

# Matthew D. Kvalheim

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## Research Interests

dynamical systems, control theory, differential topology, and applications.

## Education

- 2013–2018 **Ph.D., University of Michigan**, Electrical Engineering
- 2013–2017 **M.S., University of Michigan**, Mathematics
- 2013–2017 **M.S., University of Michigan**, Electrical Engineering
- 2009–2013 **B.S., Ohio University**, Electrical Engineering, *summa cum laude*, #1 EECS graduate

## Employment

- 2023– **Assistant Professor of Mathematics**, *University of Maryland, Baltimore County*, Department of Mathematics and Statistics  
Eminent Scholar Program Mentor: Eduardo D. Sontag
- 2022–2023 **Postdoctoral Assistant Professor**, *University of Michigan*, Department of Mathematics  
Mentor: Anthony M. Bloch
- 2019–2022 **Postdoctoral Researcher**, *University of Pennsylvania*, Department of Electrical and Systems Engineering  
Mentors: Yuliy Baryshnikov, Daniel E. Koditschek
- 2018–2019 **Postdoctoral Research Fellow**, *University of Michigan*, Department of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science  
Mentors: Anthony M. Bloch, Shai Revzen

## Awards and Honors

- 2025 **Cover article**, *Neural Computation*, Volume 37, Issue 12, MIT Press
- 2013 **Rackham Engineering Award**, *University of Michigan*
- 2013 **Outstanding Senior in Electrical Engineering**, *Ohio University*
- 2013 **First place, EECS Division, Undergraduate Student Expo**, *Ohio University*
- 2012 **Undergraduate Research Award, College of Engineering**, *Ohio University*
- 2012 **Outstanding Junior in Electrical Engineering**, *Ohio University*
- 2011 **Dean's Scholarship**, *Ohio University*
- 2011 **Fritz & Dolores Russ Scholarship**, *Ohio University*
- 2009–2013 **Gateway Excellence Scholarship**, *Ohio University*

## Funding

- 2024–2027 **Geometric-Topological Limitations and Capabilities for Stability and Safety**, *Air Force Office of Scientific Research Award FA9550-24-1-0299*

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## Preprints

- 3 **Differential topology of the spaces of asymptotically stable vector fields and Lyapunov functions**  
*Matthew D. Kvalheim*  
(2025). ([arXiv](#))
- 2 **Autoencoding dynamics: topological limitations and capabilities**  
*Matthew D. Kvalheim and Eduardo D. Sontag*  
(2025). ([arXiv](#))
- 1 **Koopman embedding and super-linearization counterexamples with isolated equilibria**  
*Philip Arathoon and Matthew D. Kvalheim*  
(2023). ([arXiv](#))

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## Peer-Reviewed Journal Publications

- 16 **Linearizability of flows by embeddings**  
*Matthew D. Kvalheim and Philip Arathoon*  
Selecta Mathematica, Accepted (2025). ([arXiv](#))
- 15 **Estimating phase from observed trajectories using the temporal 1-form**  
*Simon Wilshin, Matthew D. Kvalheim, Clayton Scott, and Shai Revzen*  
Cover article, Neural Computation, 37.12 (2025), pp. 2158–2204. ([article](#))
- 14 **Global linearization of asymptotically stable systems without hyperbolicity**  
*Matthew D. Kvalheim and Eduardo D. Sontag*  
Systems and Control Letters, 203 (2025), pp. 106163. ([article](#), [arXiv](#))
- 13 **Why should autoencoders work?**  
*Matthew D. Kvalheim and Eduardo D. Sontag*  
Transactions on Machine Learning Research (2024), pp. 1–24. ([article](#), [arXiv](#))
- 12 **Phase response curves and the role of coordinates**  
*Simon Wilshin, Matthew D. Kvalheim, and Shai Revzen*  
Biological Cybernetics, 118 (2024), pp. 311–330. ([article](#))
- 11 **Flux in tilted potential systems: negative resistance and persistence**  
*Yuliy Baryshnikov and Matthew D. Kvalheim*  
Communications in Mathematical Physics, 400.2 (2023), pp. 853–930 ([article](#), [arXiv](#))
- 10 **Obstructions to asymptotic stabilization**  
*Matthew D. Kvalheim*  
SIAM J. Control and Optimization, 61.2 (2023), pp. 536–542 ([article](#), [arXiv](#))
- 9 **A compositional approach to certifying the almost global asymptotic stability of cascade systems**  
*Jake Welde, Matthew D. Kvalheim, and Vijay Kumar*  
IEEE Control Systems Letters, 7 (2023), pp. 1969–1974. ([article](#), [arXiv](#))
- 8 **A generalization of the Hopf degree theorem**  
*Matthew D. Kvalheim*  
Proceedings of the American Mathematical Society, 151.1 (2023), pp. 453–454. ([article](#), [arXiv](#))
- 7 **Necessary conditions for feedback stabilization and safety**  
*Matthew D. Kvalheim and Daniel E. Koditschek*  
J. Geometric Mechanics, 14.4 (2022), pp. 659–693. ([article](#), [arXiv](#))  
Invited contribution to special volume honoring Anthony M. Bloch

