David Mis

PhD Student

Education

Rice University

PhD, Computational and Applied Mathematics 2021-present, Houston, TX, USA Advised by Dr. Maarten de Hoop

University of Texas

MS, Computer Science 2019–2021, Austin, TX, USA

University of Texas

BS, Computer Science
BS, Mathematics
BA, Economics and Chinese Language
2009–2014, Austin, TX, USA

Publications

Conference papers

Semialgebraic Neural Networks: From roots to representations SD Mis, M Lassas, MV de Hoop International Conference on Learned Representations (ICLR) 2025 May 2025, Singapore [pdf] [arxiv] [conference]

Journal papers

Reduced mRNA secondary-structure stability near the start codon indicates functional genes in prokaryotes

TE Keller, SD Mis, KE Jia, CO Wilke Genome Biology and Evolution, Volume 4, Issue 2, 2012, Pages 80–88 [pdf] [link]

Talks

Measure flows in Bayes Hilbert spaces: Diffeomorphism invariance, optimal control, and flocking

 $\frac{\mathrm{SD\ Mis}}{\mathrm{Geo\text{-}Mathematical\ Imaging\ Group\ Partners\ Meeting}}$ September 2025, Rice University

Diffeomorphism invariant measure flows in Bayes Hilbert spaces

 $\frac{\mathrm{SD\ Mis}}{Applied\ Inverse\ Problems\ (AIP)}$ 2025 July 2025, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

Semialgebraic Neural Networks: From roots to representations

 $\underline{\text{SD Mis}}$, M Lassas, MV de Hoop $\overline{Inverse}$ Days December 2024, Oulu, Finland

Semialgebraic Neural Networks

Geo-Mathematical Imaging Group Partners Meeting November 2024, Rice University

Matrix-Recurrent and Semialgebraic Neural Networks

Geo-Mathematical Imaging Group Partners Meeting May 2023, Rice University

Professional Experience

Teaching

Rice University

Grader / Teaching Assistant 2021-present, Houston, TX Grader:

Differential Equations for Science and Engineering

Partial Differential Equations I Applied Functional Analysis Numerical Analysis Graduate Teaching Assistant: Matrix Analysis

The Art of Problem Solving

Grader / Teaching Assistant 2020–2021, Virtual Various high school mathematics courses.

University of Texas

Undergraduate Teaching Assistant 2011–2012, Austin, TX Courses: Computational Biology Statistics for Biologists

Research

Rice University

PhD Research Assistant 2022—present, Houston, TX Geo-Mathematical Imaging Group (GMIG).

University of Texas

Undergraduate Research Assistant2010–2012, Austin, TXLab of Dr. Clause O. Wilke, Professor of Integrative Biology.

Software Development

David Mis Software LLC

Software Developer 2018–2021, Houston, TX Independent software consultant.

Unaliwear

Cloud Engineer

2015–2018, Austin, TX Principal architect of AWS infrastructure for consumer IOT device.

Hewlett Packard

Software Developer 2014–2015, Austin, TX Enterprise software development.

Mentorship

Rice Data2Knowledge Capstone Project Mentor NASA Orbital Transfer Project Spring 2025