

Denis Mulumba

Resume

Education

2022 - present **Computing Ph.D. with emphasis in Computational Mathematics, Science and Engineering**, *Boise State University*, Boise, Idaho.

Ph.D. Research

Topic one: **A three dimensional Immersed interface method for solving the Generalized Poisson equation.**

Topic two: **Tailoring Surface Topology Maps for Enhanced Catalysis Simulations .**

Topic three: **Transition Metal Dichalcogenides with Double Vacancies as Catalysts for Efficient CO_2 Reduction to Methanol.**

2020 - 2021 **Masters' in Mathematical Sciences**, *African Institute for Mathematical Sciences*, Remera, Rwanda.

Masters' Project

Title: **The pseudo heat equation as an estimate of the convolution integral.**

2015 - 2019 **Bachelors of Science with Education in Physics and Mathematics**, *Makerere University*, Kampala, Uganda.

Work Experience

Aug. 2022 – Present **Computing Ph.D. Researcher in Applied Mathematics and Materials Science, Boise State University, Boise, Idaho, USA.**

Conducting interdisciplinary research at the intersection of numerical methods and computational materials science, with a focus on solving partial differential equations and modeling catalytic processes for CO_2 reduction.

- Developed high-accuracy solvers for elliptic PDEs on irregular domains using the Immersed Interface Method (IIM).
- Designed 3D numerical schemes for anisotropic jump conditions using spherical harmonics and radial basis function (RBF) interpolation.
- Simulated catalytic surfaces and reaction pathways for CO_2 conversion to methanol using density functional theory (DFT) and machine learning models.
- Analyzed catalyst stability, reaction energetics, and selectivity using Python-based computational chemistry tools.
- Integrated HPC workflows for large-scale simulations across math and material science domains.
- Presented research findings at national conferences and contributed to peer-reviewed publications.
- Mentored undergraduate researchers in applied math, numerical simulation, and computational chemistry.

Oct. 2021 – **VoxCroft Analytics Technology, Information and Internet, South Africa.**

Feb 2022 Collecting language related data and quality assurance

July 2017. - **High school Mathematics and Physics teacher, Universal High school Kisaasi,**
Mar. 2020 *Kampala, Uganda.*
Teacher of math and physics, Assistant director of studies

Certifications, Achievements and Awards

April 2025 CASCADE Rain travel award 2025
Aug. 2024 Best Oral Presenter at the symposium "Accelerating Catalytic Advancements Through the Precision of High-Throughput Experiments and Calculations" at the ACSFALL 2024 conference
2022 Events manager for Society for Industrial and Applied Mathematics Boise State Chapter.
2020 - 2021 MasterCard Foundation Scholarship awarded a fully funded Scholarship to study at African Institute for Mathematical Sciences (AIMS).
2018 Bachelors of Science with education in Physics and math

Relevant Skills

OS Windows, Linux, macOS
Softwares Microsoft Office, LibreOffice, Tensorflow, Pytorch \LaTeX
Programming Python, R, MatLab, C

Publications

April 2025 da Silva, T. H., Lu, J., Cortright, Z., Mulumba, D., Khan, M. S., and Andreussi, O. (2025). Automating the Analysis of Substrate Reactivity through Environment Interaction Mapping. Journal of Chemical Information and Modeling.

Languages

Luganda Fluent (mother tongue)
English Fluent

References

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