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- **Research scientist** specializing in exploration geophysics & optimization methods.
- Algorithm development of novel imaging techniques using **full-waveform inversion** of radar and DC resistivity data.
- From numerical discretization of Maxwell's equations to **joint non-linear optimization**.
- Development of a memory and time **efficient** DC resistivity forward and inverse model.
- Development of **deep learning** methods for subsurface exploration.
- **Field data experience** in shallow seismic, geo-radar, and DC resistivity exploration methods. Survey design, data acquisition, and subsurface parameter estimation.
- Programming experience in Matlab, Python, TensorFlow, PyTorch, Julia, Bash, C & **scientific, parallel and cloud computing**.
- Application and development of **iterative image processing** techniques.
- Knowledge in applying **combinatoric optimization** methods.

## Experience

### Colorado School of Mines (CSM)

Post-doctoral Researcher

- Coupling machine learning and physics-based exploration methods
- Field data joint inversion of electromagnetic methods

### Boise State University (BSU)

Ph.D. Geophysics

Dissertation: *Joint inversion using electromagnetic waves and steady currents*

### Michigan Technological University (MTU)

MSc. Discrete Mathematics

Dissertation: *Maximal arcs, above and beyond*

## Professional Activities

**Colorado School of Mines.** 2019 - present.

*Postdoctoral Researcher*

- Enhancing geo-radar imaging techniques with machine learning and full-waveform inversion.
- Member of the research groups,
  - Center for Wave Phenomena (CWP)
  - Center for Gravity, Electrical and Magnetic Studies Methods (CGEM)

**Boise State University.** 2015 - 2019.

*Research Assistant*

- National Science Foundation (NSF) fully funded project for the development of a joint inversion algorithm using *ground penetrating radar* (GPR) and *electrical resistivity* (ER) data for imaging electrical properties in the Earth's subsurface.
- This grant was given to the *Applied Mathematics Department* for joint collaboration with the *Geophysics Department* at Boise State University.

*Teaching Assistant*

- Statistical Methods for Geoscience (Graduate)
- Geophysical Methods (Graduate/Undergraduate)
- Geophysical Instrumentation (Graduate/Undergraduate)
- Natural Disasters: A Geoscience Perspective on Natural Hazards, Climate Change, and Society (Undergraduate)

**TU-Delft.** 2018.

*Visiting Scholar*

- Academic visit to TU-Delft under the supervision of Evert Slob and Dominique Ngan-Tillard.

**Michigan Technological University.** 2012 - 2014.

*Research Assistant*

- Understanding finite fields and embedded mathematical structures.
- A step forward in understanding prime numbers.

*Teaching Assistant*

- Calculus I (Undergraduate)
- Calculus III (Undergraduate)
- Calculus IV (Undergraduate)

## Publications

*Efficient inversion of 2.5D electrical resistivity data using the discrete adjoint method.* Geophysics - In press 2021. Diego Domenzain, John Bradford, Jodi Mead.

*Joint inversion of full-waveform inversion GPR and ER data. Part 1.* Geophysics 85, no.6 (2020): 1-72. Diego Domenzain, John Bradford, Jodi Mead.

*Joint inversion of full-waveform inversion GPR and ER data. Part 2.* Geophysics 85, no.6 (2020): 1-74. Diego Domenzain, John Bradford, Jodi Mead.

## Conferences & Proceedings

**Diego Domenzain, John Bradford, Jodi Mead.** *Inversion of 2.5D electrical resistivity data using the discrete adjoint method.* SEG 2020 Fall meeting.

**Diego Domenzain, John Bradford, Jodi Mead.** *Joint inversion of full-waveform GPR and ER data enhanced by the envelope transform and cross-gradients.* GPR 2020 biannual meeting (postponed for 2022 because of COVID-19).

**John Bradford, AR Mangel, D Domenzain.** *Reverse-Time Migration and Full-Waveform Inversion of Surface Ground-Penetrating Radar Data.* AGU Fall meeting 2018.

**Diego Domenzain, John Bradford, Jodi Mead.** *Joint inversion of GPR and ER data using the adjoint method.* AGU Fall meeting 2018.

**Diego Domenzain, John Bradford, Jodi Mead.** *Joint inversion of GPR and ER data.* SEG Technical Program Expanded Abstracts 2018: pp. 4763-4767. SEG Fall meeting 2018.

**Diego Domenzain, John Bradford, Jodi Mead.** *Imaging by joint inversion of electromagnetic waves and DC currents.* SIAM-Geosciences meeting 2017.

**Diego Domenzain, John Bradford, Jodi Mead.** *Imaging by joint inversion of electromagnetic waves and DC currents.* SAGEEP 2017.

**Diego Domenzain, John Bradford, Jodi Mead.** *Forward modeling of ground penetrating radar (GPR) and electric resistivity tomography (ERT) using finite difference time domain and finite volume methods, first steps for a joint inversion.* AGU Fall meeting 2016.

## Attended Workshops

**Image Reconstruction from Millimeters to the Globe.** Summer 2018. Lorentz Center, Leiden University, NL.

**17th International Conference on Ground Penetrating Radar.** Summer 2018. Rapperswil, Switzerland.

**Inverse problems.** Summer 2016. Colorado State University, USA.

**Computational and Analytical Aspects of Image Reconstruction.** Summer 2015. ICERM, Brown University, USA.

## Scholarships

**Teaching assistantship.** Boise State University. Teaching assistant for graduate course of Statistical Methods covering tuition and stipend.

**Research assistantship.** Boise State University. Graduate research assistant for the Applied Mathematics NSF funded project DMS-1418714 covering tuition and stipend.

**Research assistantship.** Boise State University. Graduate research assistant for the Applied Mathematics NSF funded project DMS-1720472 covering tuition and stipend.

**Teaching assistantship.** Michigan Tech. Teaching assistant for undergraduate course of Calculus I-IV covering tuition and stipend.

## Leadership

**NOSOTROS-MTU.** President of the student organization NOSOTROS at MTU.

- Organized schedule and budget on an entire year of activities, mostly camping around the Keweenaw.

**SEG-BSU Student Chapter.** President.

- Directed Python and Git coding workshop.
- Lead geophysics field survey at the old Idaho Penitentiary cemetery. We found some dead bodies there.

## Outreach

**Climate change communicator.** BSU lead in educational project between SEG Student Chapters at BSU and TU-Delft informing younger generations about climate change challenges and the use of geophysics to solve them.

**Didactic inventor.** Design of new activities for teaching high mathematical subjects to elementary school children at the Museum of Science in the university's campus.