- 6 Planning of obstacle-aided navigation for multi-legged robots using a sampling-based method over directed graphs  
*Kaustav Chakraborty, Haodi Hu, Matthew D. Kvalheim, and Feifei Qian*  
IEEE Robotics and Automation Letters, 7.4 (2022), pp. 8861–8868. ([article](#))
- 5 Families of periodic orbits: closed 1-forms and global continuability  
*Matthew D. Kvalheim and Anthony M. Bloch*  
J. Differential Equations, 285 (2021), pp. 211–257. ([article](#), [arXiv](#))
- 4 Existence and uniqueness of global Koopman eigenfunctions for stable fixed points and periodic orbits  
*Matthew D. Kvalheim and Shai Revzen*  
Physica D, 425 (2021), pp. 132959. ([article](#), [arXiv](#))
- 3 Conley's fundamental theorem for a class of hybrid systems  
*Matthew D. Kvalheim, Paul Gustafson, and Daniel E. Koditschek*  
SIAM J. Applied Dynamical Systems, 20.2 (2021), pp. 784–825. ([article](#), [arXiv](#))
- 2 Gait modeling and optimization for the perturbed Stokes regime  
*Matthew D. Kvalheim, Brian Bittner, and Shai Revzen*  
Nonlinear Dynamics, 97.4 (2019), pp. 2249–2270. ([article](#), [arXiv](#))
- 1 Global linearization and fiber bundle structure of invariant manifolds  
*Jaap Eldering, Matthew D. Kvalheim, and Shai Revzen*  
Nonlinearity, 31.9 (2018), pp. 4202–4245. ([article](#), [arXiv](#))

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## Peer-Reviewed Conference Publications

- 4 Relationships between necessary conditions for feedback stabilizability  
*Matthew D. Kvalheim*  
Geometry, Topology, and Control System Design: Proceedings of a Banff International Research Station Workshop (2025), pp. 167–179. ([book](#), [arXiv](#))
- 3 The role of symmetry in constructing geometric flat outputs for free-flying robotic systems  
*Jake Welde, Matthew D. Kvalheim, and Vijay Kumar*  
2023 IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation (2023), pp. 12247–12253. ([article](#), [arXiv](#))
- 2 Generic properties of Koopman eigenfunctions for stable fixed points and periodic orbits  
*Matthew D. Kvalheim, David A. Hong, and Shai Revzen*  
IFAC-PapersOnline, 54.9 (2021), pp. 267–272. ([article](#), [arXiv](#))
- 1 Data-driven models of legged locomotion  
*Shai Revzen and Matthew D. Kvalheim*  
Micro-and Nanotechnology Sensors, Systems, and Applications VII, 9467 (2015). ([article](#))

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## Book Chapters

- 2 Bioinspired legged locomotion, chapter 3.2: Templates and anchors  
*Matthew D. Kvalheim and Shai Revzen*  
Butterworth-Heinemann, Elsevier, Oxford (2017)
- 1 Bioinspired legged locomotion, chapter 3.5: Locomotion as an oscillator  
*Shai Revzen and Matthew D. Kvalheim*  
Butterworth-Heinemann, Elsevier, Oxford (2017)

