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Education

Aug. 2019 - Aug. 2022	PhD Applied Mathematics	University of Colorado Boulder (UCB)
Aug. 2017 - July 2019	MS Applied Mathematics	Simon Fraser University (SFU)
Sept. 2011 - May 2015	BS Mathematics, BA Physics	University of Puget Sound (UPS)

Research Experience

08/2023 - (current)	Research Assoc. , Applied Math, UCB; Bortz lab
08/2022 - 08/2023	Postdoc Research Assoc. , Applied Math, UCB; Bortz lab
08/2020 - 08/2022	Research Assistant , Applied Math, UCB; Advisor: Dr. Bortz
Summers 2018, 2019	Research Assistant , Math, SFU; Advisors: R. Fetecau, R. Wittenberg
Summer 2014	Research Intern , Pacific Northwest National Lab (PNNL)

Publications (citation counts from Google Scholar as of Nov. 1st, 2023)

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- (5 citations)
- 1. (2 citations)
- 2. (7 citations)
- 3. (7 citations)
- 4. (17 citations)
- 5. (5 citations)
- 6. (89 citations)
- 7. (59 citations)
- 8. (8 citations)

Awards & Scholarships

2023	10th Heidelberg Laureate Forum Young Researcher	HLFF
2022	Graduate Student Travel Award (MDS22)	SIAM
2019	Special Entrance Scholarship	UCB
2019	MSc Thesis Certificate with Distinction	SFU
2018	Best Poster Award	SFU Summer Symposium
2018	Graduate Fellowship	SFU
2017	Special Entrance Scholarship	SFU

Press

- [1] “Researchers strive to help models learn from ‘noisy’ data”. Oct. 23, 2023. University of Colorado Boulder Arts & Sciences Magazine. <https://www.colorado.edu/asmagazine/2023/10/23/researchers-strive-help-models-learn-noisy-data>.
- [2] “APPM Research Associate Daniel Messenger selected for Heidelberg Laureate Forum”, Patrick McCreery, July 24, 2023. Applied Mathematics News, CU Boulder. <https://www.colorado.edu/amath/2023/07/24/appm-research-associate-daniel-messenger-selected-heidelberg-laureate-forum>.
- [3] “New study shows how to learn the equations of cell migration”, Daniel Strain. Oct 26, 2022. CU Boulder Today. <https://www.colorado.edu/today/2022/10/26/new-study-shows-how-learn-equations-cell-migration>.
- [4] “CU Boulder joins national effort to advance nuclear fusion research”. Oct 19, 2022. University of Colorado Boulder Arts & Sciences Magazine. <https://www.colorado.edu/asmagazine/2022/10/19/cu-boulder-joins-national-effort-advance-nuclear-fusion-research>.

Presentations

- [1] (Invited) **Weak-form equation learning using WSINDy**. Presentation for T-5 Group, Theoretical Division, Los Alamos National Laboratory, NM. Sept. 1st, 2023.
- [2] (Invited) **Weak Form Equation Learning for Interacting Particle System Models of Collective Motion**. ICIAM 2023, Tokyo. Aug. 23, 2023.
- [3] (Invited) **Recovery guarantees and statistical efficiency in weak-form system identification**. Center for Stochastic Dynamics Summer Seminar, Illinois Institute of Technology, July 26, 2023.
- [4] (Invited) **Weak-Form Equation Learning for Interacting Particle System Models of Collective Motion**. SIAM Dynamical Systems 2023, Portland, OR. May 17, 2023.
- [5] (Invited) **A Crash Course in Differential Geometry, Hamiltonian Systems, and Adiabatic Invariants in the Context of Data-Driven Modeling**. SIAM Graduate Student Chapter Seminar, University of Colorado, Boulder, CO. April 20, 2023.
- [6] (Invited) **Towards recovery guarantees and statistical efficiency in weak-form system identification**. Computational Mathematics Seminar, University of Colorado, Boulder, CO. April 17, 2023.
- [7] (Contributed) **Weak-form System Identification: Computational Efficiency and Applications to MHD**. SIAM CSE23, Amsterdam, NL. Mar. 1st, 2023.
- [8] (Invited) **Weak-Form Sparse Identification of Models for Cell Biology at Single-Cell and Population Level Descriptions**. Joint Mathematics Meetings, Boston, MA. Jan. 6, 2023.
- [9] (Invited) **Weak-form sparse identification of differential equations from noisy measurements**. SFU Applied and Computational Math Seminar, Burnaby, BC. Oct. 7, 2022.
- [10] (Invited) **Using WSINDy to Learn Anisotropic Interaction Rules from Individual Trajectories in a Heterogeneous Cellular Population**. SIAM Conference on Mathematics of Data Science (MDS22), San Diego, CA. Sept. 28, 2022.
- [11] (Contributed) **Online Weak-form Sparse Identification of Partial Differential Equations**. Mathematical and Scientific Machine Learning 2022 (MSML2022), Beijing, China. Aug. 16, 2022.

