Gregory T. Ely

CONTACT Information

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EDUCATION

Massachusetts Institute of Technology

2013 September - Present

Doctor of Philosophy, Geophysics. Area of research: reflection seismology

Tufts University 2010 - 2013

Master of Science, Electrical Engineering.

Thesis: Reduced Complexity Regularization of Geophysical Inverse Problems.

Carleton College 2004 - 2008

Bachelor of Arts, Magna cum Laude with Distinction in Physics.

Received Distinction for Senior Thesis: The Physics of Traffic and Crowds

Fellowship Science Foundation Graduate Fellowship Program 2012 -2016

Statoil-MIT Energy Graduate Fellowship 2014

Praecis Presidential Graduate Fellowship 2013

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Massachusetts Institute of Technology

2013 September - present

Research Assistant

Geophysics department, Alison Malcolm, Advisor. Exploring boundary integral methods for fast acoustic wave simulation and reduced model space. I am combining these fast forward solvers with particle swarm optimization to globally estimate and provide error bounds on inversions of seismic velocity models and bone density tests using medical ultrasound.

Schlumberger Doll Research

2012 & 2015 Summer

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Math & Modeling Department, Sandip Bose, Supervisor. Developed new algorithms for cement evaluation in boreholes using an ultrasonic transducer to image through the borehole casing. Created a new technique that improves the detection and characterization of the bond between cement and the rock formation.

Tufts University

2010 May - 2013 August

Research Assistant

Electrical Engineering department, Shuchin Aeron, Advisor. Examined the application of complexity penalized algorithms to solve a variety of geophysical inverse problems: hydraulic fracture monitoring, hyperspectral imaging, and reflection seismology. Demonstrated how the physics of several systems give rise to sparsity or low-dimensionality when posed in the proper basis and can be exploited to improve inversion.

MIT Lincoln Laboratory

2008 September - 2012 January

Researcher

Tactical Defense Systems, Kevin Cohen, Supervisor. Developed a modular real time radar tracker in C++ to run on multiple ground based radar systems. Wrote and debugged real time imagery and data recording systems in C and C++. Developed MATLAB image processing and tracking tools to perform analyses of infrared imagery. Designed tests of infrared optical systems. Simulated and modeled the performance of optical systems, the atmosphere, and radiation of the viewed images.

Carleton College

2007 January - 2008 June

Research Assistant

LIGO (Laser Interferometer Gravitational Wave Observatory) Scientific Collaboration, Nelson Christensen, Supervisor. Developed and debugged MATLAB programs which analyzed environmental sensor data to diagnose sources of continuous noise in gravitational wave detectors. Wrote and optimized code to run efficiently on distributed grid computers to assess the quality of analyzed sensor and interferometer data.

Boston University

2006 Summer

Research Assistant

Research Assistant, Hearing Research Center, Department of Biomedical Engineering, Boston University. Steven Colburn, Director. Wrote and debugged code modules in C++ for EarLab, a program used to simulate components of the human auditory system. Developed a multi-platform Java graphical user interface to run EarLab simulations.

SKILLS

• Programming Languages: MATLAB, Python, C, C++, Java

GRADUATE RESEARCH

Journal Publications

"Assessing uncertainties in velocity models and images with a fast nonlinear uncertainty quantification method," Gregory Ely, Oleg Poliannikov, Alison Malcolm; Geophysics. (Accepted May 2017)

"5D seismic data completion and de-noising using a novel class of tensor decompositions", Gregory Ely, Shuchin Aeron, Ning Hao, and Misha E. Kilmer; Geophysics, Vol 80,. No 4, 2015

"Exploiting algebraic and structural complexity for single snapshot computed tomography hyperspectral imaging systems", Bo Fan, Gregory Ely, Shuchin Aeron, and Eric Miller; IEEE Journal on Selected Topics in Signal Processing: Special issue on Advances in Hyperspectral Data Processing and Analysis, 2015

Conference Proceedings

"Fast nonlinear uncertainty quantification for velocity model building and imaging," Gregory Ely, Oleg Poliannikov, Alison Malcolm; September 2017 SEG Annual meeting, Houston, Texas

"Combining global optimization and boundary integral methods to robustly estimate subsurface velocity models", Gregory Ely, Alison Malcolm, and David Nicholls; October 2015 SEG Annual meeting, New Orleans, Louisiana

"Novel factorization strategies for higher order tensors: Implications for compression and recovery of multilinear data", Zemin Zhang, Gregory Ely, Shuchin Aeron, Ning Hao and Misha Kilmer; Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition, June 2014, Columbus, Ohio; Oral Presentation & Paperl; Oral Presentation Acceptance Rate 5.75%