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## Invited Talks

- 2026 **Topological limitations and capabilities for autoencoding dynamics**, *SIAM Annual Meeting*, Cleveland, OH  
 Minisymposium: Topology, Geometry and Physics in High-Dimensional Representation Learning
- 2026 **On the universality of linear dynamics**, *International Society in Quantization, Geometry, and Dynamics*, online  
 Session: Ergodic Theory and Topological Dynamics
- 2026 **On the universality of linear dynamics and Koopman embeddings**, *Georgetown University*, Washington, DC  
 Department of Mathematics and Statistics Colloquium Series
- 2025 **When do practical Koopman embeddings exist?**, *61st Annual Allerton Conference*, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, USA  
 Session: Dynamical Systems, Learning, and Control
- 2025 **On the (non)existence of Koopman embeddings**, *Basic Research Innovation Collaboration Center*, Arlington, VA, USA  
 2025 AFOSR Dynamical Systems and Control Theory Review
- 2025 **When do Koopman embeddings exist?**, *Workshop: Koopman Operator Theory: Fundamentals, Approximations, and Applications 2*, Cres, Croatia
- 2025 **On Professor Smale's legacy for asymptotic stability theory**, *Smale@95: A Conference in Honor of Steve Smale*, Simons Institute, Berkeley, CA, USA ([link](#))
- 2025 **When do Koopman embeddings exist?**, *SIAM Conference on Applications of Dynamical Systems*, Denver, CO, USA  
 Minisymposium: Theory of Koopman Operators for Data Driven Dynamical Systems
- 2025 **On the capabilities and limitations of autoencoders**, *Joint Mathematics Meetings*, Seattle, WA, USA  
 with Eduardo D. Sontag  
 Special session: Control theory and artificial intelligence
- 2024 **Obstructions to feedback stabilization**, *Basic Research Innovation Collaboration Center*, Arlington, VA, USA  
 2024 AFOSR Dynamical Systems and Control Theory Review
- 2024 **Identifying engineering (im)possibilities with geometry and topology**, *University of Delaware*, Newark, DE, USA  
 Electrical and Computer Engineering Spring Seminar Series
- 2024 **Linearizability of dynamical systems by embeddings**, *Joint Mathematics Meetings*, San Francisco, CA, USA  
 Minisymposium: Geometry and Symmetry in Differential Equations, Control, and Applications
- 2023 **Discovering engineering (im)possibilities with geometry and topology**, *Johns Hopkins University Applied Physics Laboratory*, Baltimore, MD, USA
- 2023 **Discovering engineering (im)possibilities with geometry and topology**, *University of Pennsylvania*, Philadelphia, PA, USA  
 GRASP SFI Seminar ([link](#))
- 2023 **Asymptotic stabilizability**, *Banff International Research Station*, Banff, AB, Canada  
 Workshop: Geometry, Topology and Control System Design ([link](#))
- 2022 **Existence and uniqueness of Koopman eigenfunctions near stable equilibria and limit cycles**, *International Symposium on Nonlinear Theory and Its Applications*, online

