fluid Dynamics, Portland, OR) 2016

## PUBLICATIONS

1. L. Bromberg, P. C. Michael, J. V. Minervini, C. J. Miles, Current lead optimization of cryogenic operation at intermediate temperature in *Transactions of the cryogenic engineering conference*, AIP Conference Proceedings **1218**, 577, 2010
2. L. Bromberg, P. C. Michael, J. V. Minervini, C. J. Miles, Coolant topology options for high temperature superconducting transmission and distribution systems, in *Transactions of the cryogenic engineering conference*, AIP Conference Proceedings **1218**, 871, 2010
3. C. J. Miles, C. R. Doering, O. D. Kripfgans, Nucleation pressure threshold in acoustic droplet vaporization, *Journal of Applied Physics* **120**, 034903, 2016
4. C. J. Miles, C. R. Doering, A shell model for optimal mixing, *Journal of Nonlinear Science*, 2017
5. C. J. Miles, C. R. Doering, Diffusion-limited mixing by incompressible flows, (submitted to *Nonlinearity*)
6. C. J. Miles, Michael J. Shelley, and Saverio E. Spagnolie, Unstable invasion of active matter into a fluid, To appear in *WHOI GFD 2016 Proceedings* and in preparation for submission to *Physical Review Fluids*