# Erik Palmer

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#### **Education**

## Ph.D. Applied and Computational Mathematics - Expected May 2018

Supervised by Dr. Paula Vasquez Advanced to Candidacy - October 2015 University of South Carolina, Columbia

### M.S. Applied Mathematics June 2013

California State University, East Bay

### B.A. Mathematics, B.A. Chinese June 2007

University of California, Davis

#### **Honors and Awards**

#### SPARC Graduate Research Grant 2017

Project: Mathematical Modeling of Multi-Responsive Polymer Gels

Graduate School Travel Grant Award 2017

Landahl Travel Award 2015

Woldzimierz and Anna Wrona Scholar in Mathematics 2011-2012

Finalist: HOM SIGMAA Student Paper Contest 2007

## Languages

Mandarin Chinese - Intermediate Spoken Fluency

## **Technological Skills**

**Programming:** C, CUDA, Python, BASH scripting, HTML, CSS **Development Tools:** SSH, Sun Grid Engine, Jupyter, Git, Vim

Computational Software: MATLAB, R, SageMath, Mathematica, Maple

Graphic Design: Gimp

### **Research Cyberinfrastructure Group - Attended Workshops:**

- Git Version Control January 2017
- R Basics September 2016
- MATLAB Workshop: Tackling Big Data with MATLAB April 2016

#### **Peer-Reviewed Publications**

Vasquez, P.A., Jin Y., *Palmer*, *E.*, Hill, D., & Forest, M. G., "Modeling and Simulation of Mucus Flow in Human Bronchial Epithelial Cell Cultures - PART I: Idealized Axisymmetric Swirling Flow", *PLOS Computational Biology*, 12.8 (2016): e1004872

#### Other Publications

Edwards, D.A., Chugunova, M., Emerick, B., Goldwyn, E., Narayanan, P., *Palmer, E.*, Sirlanci, M., de Teresa, I., Vasquez, M., Montes de Oca, M., "Hybrid Programmatic TV Markets", *Proceedings of the Thirty-Second Workshop on Mathematical Problems in Industry*, (2016)

#### **Presentations**

## An Approach Towards Modelling the Mixture of Stimuli-Responsive Hydrogels

 12th Annual, University of North Carolina Greensboro Regional Mathematics and Statistics Conference, November 2016, Greensboro, NC

## A Stochastic Model for Lung Mucus Gel Networks

• SIAM Materials Science Conference, May 2016, Philadelphia, PA

## A Stochastic Model for Lung Mucus Gel Networks (Introduction)

The Graduate Colloquium, October 2015, Columbia, SC

#### **Posters**

A Stochastic Model of Lung Mucus Gel Networks (Preliminary Results)

with Greg Forest, David Hill and Paula Vasquez.

- SC EPSCoR/IDeA State Conference, January 2016, Columbia, SC
- Annual Meeting of the Society Mathematical Biology, June 2015, Atlanta, GA
- Graduate Student Day Poster Presentation Competition, April 2016, Columbia,
  SC

### Measuring Rhythm: Which Ruler to Use?

with Andria Barraza and Shirley Yap.

 California State Univ., East Bay, Student Research Symposium April 2013, Hayward, CA

## Workshops

### The 32nd Annual Mathematical Problems in Industry Workshop

Duke University Mathematics Department, June 13-17, 2016

### The Thirteenth Annual Graduate Student Modeling Camp

Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, June 7-10, 2016

#### **Panels**

## **Introductory Discussion for New Graduate Students**

The Graduate Colloquium, August 18th, Columbia, SC

## **Qualifying Exam Preparation - Student Panel**

• The Graduate Colloquium , April 2016, Columbia, SC

#### Research

#### Research Assistant

Supported by NSF Grant# DMS-1410047, University of South Carolina Jan 2015 - Aug 2015, Jan 2016 - Aug 2016, Jan 2017 - present.

#### Research areas include:

- Mathematical Biology
- Complex Fluids and Rheology
- Stochastic Differential Equations
- Parallel Computation

## **Research Mentorship**

### South Carolina Alliance for Minority Participation

• Supervised Undergraduate Student Data Analysis with R, June-July 2016

#### SC Governor's School for Science & Mathematics:

Summer Program for Research Interns

 Supervised High School Student Programming and Data Analysis with MATLAB, June-July 2016

### **Teaching**

### **University of South Carolina**

- Elementary Differential Equations, Instructor:
  - Fall 2016
- Precalculus Mathematics, Instructor:
  - Fall 2015
- Calculus 2, Teaching Assistant:
  - Spring 2014, Fall 2014
- Intensive Basic College Mathematics, Instructor:
  - Fall 2013

### California State University, East Bay

- Intermediate Algebra, Instructor:
  - Fall 2012, Winter 2012, Winter 2013, Spring 2013
- Elementary Algebra, Instructor:
  - Fall 2011, Winter 2013
- Introduction to Algebra, Instructor:
  - Winter 2011, Fall 2012

## **Extracurricular and Volunteer Experience**

## Graduate Council, Student Representative

Department of Mathematics, October 2016 - present

## SIAM Student Chapter President

University of South Carolina, Columbia, May 2016 - present

#### **Exam Proctor**

AP Practice Exam, April 2016

30th Annual USC High School Math Contest, January 2016

## Community Engagement & Service

USC Pen Pal Party for Elementary School Students, April 2016

## **Founding Member**

# Peer Excellence Award Committee, Spring 2015 - present

## **Professional Associations**

Society for Industrial and Applied Mathematics Society for Mathematical Biology