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Education

Georgia Institute of Technology
Atlanta, GA, USA

Ph.D. in Physics
Aug. 2012 – Jun 2017

- adviser: Prof. Predrag Cvitanović
- Research area : nonlinear dynamics, cycle expansion theory, bifurcation theory, complex Ginzburg-Landau equation

Georgia Institute of Technology
Atlanta, GA, USA

M.S. in Computer Science & Engineering
Jan.2016 – Jun. 2016

- Interested area : High Performance Computing(**HPC**), Machine Learning (**ML**)
- GPA: 3.86/4.0

Skills

Programming :	**Proficient :** C/C++, Python, Matlab; **Familiar :** Java, Fortran
Tools :	Bash, Perl, Unix: Sed & Awk, Latex
Libraries :	CUDA, Cilk, Boost.Python, Eigen, LAPACK, ARPACK, OpenMP, OpenMPI, FFTW, HDF5
Web :	Django with Python, CSS, HTML

Professional Experience

Online course : Geometry of chaos
www.chaosbook.org/course1

Role : Web developer & Teaching Assistant
2015 Spring

- Design and implement online autograder & Design Homework for 16 weeks and answer questions on Piazza forum
- **main goal :** Auto grade studensts' online submissions and email back their grades. Also, it provides a straightforward interface for the customer (the course instructor) to view the grades online.
- **Framework :** Django in Python, deployed in Heroku   **Repository :** https://github.com/dingxiong/phys7224

Center for Nonlinear Science, Georgia Institute of Technology
Atlanta, GA, USA

Role : Research Assistant   Adviser : Prof. Predrag Cvitanović

Research topic : *Computation of Floquet vectors in Kuramoto-Sivashinsky system*
2013 – 2014

- **Main result:** The Floquet multipliers of Periodic orbits in high dimensional system usually spans a large orders of magnitudes. The periodic eigendecomposition is the right tool to obtain Floquet spectrum and vectors to high accuracy. See paper[2] for more detail.

Research topic : *Investigation of the local dimension of inertial manifolds in chaotic systems*
2014 – 2015

- **Main result:** By studying the shadowing cases of periodic orbits in Kuramoto-Sivashinsky system, we show strong evidence that the inertial manifold has dimension 8. see paper [1] for more details.

Research topic : *Symbolic dynamics in symmetry reduced 1-d Kuramoto-Sivashinsky system*
2015 – Present

- In the symmetry reduced state space, the attractor of 1-d Kuramoto-Sivashinsky system is low dimensional. By constructing appropriate Poincaré section, we propose to obtain the symbolic dynamics.

School of Mathematics, Georgia Tech
Atlanta, GA, USA

Role : Cooperation with Prof. Sung Ha Kang from Math department

Research topic : *Integration of soliton explosion with local error control in cubic quintic Ginzburg-Landau system*
Sprint 2016

- **Main result:** Study the performance of exponential integrator in Ginzburg-Landau system, and add time step control into a few popular exponential integrators. See paper [3].

Selected CS Course Projects

Course project: Gatech CS6491 Computer Graphics
Atlanta, GA, USA

Project : Triangular Mesh
Fall 2015
- **main goal :** Represent a triangular mesh by **CSX** table, and implement navigating methods on the mesh, such as swing, opposite, left, right and so on. Also 4 interesting problems are defined and solved: **geodesic path**, **Gaussian decay swirl**, **lasso deletion** and **mesh cut**.
- **Toolbox :** Processing **Repository :** https://github.com/dingxiong/triangularMesh **Demo :** https://youtu.be/mWe0YO1bbZ4

Course project: Gatech CS6210 Advanced Operating System
Atlanta, GA, USA

Project : RPC-Based Proxy Server
Spring 2015
- **main goal :** Build a proxy server by remote procedure call(**RPC**) and test the performance of four different cache polices : no cache, Least Recent Used (LUR), random, and First in First out (FIFO). RPC framework is provided by **Apache Thrift** library.
- **Language :** C++ **Repository :** https://github.com/dingxiong/CS6210Project3

Course project: Gatech CS6290 High Performance Computer Architecture
Atlanta, GA, USA

Project : Cache Design for Four Different Traces
Summer 2014
- **main goal :** Design and implement a parametric cache simulator and use it to design data caches well suited to the SPEC benchmarks. Variables include 2^C bytes of cache size, 2^S blocks with each block 2^{C-S} bytes, storage policies (ST) and replacement policies (R).
- **Language :** C++ **Repository :** https://github.com/dingxiong/cacheDesign

Course project: Gatech CSE6230 High Performance Computing : Tools and Applications
Atlanta, GA, USA

Project : CPU and GPU optimization in finding initial condition for Kuramoto Sivashinsky equation
Fall 2013
- **main goal :** CPU and GPU optimization is deployed to find relative good initial conditions for Kuramoto-Sivashinsky equation.
- **result :** Our result shows that the **icc & Cilk** approach has the best performance of all multi CPU implementation, and the GPU implementation has better performance if register usage is considered.
- **Language :** C **Tools :** gcc, icc, OpenMP, Cilk, CUDA, SIMD(SSE2, SSE4)
- **Repository :** https://bitbucket.org/dingxiong/project

Conferences & Talks

SIAM Conference on Application of Dynamical Systems
Snowbird, Utah, USA

Talk : Periodic Eigendecomposition and Its Application in Nonlinear Dynamics
May 2015
- Coauthor: Prof. P. Cvitanović

Dynamics Days US
Atlanta, GA, USA

Poster : Lyapunov exponents, Floquet exponents and covariant vectors in Kuramoto-Sivashinsky equation
Jan. 2014
- Coauthor: Prof. P. Cvitanović

Publications

[1] **X.Ding**, H. Chaté, P. Cvitanoviˊc, E. Siminos, and K. A. Takeuchi , *Estimating the dimension of an inertial manifold from unstable periodic orbits* , Phys. Rev. Lett. 117, 024101 (2016)

[2] **X. Ding** and P. Cvitanović , *Periodic Eigendecomposition and its application in Kuramoto-Sivashinsky system* , SIAM J. Appl. Dyn. Syst. 15, 1434–1454 (2016)

[3] **X. Ding** and S. H. Kang , *Integration of a cubic-quintic complex Ginzburg–Landau exploding soliton* , In preparation (2016)

[4] **X. Ding** and P. Cvitanović , *Periodic orbit explosion and its symmetry reduced state space visualization* , In preparation (2016)

[5] **X. Ding** and P. Cvitanović , *Symbolic dynamics and analysis of Kuramoto-Sivashinsky attractor* , In preparation (2016)