- 2022 **Negative resistance in small-noise dynamics via persistent homology**, *Indian Institute of Technology Bombay*, online  
SysConTalks
- 2022 **Nonlinear systems**, *University of Michigan*, Ann Arbor, MI
- 2022 **Large deviations, persistent homology, and Brownian conductors with negative resistance**, *Cornell University*, online  
Probability Seminar
- 2022 **When can hybrid systems operate safely?**, *University of Michigan*, online  
Control Seminar
- 2022 **Flux in small noise dynamics: persistence and negative resistance**, *Brown University, Division of Applied Mathematics*, online
- 2021 **Flux in small noise dynamics: negative resistance and persistence**, *University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign*, online  
Mathematical Biology Seminar
- 2021 **When and how are hybrid dynamical systems conjugate to their classical quotients?**,  
*SIAM Conference on Control and its Applications*, online  
with Samuel A. Burden  
Minisymposium: Physically grounded semantics for programming hybrid dynamical systems
- 2021 **Toward a physically grounded type theory for robot task composition**, *IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation*, online  
with Daniel E. Koditschek and Paul Gustafson  
Workshop: Compositional robotics: mathematics and tools
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with Daniel E. Koditschek and Paul Gustafson  
Workshop: Compositional robotics: mathematics and tools
- 2021 **Small noise dynamics, persistence, and negative resistance**, *SIAM Conference on Applications of Dynamical Systems*, online  
with Yuliy Baryshnikov  
Minisymposium: Stochastic oscillators
- 2021 **Flux in tilted potential systems: negative resistance and persistence**, *Army Research Office SLICE MURI W911NF-18-1-032 Group Meeting*, online
- 2021 **Towards a Conley theory for hybrid dynamical systems**, *Rutgers University*, online  
TRIPODS/DATA-INSPIRE Workshop: Dynamics, Topology, and Robotic Control
- 2021 **Hierarchical composition via collapse of dimension in dynamical systems**, *ETH Zürich*, online  
Series: Autonomy Talks
- 2021 **Existence and uniqueness of global linearizing coordinates**, *Army Research Lab*, online  
Representing the MURI group funded by Army Research Office MURI 911NF-17-1-0306
- 2021 **Safety and stabilization: necessary conditions**, *Army Research Office SLICE MURI W911NF-18-1-032 Group Meeting*, online
- 2021 **Necessary conditions for feedback stabilization and safety**, *University of Pennsylvania*, online  
Kod\*Lab Research Seminar

- 2020 **Proving periodic orbits exist: global continuation and Lyapunov 1-forms**, *Invited Talk, University of Pennsylvania*, online  
Graduate Research Seminar in Applied Topology
- 2020 **Proving periodic orbits exist: Lyapunov 1-forms and global continuation**, *University of Pennsylvania*, online  
Kod\*Lab Research Seminar
- 2020 **Geometry and dynamics of circulant systems**, *AMS sectional meeting*, online  
with Anthony M. Bloch (speaker)  
Special session: Geometric dynamics
- 2020 **Conley's fundamental theorem for a class of hybrid systems**, *Army Research Office SLICE MURI W911NF-18-1-032 Group Meeting*, online
- 2020 **Conley's fundamental theorem for a class of hybrid systems**, *University of Pennsylvania*, online  
Kod\*Lab Research Seminar
- 2020 **Toward a task planning theory for robot hybrid dynamics**, *Casa Matemática Oaxaca*, online  
Workshop: Topological complexity and motion planning
- 2020 **Isochrons from short, noisy data**, *Dynamics Days Europe*, online  
with Simon Wilshin, Clayton Scott, and Shai Revzen  
Minisymposium: Stochastic oscillators
- 2019 **Invariant manifolds, locomotion, and the Koopman operator**, *Invited Talk, University of Pennsylvania*, Philadelphia, PA  
Chaudhari Research Group Seminar
- 2019 **Templates, anchors, and normally hyperbolic invariant manifolds**, *Invited Talk, University of Pennsylvania*, Philadelphia, PA  
DAIR Lab Research Seminar
- 2019 **Templates, anchors, and normally hyperbolic invariant manifolds**, *Invited Talk, University of Pennsylvania*, Philadelphia, PA  
ScalAR Lab Research Seminar
- 2019 **Existence and uniqueness of linearizing semiconjugacies for stable fixed points and periodic orbits**, *California Institute of Technology*, Pasadena, CA  
Army Research Office MURI 911NF-17-1-0306 Group Meeting
- 2019 **Dynamics of circulant systems of ODEs**, *SIAM Conference on Applications of Dynamical Systems*, Snowbird, UT  
with Anthony M. Bloch (speaker)
- 2019 **Reduced-order models for locomotion in the perturbed Stokes regime**, *SIAM Conference on Applications of Dynamical Systems*, Snowbird, UT  
with Shai Revzen
- 2019 **Hybrid oscillators: phase and amplitude in a class of non-smooth systems**, *SIAM Conference on Applications of Dynamical Systems*, Snowbird, UT  
with Shai Revzen
- 2018 **Aspects of invariant manifold theory and applications**, *University of California Santa Barbara*, Santa Barbara, CA  
Army Research Office MURI 911NF-17-1-0306 Group Meeting

