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CONTACT INFORMATION

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GENERAL

- *Expertise:* Applied mathematician with 10+ years of post-Ph.D. research experience in stochastic processes, statistical analysis, numerical methods, model reduction, uncertainty quantification and machine learning with applications in biochemistry, statistical physics, population dynamics, fluid dynamics, climate science.
- *Objective:* Research-oriented position in machine learning and data science, with emphasis on probabilistic modeling and algorithm development.

EDUCATION

University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI, USA

- Ph.D., Applied Mathematics, August, 2007.

Thesis: “Mean First Passage Times in the Near-Continuum Limit of Birth-Death Processes”.

Moscow Institute of Physics and Technology, Moscow, Russian Federation

- B.S., Applied Physics and Mathematics, June, 2001.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Sandia National Laboratories, Livermore, CA, USA

- *Principal Member of Technical Staff* **2015 - present**
Member or lead of several research projects related to computational methods and uncertainty quantification with applications in chemical kinetics, climate science, computational fluid dynamics, and high-performance computing.
- *Senior Member of Technical Staff* **2010 - 2015**
- *Postdoctoral Fellow* **2007 - 2010**

University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI, USA

- *Graduate Student Research Assistant* **2003 - 2006**
Supported by NSF and Michigan Center for Theoretical Physics. Member of the 3-year NSF research project group “Fronts, Fluctuations and Growth”.

Moscow Institute of Physics and Technology, Moscow, Russian Federation

- *Research Assistant* **1999 - 2002**
Institute for Computer Aided Design of RAS and Institute for System Programming of RAS.

SUMMARY

- Over 60 publications in peer-reviewed academic journals
- Over 100 research presentations in academic conferences and workshops
- Mentoring of ~10 graduate students and postdoctoral fellows
- Estimated ~200K lines of scientific programming in C/C++, Python, Matlab, Mathematica
- Teaching and tutoring experience of a wide range of undergraduate and graduate level math and engineering classes
- As a high-schooler, participated in International Math Olympiad in 1996 (Honorable mention) and 1997 (Bronze medal)
- Fluent in English, Russian, Armenian. Reading knowledge of French.

SELECTED
PUBLICATIONS

- K. Sargsyan, X. Huan, H. Najm. “Embedded Model Error Representation for Bayesian Model Calibration”, arXiv:1801.06768, 2018.
- K. Sargsyan, “Surrogate Models for Uncertainty Propagation and Sensitivity Analysis”, “Forward Problems” section of UQ Handbook, Springer, 2017.
- K. Sargsyan, H. N. Najm, R. Ghanem, “On the Statistical Calibration of Physical Models”, *International Journal for Chemical Kinetics*, 47:4, pp. 246–276, 2015.
- K. Sargsyan, F. Rizzi, P. Mycek, C. Safta, K. Morris, H. N. Najm, O. Le Matre, O. Knio, B. Debusschere, “Fault Resilient Domain Decomposition Preconditioner for PDEs”, *SIAM Journal on Scientific Computing*, 37:5, pp. 2317–2345, 2015.
- K. Sargsyan, C. Safta, H. N. Najm, B. Debusschere, D. Ricciuto, P. Thornton, “Dimensionality Reduction for Complex Models via Bayesian Compressive Sensing”, *International Journal of Uncertainty Quantification*, 4:1, pp.63–93, 2014.
- K. Sargsyan, C. Safta, B. Debusschere, H. Najm, “Multiparameter Spectral Representation of Noise-Induced Competence in Bacillus Subtilis”, *IEEE/ACM Trans. Comp. Biol. and Bioinf.*, 9:6, pp. 1709–1723, 2012.
- K. Sargsyan, C. Safta, B. Debusschere and H. N. Najm, “Uncertainty Quantification given Discontinuous Model Response and a Limited Number of Model Runs”. *SIAM Journal on Scientific Computing* 34:1, pp. 44–64, 2012.
- K. Sargsyan, B. Debusschere, H. N. Najm and O. Le Maître, “Spectral Representation and Reduced Order Modeling of the Dynamics of Stochastic Reaction Networks via Adaptive Data Partitioning”. *SIAM Journal on Scientific Computing*, 31, pp.4395-4421, 2010.
- K. Sargsyan, B. Debusschere, H. N. Najm and Y. Marzouk, “Bayesian Inference of Spectral Expansions for Predictability Assessment in Stochastic Reaction Networks”. *Journal of Computational and Theoretical Nanoscience*, 6:10, 2009.

ACADEMIC
ACTIVITIES

- Invited referee for *Physics Letters A*, *Journal of Computational Physics*, *Journal of Physical Chemistry*, *Journal of Guidance, Control, and Dynamics*, *Mathematical Biosciences*, *Multiscale Modeling and Simulation*, *Physica D*, *The European Physical Journal B*, *SIAM Journal on Scientific Computing*, *Computational Geosciences*, *AIChE Journal*.
- Organized several sessions at recognized national and international conferences, such as SIAM UQ, SIAM CS&E, SIAM AN, AGU, ISBA, USNCCM, with over 100 speakers total.
- Member of Society of Industrial and Applied Mathematics (SIAM), American Geophysical Union (AGU), International Society of Bayesian Analysis (ISBA), American Statistical Association (ASA)
- Major contributor to the UQTK, a Python/C++ software kit for uncertainty quantification, sandia.gov/UQToolkit
- Land Modeling UQ lead in the multi-lab project “Energy Exascale Earth System Model”, E3SM, e3sm.org.
- Member of the FASTMath SciDAC institute, focused on applied math algorithms, tools, and software for HPC applications, fastmath-scidac.llnl.gov.