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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: cycle expansion theory in nonlinear dynamics and soliton explosion in cubic quintic Ginzburg-Landau equation

#### **Georgia Institute of Technology**

Atlanta, GA, USA

Jan.2016 – Jun. 2016

M.S. in Computer Science & Engineering

• Interested area: High Performance Computing

• GPA: 3.86/4.0

# Skills

**Programming:** Proficient: C/C++, Python, Matlab; Familiar: Java, Fortran

**Tools:** Bash, Perl, Awk, Latex

Libraries: Boost.Python, Eigen, LAPACK, ARPACK, OpenMPI, FFTW, HDF5

Web: Diango with Python, CSS, HTML

# Employment & Teaching Experience \_\_\_\_\_

# Center for Nonlinear Science, School of Physics, Georgia Institute of Technology

Atlanta, GA, USA

Research Assistant

2013 - Present

- Apply cycle expansion theory into high dimensional nonlinear dispative dynamical systems.
- Numerical algorithm to calculate Floquet vectors with high accuracy.
- Soliton explosion in cubic quintic Ginzburg-Landau equation.

### Center for Nonlinear Science, School of Physics, Georgia Institute of Technology

Atlanta, GA, USA

**Teaching Assistant** 

• Guide undergraduate students in physical experiments.

www.chaosbook.org/course1

2015 Spring

2012 - 2013

- Online course: Geometry of chaos **Teaching Assistant**
- Design Homework for 16 weeks and answer questions on Piazza forum.
- Design and implement online autograder.

# Projects \_\_\_\_\_

### **COMPUTER SCIENCE RELATED**

# **Online course: Geometry of Chaos**

Atlanta, GA, USA

Project: Online autograder

Sprint 2015

- 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

### **Course project: Gatech CS6491 Computer Graphics**

Atlanta, GA, USA

**Project:** Triangular Mesh

- 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/mWe0Y01bbZ4

### 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

### PHYSICS RELATED

#### Center for Nonlinear Science, School of Physics, Georgia Tech

Atlanta, GA, USA

**Project:** 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.

#### Center for Nonlinear Science, School of Physics, Georgia Tech

Atlanta, GA, USA

**Project:** 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.

### Center for Nonlinear Science, School of Physics, Georgia Tech

Atlanta, GA, USA

**Project:** 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.

#### MATHEMATICS RELATED

#### School of Mathematics, Georgia Tech

Atlanta, GA, USA

Project: Integration of soliton explosion with local error control in cubic quintic Ginzburg-Landau system

Sprint 2016

- Adviser: Prof. Sung Ha Kang
- Main result: add time step control into a few popular exponential integrators. See paper [3].

## 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. Cvitanovi´c, 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)