- 2018 **Oscillators, asymptotic phase, and reduction of dynamical systems**, *University of Michigan*, Ann Arbor, MI  
Applied and Interdisciplinary Mathematics Student Seminar
- 2018 **Invariant manifolds, asymptotic phase, and data-driven algorithms**, *University of Pennsylvania*, Philadelphia, PA  
Kod\*Lab Research Seminar
- 2016 **A recipe for embedding templates in anchors**, *University of Michigan*, Ann Arbor, MI  
Legged Robotics Seminar
- 2015 **Introduction to homology: towards topological data analysis, pt. II**, *University of Michigan*, Ann Arbor, MI  
Signal Processing Student Seminar
- 2015 **Introduction to homology: towards topological data analysis, pt. I/II**, *University of Michigan*, Ann Arbor, MI  
Signal Processing Student Seminar

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## Other Talks

- 2023 **A compositional approach to certifying the almost global asymptotic stability of cascade systems**, *IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation*, London, UK  
with Jake Welde (speaker) and Vijay Kumar  
Workshop: Compositional robotics: mathematics and tools
- 2023 **A principal bundle perspective on differential flatness in complex robotic and biological systems**, *American Physical Society March Meeting*, Las Vegas, Nevada, USA  
with Jake Welde (speaker) and Vijay Kumar
- 2019 **Is legged locomotion almost smooth?**, *Dynamic Walking*, Calgary, AB, Canada  
with Shai Revzen (speaker) and George Council
- 2018 **Testing an extended ‘Posture Principle’**, *Annual meeting of the Society for Integrative and Comparative Biology*, San Francisco, CA  
with Shai Revzen
- 2015 **Phase-based models of rhythmic systems**, *Dynamic Walking*, Columbus, OH  
with Shai Revzen
- 2015 **Better models of rhythmic systems: predicting locomotion from phase alone**, *Annual meeting of the Society for Integrative and Comparative Biology*, West Palm Beach, FL  
with Shai Revzen
- 2014 **Why the trot?**, *Annual meeting of the Society for Integrative and Comparative Biology*, Austin, TX  
with Shai Revzen and Sam Burden (speakers)

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## Posters

- 2023 **The role of symmetry in constructing geometric flat outputs for free-flying robotic systems**, *IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation*, London, UK  
with Jake Welde (presenter) and Vijay Kumar

- 2020 **A mode map representation to predict steady states and attraction basins for legged locomotion on obstacle terrains**, *International Conference on Intelligent Robotics and Systems (IROS)*, online  
*with Haodi Hu (presenter), Michelle Joyce, Simon Wilshin, Andrew Spence, and Feifei Qian*  
 Workshop: Robotics-inspired biology
- 2019 **Principal Koopman eigenfunctions for nonlinear and nonsmooth systems**, *University of California, Los Angeles*, Los Angeles, CA  
*with Shai Revzen*  
 Workshop: Operator theoretic methods in dynamic data analysis and control
- 2018 **Global linearization and fiber bundle structure of invariant manifolds**, *AIMS Conference Series on Dynamical Systems and Differential Equations*, Taipei, Taiwan  
*with Jaap Eldering and Shai Revzen*
- 2018 **Templates and Anchors: a review of notions of model reduction**, *Dynamic Walking*, Pensacola, FL  
*with Shai Revzen*
- 2017 **Asymptotic phase, model reduction, and control of Templates & Anchors**, *Ohio State University, Mathematical Biosciences Institute*, Columbus, OH  
*with Shai Revzen*  
 Workshop: Sensorimotor control of animals and robots
- 2017 **A dynamical systems perspective on Templates & Anchors: some general methods for anchoring templates**, *IEEE/RSJ International Conference on Intelligent Robots and Systems (IROS)*, Vancouver, BC  
*with Shai Revzen*  
 Workshop: Robotics-inspired Biology
- 2014 **Phase-based algorithm for modeling time-rescaling distortion of rhythmic data**, *University of Michigan*, Ann Arbor, MI  
*with Shai Revzen*  
 Engineering Graduate Symposium
- 2013 **A hybrid system provides a robust alternative to a linear regulator**, *University of Michigan*, Ann Arbor, MI  
*with Shai Revzen*  
 Engineering Graduate Symposium
- 2013 **An indoor navigation device for use in GPS-denied environments**, *Ohio University*, Athens, OH, Award: 1st place, EECS division  
*with Ryan Kollar, Christopher Moore, Jessica Belzer, and Matthew Miltner*  
 Ohio University Student Expo