- [12] (Invited) **Data-Driven Model Selection using Weak SINDy**. T-5 Reading Group, Theoretical Division, Los Alamos National Laboratory, NM. Aug. 6, 2021.
- [13] (Invited) **Data-Driven Model Selection using Weak SINDy**. APPM Recruitment Symposium, University of Colorado, Boulder, CO. March 5, 2021.
- [14] (Invited) **Data-Driven Model Selection using Weak SINDy**. Mathematical Biology Seminar, University of Colorado, Boulder, CO. Sept. 21, 2020.
- [15] (Contributed) **Aggregation-Diffusion Phenomena in Domains with Boundaries**. SIAM Front Range Student Conference, University of Colorado, Denver, CO. March 7, 2020.
- [16] (Invited) **Aggregation-Diffusion Phenomena in Domains with Boundaries**. Mathematical Biology Seminar, University of Colorado, Boulder, CO. Dec. 10, 2019.
- [17] (Contributed) **Aggregation-Diffusion Phenomena in Domains with Boundaries**. Canadian Applied and Industrial Mathematics Society (CAIMS), Annual Meeting, Whistler, BC. June 10, 2019.
- [18] (Invited) **Self-Organization in Domains with Boundaries**. Math Graduate Seminar, Simon Fraser University, Burnaby, BC. July 12, 2018.
- [19] (Invited) **Normal and Enhanced Vibrational Spectroscopy**. Fall Physics Research Symposium, University of Puget Sound, Tacoma, WA. Oct. 17, 2014.
- [20] (Invited) **Normal and Enhanced Vibrational Spectroscopy**. Summer Intern Research Symposium, Pacific Northwest National Laboratory, Richland, WA. July 28, 2014.

Posters

- [1] (Invited) **Data-Driven Model Selection using Weak SINDy**. Inaugural Workshop: AI for Dynamic Systems, University of Washington, Seattle, WA. March. 16, 2022.
- [2] (Invited) **Data-Driven Model Selection using Weak SINDy**. APPM Recruitment Symposium, University of Colorado, Boulder, CO. March. 11, 2022.
- [3] (Contributed) **Weak SINDy: Galerkin-Based Data-Driven Model Selection**. SAMM 2020, Max Planck Institute for Dynamics of Complex Systems, Magdeburg, GE. July 27, 2020.
- [4] (Contributed) **Interacting Particle Systems: Numerics for the Zero-Diffusion Limit**. Canadian Mathematical Society (CAS), Winter Meeting, Vancouver, BC. Dec. 7, 2018.
- [5] (Contributed) **Random Interacting Particle Systems: Numerics for the Zero-Diffusion Limit**. SFU Symposium on Mathematics and Computation, Burnaby, BC. Aug. 14, 2018.
- [6] (Contributed) **Normal and Enhanced Vibrational Spectroscopy**. Fall Research Poster Session, University of Puget Sound, Tacoma, WA. Sept. 11, 2014.

Workshops

- [1] **Weak-form system identification and parameter estimation.** Workshop organized by N. Mangan, virtual, Aug. 8, 2023.
- [2] **WENDy tutorial in MATLAB.** Guest lecture and workshop, APPM 4720 Data-Driven Modeling, UCB. Mar. 23 & April 4, 2023.
- [3] **WSINDy_PDE tutorial in MATLAB.** Guest lecture and workshop, APPM 4720 Data-Driven Modeling, UCB. Feb. 16, 2023.
- [4] **WSINDy MATLAB tutorial: ODEs & PDEs.** Guest lecture and workshop, APPM 4720 Data-Driven Modeling, UCB. April 5 & 7, 2022.
- [5] **Learning Models from Data: Model Reduction, System Identification and Machine Learning,** GAMM Juniors' Summer School on Applied Mathematics and Mechanics (SAMM 2020), Max Planck Institute for Dynamics of Complex Systems, Magdeburg, GE. July 27, 2020.

Teaching

2020–2021	Co-Instructor , Department of Applied Mathematics, UCB APPM 7400 Teaching Excellence (Fall 2020)
2019– 2020	Teaching Assistant , Department of Applied Mathematics, UCB APPM 1350 Calculus I (Fall 2020) APPM 2360 Differential Equations (Spring 2020) APPM 2350 Calculus III (Fall 2019)
2017–2019	Teaching Assistant , Department of Mathematics, SFU MACM 316 Numerical Analysis (Spring 2019) MATH 303 Set Theory and Logic (Fall 2018) Math 310 Differential Equations (Spring 2018) Calculus I,II,III (Fall 2017)
2015	Lab Assistant , Physics Department, UPS PHYS 110 College Physics 2 (Spring 2015)

Professional Service

(ongoing)	Reviewer , Phys. D, JCP, SIADS, RSOS, PLOS Comp. Bio., TMLR
May 10 th , 2023	Calculus workshop leader , Peak to Peak High School, Colorado
Dec. 9 th , 2022	Calculus workshop leader , Peak to Peak High School, Colorado
Fall 2021 - Spring 2022	President , SIAM graduate student chapter, UCB
Fall 2021 - Spring 2022	Peer mentor , Department of Applied Mathematics, UCB
Fall 2021	Organizer, Co-creator , APPM Graduate Student Seminar, Department of Applied Mathematics, UCB
Summer 2020 - Spring 2021	Lead Teaching Assistant , Center for Teaching and Learning & Department of Applied Mathematics, UCB
Spring 2020, Spring 2021, Spring 2022	Organizer , SIAM Front Range Student Conference
Fall 2019	Secretary , SIAM graduate student chapter, UCB
Fall 2018 - Summer 2019	Vice President , grill master, ski-trip organizer, Math Graduate Caucus, SFU
Spring 2019	Councilor , Graduate Student Society, SFU
Fall 2019 - Spring 2019	Committee Member , Internal Relations Committee, Teacher and Support Staff Union, SFU