"Methods for Large Scale Hydraulic Fracture Monitoring" Gregory Ely and Shuchin Aeron; 2013 December IEEE CAMSAP, Saint Martin, French West Indies, France

"5D and 4D pre-stack seismic data completion using tensor nuclear norm (TNN)" Gregory Ely, Shuchin Aeron, Ning Hao, and Misha E. Kilmer; 2013 September SEG Annual Meeting, Houston, Texas

"Complexity Penalized Hydraulic Fracture Localization and Moment Tensor Estimation Under Limited Model Information" Gregory Ely and Shuchin Aeron; 2013 June, International Congress on Acoustics, Montreal, Canada

"Exploiting Structural Complexity For Robust and Rapid Hyperspectral Imaging" Gregory Ely, Shuchin Aeron, and Eric Miller; 2013 May IEEE ICASSP, Vancover, Canada

"Robust Hydraulic Fracture Monitoring (HFM) of multiple time overlapping events using a generalized discrete radon transform" Gregory Ely and Shuchin Aeron; 2012 July, IEEE IGARSS Symposium, Munich, Germany

Presentations

"Uncertainty Quantification of Velocity Models and Seismic Imaging" Gregory Ely, Oleg V. Poliannikov, Alison Malcolm and David Nicholls; 13th International Conference on Mathematical and Numerical Aspects of Wave Propagation; Minneapolis, MN

"Applications of Boundary Integral Methods for Robust Seismic Velocity Inversion and Error Estimation", Gregory Ely, Alison Malcolm, and David Nicholls; SIAM Annual Meeting 2016, Oral presentation

"Combining Global Optimization and Boundary Integral Methods to Robustly Estimate Seismic Velocity Models", Gregory Ely, Alison Malcolm, and David Nicholls; SIAM Conference on Mathematical and Computational Issues in the Geosciences 2015, Poster presentation

"Separation of continuous GPS transients using independent component analysis and low rank methods", Gregory Ely and Tom Herring; American Geophysical Union Fall 2014 meeting, Oral presentation

"Compressibility of 5D Seismic Data Under Various Tensor Decompositions", Shuchin Aeron and Gregory Ely; SEG 2015 New Orleans Post Convention Workshop, Oral presentation

Undergraduate Publications

"Search for gravitational waves from binary black hole inspiral, merger and ringdown" B. J. Abadie et al. (LIGO Scientific Collaboration & Virgo Collaboration), Phys. Rev. D 83, 122005 (2011).

"Search for Gravitational Waves from Compact Binary Coalescence in LIGO and Virgo Data from S5 and VSR1" B. J. Abadie *et al.* (LIGO Scientific Collaboration & Virgo Collaboration), Phys. Rev. D 82, 102001 (2010)

"Search for gravitational waves from low mass compact binary coalescence in 186 days of LIGO's fifth science run" B. Abbott *et al.* (LIGO Scientific Collaboration), Phys. Rev. D 80 047101 (2009)

"An upper limit on the stochastic gravitational-wave background of cosmological origin" B. Abbott et al. (LIGO Scientific Collaboration & Virgo Collaboration), Nature, Vol. 460, p. 990 (2009)

"Einstein@Home search for periodic gravitational waves in early S5 LIGO data" B. Abbott *et al.* (LIGO Scientific Collaboration), Phys. Rev. D 80 042003 (2009)

"Search for gravitational waves from low mass binary coalescences in the first year of LIGO's S5 data" B. Abbott *et al.* (LIGO Scientific Collaboration), Phys. Rev. D 79 122001 (2009)

"All-Sky LIGO Search for Periodic Gravitational Waves in the Early Fifth-Science-Run Data" B. Abbott et al. (LIGO Scientific Collaboration), Physical Review Letters 102 111102 (2009)

"Einstein@Home search for periodic gravitational waves in LIGO S4 data" B. Abbott *et al.* (LIGO Scientific Collaboration), Phys. Rev. D 79 022001 (2009)

"The LSC glitch group: monitoring noise transients during the fifth LIGO science run" L. Blackburn, L. Cadonati, S. Caride, S. Caudill, S. Chatterji, N. Christensen, J. Dalrymple, S. Desai, A. Di Credico, G. Ely, J. Garofoli, L. Goggin, G. Gonzlez, R. Gouaty, C. Gray, A. Gretarsson, D. Hoak, T. Isogai, E. Katsavounidis, J. Kissel, S. Klimenko, R. A. Mercer, S. Mohapatra, S. Mukherjee, F. Raab, K. Riles, P. Saulson, R. Schofield, P. Shawhan, J. Slutsky, J. R. Smith, R. Stone, C. Vorvick, M. Zanolin, N. Zotov and J. Zweizig. Classical and Quantum Gravity, Vol. 25, 184004 (2008)