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## Academic Service

### Editorial Activity

- 2025 **Associate Editor and International Program Committee Member**, *IFAC Conference on Networked Systems (NecSys2025)*
- 2023– **Associate Editor**, *Mathematics of Control, Signals, and Systems*
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- ### Other Professional Service
- 2023 **Co-organizer**, *IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation*  
 Workshop: “Compositional Robotics: Mathematics and Tools”
- 2022 **Co-organizer**, *Festschrift in honor of Daniel E. Koditschek* ([link](#))

- 2022 **Co-organizer**, *IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation*  
 Workshop: "Compositional Robotics: Mathematics and Tools"
- Reviewer for funding agencies**, AFOSR *Dynamical Systems and Control Theory Program*; NSF *Division of Mathematical Sciences Computational and Data-Enabled Science and Engineering Program*
- Reviewer for journals**, *Annual Reviews in Control*; ASME *J. Biomechanical Engineering*; *Automatica*; *Biological Cybernetics*; *Chaos*; *IEEE Control Systems Letters*; *IEEE Transactions on Automatic Control*; *J. Machine Learning Research*; *Machine Learning: Science and Technology*; *Mathematics of Control, Signals, and Systems*; *Scientific Reports*; SIAM *J. Control and Optimization*; *Stochastic Models*
- Reviewer for conferences**, *European Control Conference*; *IEEE Conference on Decision and Control*; *IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation*; IFAC *World Congress*; *International Symposium on Nonlinear Theory and Its Applications*; *Learning for Dynamics & Control*; *Robotics: Science and Systems*
- Member**, American Mathematical Society, Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers, Society for Industrial and Applied Mathematics, SIAM Activity Groups on Dynamical Systems and on Control and Systems Theory, Pi Mu Epsilon, Tau Beta Pi
- University Service**
- 2026 **Volunteer**, *UMBC Invitational Science Olympiad*, University of Maryland, Baltimore County, MD
- 2024–2025 **Co-organizer and volunteer**, *UMBC Invitational Science Olympiad*, University of Maryland, Baltimore County, MD
- 2024 **Volunteer, Faculty Meet-and-Greet, Admitted Student Sneak Peek**, College of Natural and Mathematical Sciences, University of Maryland, Baltimore County, MD
- 2023–2024 **Co-organizer and volunteer**, *UMBC Invitational Science Olympiad*, University of Maryland, Baltimore County, MD
- 2022 **Volunteer**, *Females Excelling More in Math, Engineering, and Science (F.E.M.M.E.S.)*, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI
- Departmental Service**
- 2024–2026 **Co-author and grader**, *Departmental PhD comprehensive exams*, University of Maryland, Baltimore County, MD
- 2024–2026 **Adviser, Pi Mu Epsilon Chapter**, University of Maryland, Baltimore County, MD  
 Mathematics honor society
- 2023–2024 **Co-adviser, Pi Mu Epsilon Chapter**, University of Maryland, Baltimore County, MD  
 Mathematics honor society
- 2019 **Volunteer, demonstrations to visiting K-12 students, Philly Robotics Expo (PRX)**, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA  
 Robotics outreach
- 2019 **Volunteer, demonstrations to members of the National Society of Black Engineers**, Detroit, MI, Representing BIRDS Laboratory, University of Michigan; robotics outreach  
 45th Annual Convention of the National Society of Black Engineers (NSBE)
- 2015 **Volunteer, demonstrations to alumni and industry**, *Engineering Graduate Symposium*, Ann Arbor, MI  
 Representing BIRDS Laboratory, University of Michigan; robotics outreach

