

# Jonathan Cangelosi

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## Education

May 2023 – Now **Rice University**, Houston, TX

**Ph.D. Candidate in Computational and Applied Mathematics**

Advisor: Dr. Matthias Heinkenschloss

Thesis: *An Adaptive Surrogate Model Refinement (ASMR) Framework for Simulation and Optimization of Dynamical Systems*

Expected completion date: May 2025.

Aug 2020 – May 2023 **Rice University**, Houston, TX

**M.A. in Computational and Applied Mathematics**, May 2023.

Advisor: Dr. Matthias Heinkenschloss

Thesis: *Trajectory Optimization of Hypersonic Vehicles via a Radau Pseudospectral Method*

Successfully defended December 2022.

Aug 2016 – Dec 2019 **Louisiana State University**, Baton Rouge, LA

**B.S. in Mathematics (with Honors)**, December 2019.

**B.S. in Computer Science (with Honors)**, December 2019.

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## Research Experience

Jul 2021 – Now **Research Assistant**, Department of Computational Applied Mathematics and Operations Research (CMOR), Rice University

Implemented pseudospectral optimal control software in Python. Derived rigorous sensitivity analysis results in a function space setting. Development of sensitivity-driven adaptive surrogate model refinement framework for trajectory simulation and optimization with expensive high-fidelity models in progress. Work directly contributed one preprint and several conference posters or presentations.

Dec 2021 – Now **Multidisciplinary University Research Initiative (MURI)**

Lead PI: Dr. Charbel Farhat, Stanford University

Project title: *A Robust Multi-Physics Design Analysis and Optimization Framework for Hypersonic Systems Grounded in Rigorous Model Reduction*

Funded by a grant from the Air Force Office of Scientific Research (AFOSR). Collaborated with multidisciplinary research teams from 4 universities. Work directly contributed one conference paper to AIAA SciTech Forum 2024, co-authored by Jacob Needels and Dr. Juan Jose Alonso, Stanford University.

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## Publications and Preprints

- Nov 2024 **J. R. Cangelosi**, M. Heinkenschloss. *Sensitivity of ODE solutions and quantities of interest with respect to component functions in the dynamics*. <https://arxiv.org/abs/2411.09655>
- Jan 2024 **J. R. Cangelosi**, M. Heinkenschloss, J. T. Needels, J. J. Alonso. *Simultaneous design and trajectory optimization for boosted hypersonic glide vehicles*. AIAA SciTech 2024 Forum. <https://arc.aiaa.org/doi/10.2514/6.2024-0375>

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## Presentations

- Oct 2024 "Sensitivity-Driven Surrogate Model Refinement for Efficient Computation of Quantities of Interest in Dynamical Systems." Minisymposium presentation, SIAM-TXLA 2024, Baylor University.
- Sep 2024 "An Adaptive Surrogate Model Refinement Framework for Simulation and Optimization of Dynamical Systems." Minisymposium presentation, MORE 2024, University of California, San Diego.
- Aug 2024 "An Adaptive Surrogate Model Refinement Framework for Optimization of Dynamical Systems." Minisymposium presentation, MOPTA 2024, Lehigh University.
- Jul 2024 "Surrogate Model Refinement for Simulation of Dynamical Systems." Poster presentation, NSF CompMath PI Meeting 2024, University of Washington.
- Jan 2024 "Simultaneous Design and Trajectory Optimization for Boosted Hypersonic Glide Vehicles." Technical paper presentation, AIAA SciTech 2024, Orlando, FL.
- Nov 2023 "Adaptive Gaussian Process Modeling for Trajectory Simulation with Model Inexactness." Minisymposium presentation, SIAM-TXLA 2023, University of Louisiana at Lafayette.
- Nov 2022 "Trajectory Optimization of Hypersonic Vehicles via a Radau Pseudospectral Method." Poster presentation, SIAM-TXLA 2022, University of Houston.

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## Teaching

- Spring 2023, Spring 2024 **Teaching Assistant**, CMOR, Rice University  
Held weekly recitation sessions and office hours for Differential Equations in Science and Engineering (CMOR 304), plus occasional guest lectures.
- Spring 2024 **Kernel Methods Reading Group Facilitator**, CMOR, Rice University  
Gave lectures and demonstrations on kernel methods from theoretical and practical perspectives for interested undergraduate and graduate students.

Aug 2017 – Dec 2019 **Lead Tutor**, Center for Academic Success, Louisiana State University  
Tutored students in calculus, differential equations, linear algebra, discrete mathematics, real analysis, optimization, intro-level programming, data structures, algorithm analysis, and intro-level physics.

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## Service

Summer 2024 **Research Training Group (RTG) Summer Internship Volunteer**, Rice University

Created Jupyter notebooks to teach high school students about discretizing and solving numerical optimization problems in Python using software such as scipy and Pyomo.

Summer 2024 **RTG Summer Math Days Volunteer**, Rice University

Gave a presentation to high school students discussing how mathematicians reason about infinity, which is foundational to college-level mathematics.

Aug 2023 – May 2024 **Graduate seminar organizer**, Rice University

Invited speakers and arranged weekly research talks for graduate students in the department.

Aug 2020 – May 2023 **Grader**, Rice University

Differential Equations for Science and Engineering, Computational Science I, Numerical Analysis I and II.

Fall 2021 **Math Nights volunteer**, Rice Association for Women in Mathematics (AWM) Chapter, Rice University

Assisted undergraduate students in applied mathematics courses such as calculus, matrix analysis, and numerical methods for PDEs.

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## Certificates

**Graduate Certificate in Teaching and Learning**, Center for Teaching Excellence, Rice University

Accredited 2-year certificate program in the scholarship of teaching and learning. Expected completion date: May 2025.

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## Technical Skills

Proficient in Python and C++. Some familiarity with OpenMP and MPI.