

# MAX RUTH

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## EDUCATION

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### Cornell University

*August 2018 - present*

- Pursuing Ph.D. in Applied Mathematics (Advisor: David Bindel)
- M.S in Applied Mathematics
- Minor in Theoretical and Applied Mechanics
- GPA: 4.0

### University of Colorado Boulder

*August 2014 - August 2018*

- M.S. in Applied Mathematics (Advisor: Mark Hoefer)
- B.S. in Applied Mathematics
- B.S. in Engineering Physics
- Summa cum Laude
- GPA: 3.97

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

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- Scientific Computing
- Hamiltonian Dynamics
- Plasma Physics
- Solid Mechanics (Piezoelectric Materials)
- Numerical Linear Algebra
- High-performance Computing
- Nonlinear Waves
- Extrapolation Methods

## HONORS AND AWARDS

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- NSF Graduate Research Fellow *Fall 2018 - Spring 2023*
- Outstanding Graduate for Research Award (CU Boulder) *Spring 2018*
- ARCS Fellow *Fall 2017–Fall 2018*
- Igor and Elfriede Gamow Scholarship *Fall 2014–Fall 2018*

## PUBLICATIONS

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1. (Submitted) R. GAUR, S. BULLER, M. E. RUTH, M. LANDREMAN, I. G. ABEL, AND W. D. DORLAND, *An adjoint-based method for optimizing MHD equilibria against the infinite-n, ideal ballooning mode*, Feb. 2023. arXiv:2302.07673 [physics]
2. T. SHI, M. RUTH, AND A. TOWNSEND, *Parallel Algorithms for Computing the Tensor-Train Decomposition*, SIAM Journal on Scientific Computing, 45 (2023), pp. C101–C130
3. M. OPREA, M. RUTH, D. KASSABOVA, AND W. CLARK, *Optimal Control of Nonholonomic Systems via Magnetic Fields*, IEEE Control Systems Letters, 7 (2023), pp. 793–798. Conference Name: IEEE Control Systems Letters
4. M. E. RUTH, *The role of topology in magnetic solitary wave dynamics*, Master's thesis, University of Colorado Boulder, Department of Applied Mathematics, Boulder CO, 2018
5. M. E. RUTH, E. IACOCCA, P. G. KEVREKIDIS, AND M. A. HOEFER, *Transverse instabilities of stripe domains in magnetic thin films with perpendicular magnetic anisotropy*, Physical Review B, 97 (2018), p. 104428

## PRESENTATIONS

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- Vector RRE for Classifying Chaos in Symplectic Maps. ICERM Workshop on Acceleration and Extrapolation Methods. Providence, RI. (July 2023)
- Finding Invariant Circles from a Single Trajectory. Simons Collaboration on Hidden Symmetries and Fusion Energy. Online. (July 2023)
- Level Set Learning for Poincaré Plots of Symplectic Maps. Presentation. SIAM Conference on Applications of Dynamical Systems (DS23). Portland, OR. (May 2023) *Minisymposium*
- Optimal Control of Nonholonomic Systems via Magnetic Fields. Presentation. American Control Conference (ACC). San Diego, CA. (June 2023)
- Level Set Learning for Poincaré Plots of Symplectic Maps. Presentation. SIAM Conference on Computational Science and Engineering (CSE23). Amsterdam, The Netherlands. (March 2023) *Minisymposium*
- Sequence Acceleration for Classifying Chaos. Presentation. Cornell University Applied Dynamics Seminar. Ithaca, NY. (October 2022)
- Improving COBRA-VMC for Determining Ballooning Instability via Eigenvalue Optimization. Presentation. Simons Collaboration on Hidden Symmetries and Fusion Energy Greifswald Retreat. Greifswald, Germany. (July 2022)
- Symplectic Map Approximation and Invariant Circle Continuation. Presentation. Simsopt Developers Meeting. Online (June 2022)
- Geometrically Nonlinear Modes in Piezoelectric Materials. Presentation. Cornell University PhD Candidacy Exam. Ithaca, NY. (December 2021)
- Instabilities of topological and non-topological bion stripes. Poster. 62nd Annual Conference on Magnetism and Magnetic Materials, Pittsburgh, PA. (November 2017)
- Instabilities of topological and non-topological bion stripes. Poster. Front Range Advanced Magnetism Symposium, Denver, CO. (August 2017)
- Instabilities of topological and non-topological bion stripes. Poster. Oxford Magnonics, Oxford, England. (August 2017)
- Perimeter dynamics of a two-dimensional, circular soliton in a magnetic system. Oral presentation. Front Range Applied Mathematics Student Conference, Denver, CO. (January 2017)
- Droplet solitons in magnetic films of finite thickness. Poster. Front Range Advanced Magnetism Symposium, Laramie, WY. (August 2016)

## SERVICE

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### Local Activity

- Ithaca High Schooler Math Seminar Instructor *Fall 2020-Spring 2021*
- JILA Physics Frontier Center PISEC Volunteer *Spring 2018*

### Review Activity

- IEEE Control Systems Society (2022)

## TEACHING

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- MATH 3610: Mathematical Modeling *Fall 2023*
- MATH 2930: Differential Equations for Engineers (TA) *Spring 2022*
- MATH 4250: Numerical Analysis and Differential Equations (TA) *Fall 2021*
- PHYS 1020: The Physics of Everyday Life (LA) *Spring 2017*

## SOFTWARE

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### Parallel\_TT\_Sketching

- Fully parallelized MPI-based tensor-train decomposition algorithms, implemented in C

- [https://github.com/SidShi/Parallel\\_TT\\_sketching](https://github.com/SidShi/Parallel_TT_sketching)

StellaratorOptimizationMetrics.jl

- Ballooning stability calculations for stellarators, implemented in Julia
- <https://gitlab.com/wistell/StellaratorOptimizationMetrics.jl>

## PROFESSIONAL SOCIETIES

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- Member, SIAM (Society for Industrial and Applied Mathematics)
- Member, AMS (American Mathematical Society)