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Education

Ph.D. in Mechanical Engineering – GPA: 4.00 <i>Texas A&M University</i> <i>Coursework: Numerical Methods for PDEs, Finite Elements, Material Science, Design Optimization</i> <i>Research Focus: Bayesian optimization, Accelerated material discovery, High Performance Computing</i>	Aug. 2024 – Present <i>College Station, TX</i>
M.S. in Scientific Computing – GPA: 3.60 <i>University of Puerto Rico</i> <i>Coursework: Numerical Analysis, Numerical Linear Algebra, Bayesian Machine Learning, Data Mining, Automatas and Formal Languages</i> <i>Thesis: A Bayesian Adaptive Smoothing and Thresholding Approach for Activation Detection in Single-Subject fMRI</i>	Aug. 2021 – July 2024 <i>Mayagüez, PR</i>
Data Science Certification <i>Henry School</i> <i>Coursework: Data Engineering, Data Analytics, Machine Learning</i>	May. 2023 – Dec. 2023 <i>Argentina</i>
B.S. in Mechanical Engineering – GPA: 3.91 <i>University of Puerto Rico</i> <i>Coursework: Adv. Thermodynamics, Computing Founds, Modern Algebra, Engineering Optimization, Funds of Mathematics, Graph Theory, Logic</i>	Aug. 2017 – May 2021 <i>Mayagüez, PR</i>

Experience

Graduate Research Assistant <i>Computational Design Laboratory</i>	Aug. 2024 – Present <i>Texas A&M University</i>
Sports Statistician <i>Semi-Pro Rank: Football, Volleyball, Soccer, Basketball, Ice Hockey</i>	Jan. 2024 – May 2025 <i>Genius Sports</i>
Data Scientist <i>Caribbean Climate Adaptation Network</i>	Jan. 2024 – July 2024 <i>University of Puerto Rico: Medical Sciences</i>
Developer and Administrator of Pre-Calculus Digital Book <i>Department of Mathematical Sciences</i>	Aug. 2023 – July 2024 <i>University of Puerto Rico: Mayagüez</i>
Graduate Research Assistant <i>HASPNEL Project</i>	Jan. 2023 – Dec. 2023 <i>University of Puerto Rico: Mayagüez</i>
Graduate Teaching Assistant <i>Department of Mathematical Sciences</i>	Aug. 2021 – Dec. 2022 <i>University of Puerto Rico: Mayagüez</i>
Mathematics Support Center Tutor <i>Department of Mathematical Sciences</i>	Aug. 2021 – Dec. 2023 <i>University of Puerto Rico: Mayagüez</i>
Biostatistician <i>NIH All of Us Program</i>	June. 2022 – July 2022 <i>University of Puerto Rico: Medical Sciences</i>
Manufacturing Laboratory Assistant <i>Department of Mechanical Engineering</i>	Aug. 2021 – May 2022 <i>University of Puerto Rico: Mayagüez</i>
Data Analyst Programmer <i>National Institute of Congestion Reduction</i>	Aug. 2020 – Dec. 2020 <i>University of Puerto Rico: Mayagüez</i>
Co-Founder <i>Cosecha'o Aquí</i>	Aug. 2018 – May 2019 <i>Mayagüez, PR</i>

Skills

OS: Linux, ChromeOS, iOS, MacOS Windows, Raspbian
Tools: AWS, Google Cloud, Local Servers (SSH), Google Workspace Tools, Microsoft Office Tools, Hadoop, Spark, Power BI, DAX, \LaTeX
Programming Languages: Python, MATLAB, Arduino, R, JAVA, C, C++, Fortran, HTML, CSS, SQL
CAD, CAM, FEA, CFD & Others: ANSYS, Star-CCM+, Siemens NX, SolidWorks, OnShape, Inventor, OpenRocket
Manufacture: 3D Printing, CNC Cutting Machines, Lathe, Milling and other mechanical machines
Project Management: Gantt Charts, MeisterTask, Risk Assesments, Trello, Work Breakdown Structures (WBS)
Languages: Spanish (native), English (fluent)

Mapping of microstructure transitions during rapid alloy solidification using Bayesian-guided phase-field simulations

Other Authors: José Mancias, Brent Vela, Rouhollah Tavakoli, Douglas Allaire, Raymundo Arróyave, Damien Tournet

Paper DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.actamat.2025.121354>

Incorporating Equity in the Vehicle Rebalancing Operations of Dockless Micromobility Services

Other Authors: Lina Zapata, Daniel Rodriguez-Roman, Juan González-López and Alberto Figueroa-Medina

Paper DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.latran.2024.100009>

Bayesian Adaptive Smoothing for Activation Detection in fMRI

Advisor: Israel Almodóvar

Conference Presentation in 2023 SACNAS NDISTEM Conference and 2023 BEER-XIV Conference

Equity Considerations in the Rebalancing Operations of Dockless Micromobility

Other authors: Lina Zapata, Daniel Rodriguez-Roman, Juan González-López and Alberto Figueroa-Medina

Conference Paper from XX PANAM 2021 hosted by the Pan American Society of Transportation Research

Prediction of Trip Productions for Exclusive Zones of a Dockless Electric Scooter Service using Machine Learning Regression Algorithms

Other authors: Daniel Rodriguez-Roman and Benjamín Colucci-Ríos

Conference Poster for 2020 Transportation Research Board Annual Meeting

Projects

Alpha Astrum

Vice-President of STEM Outreach

Aug. 2021 – May 2022

University of Puerto Rico: Mayagüez

- Lead a team in order to fulfill the mission and vision of developing awareness of STEM areas throughout all educational levels of Puerto Rico

DRACO Rocketry Team

NASA Student Launch University Initiative (NSL)

Aug. 2018 – May 2021

University of Puerto Rico: Mayagüez

- Led a team in the design, manufacture and launch of a high-power rocket with an experimental payload to an approximate height of 4,500 ft, recover it and complete a specified mission
- Developed mathematical models and computational simulations in order to understand and predict the mission performance of the rocket with less than 3% of error
- Managed the project using Systems Engineering tools such as requirement establishment, risk assessments, decision matrix, single-point failures, BOM by order of assembly, proposal, PDR, CDR, FRR and professional presentations, all with high quality as awarded by NASA panel

Workshops

Advanced Computing Workshop

Institute of Data Science

August 2025

Texas A&M University

Computational Materials Science Summer School

Department of Materials Science and Engineering

July 2025 – Aug. 2025

Texas A&M University

Sampling Advanced Mathematics for Minority Students Program

Department of Mathematics

June 2019 – July 2019

Ohio State University

Awards

- **Best Presentation** SACNAS NDISTEM Conference 2023
- **First Place** Programming Competition UPR-Bayamon 2022
- **Fellowship** Dwight David Eisenhower Transportation 2020
- **First Place** Project Review in NSL 2020
- **Rookie Award** NSL 2020
- **Second Place** STEM Engagement in NSL 2020
- **Top 25% and 30%** Putnam Math Competition 2019 and 2018
- **First Place** Calculus Olympiads UPRM 2018
- **Third Place** Calculus Olympiads Interamerican University 2018
- **Gold Medal** OMPR Second and Third Phases 2015 - 2017