- 2015 **Volunteer, panel participant**, *Graduate Student Council*, Ann Arbor, MI  
Member of panel of University of Michigan graduate students; answering questions from prospective graduate students
- 2014 **Volunteer, demonstrations to elementary schoolers**, *Bryant Elementary School*, Ann Arbor, MI  
Representing BIRDS Laboratory, University of Michigan; robotics outreach

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## Teaching Experience

- 2026 **Course Instructor**, *University of Maryland, Baltimore County*, MD  
Instructor of record for Introduction to Differential Topology (Math 423/673) in Spring 2026
- 2025 **Course Instructor**, *University of Maryland, Baltimore County*, MD  
Instructor of record for Continuous Dynamical Systems (Math 487) in Fall 2025
- 2025 **Course Instructor**, *University of Maryland, Baltimore County*, MD  
Instructor of record for reading course on Differential Topology (Math 699) in Fall 2024
- 2025 **Course Instructor**, *University of Maryland, Baltimore County*, MD  
Instructor of record for Ordinary Differential Equations (Math 612) in Spring 2025
- 2024 **Course Instructor**, *University of Maryland, Baltimore County*, MD  
Instructor of record for reading course on Smooth Manifolds (Math 499 and 699) in Fall 2024
- 2024 **Course Instructor**, *University of Maryland, Baltimore County*, MD  
Instructor of record for Real Analysis (Math 600) in Fall 2024
- 2024 **Course Instructor**, *University of Maryland, Baltimore County*, MD  
Instructor of record for Ordinary Differential Equations (Math 612) in Spring 2024
- 2023 **Course Instructor**, *University of Maryland, Baltimore County*, MD  
Instructor of record for Introduction to Linear Algebra (Math 221) in Fall 2023
- 2023 **Course Instructor**, *University of Michigan*, Ann Arbor, MI  
Instructor of record for two course sections of Differential Equations (Math 316) in Winter 2023
- 2022 **Course Instructor**, *University of Michigan*, Ann Arbor, MI  
Instructor of record for two course sections of Calculus I (Math 115) in Fall 2022
- 2019 **Guest Lecturer**, *University of Pennsylvania*, Philadelphia, PA  
Graduate course: Dynamical Systems for Engineering and Biological Applications (ESE 512)  
Course instructor: Daniel E. Koditschek
- 2014 **Graduate Student Instructor**, *University of Michigan*, Ann Arbor, MI  
Senior-level course: Discrete-Time Signal Processing (EECS 451)  
Course instructor: Laura Balzano
- 2011–2012 **Supplemental Instruction Leader**, *Academic Achievement Center*, *Ohio University*, Athens, OH  
Sophomore-level course: Statics (CE 220)

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## Mentoring

- 2025– **Advisor of graduate student**, *University of Maryland*, Baltimore County, MD  
Advising 1 graduate student in research
- 2022–2023 **Mentor of graduate student**, *University of Michigan*, Ann Arbor, MI  
Mentored 1 graduate student in research
- 2019–2023 **Mentor of graduate students**, *University of Pennsylvania*, Philadelphia, PA  
Mentored 2 graduate students in research

- 2013–2018 **Mentor of undergraduate and graduate students, BIRDS Laboratory, University of Michigan**  
Mentored 2 undergraduate and 3 graduate students

## Trainings and Certifications

- 2025 **Minicourse on rational homotopy of diffeomorphisms of discs, Kansas State University, Manhattan, KS**  
Instructor: Alexander Kupers
- 2024 **Madrid Summer School on h-principle, Instituto de Ciencias Matemáticas, Madrid, Spain**  
Instructors: M Bertelson, K Cieliebak, Y Eliashberg, A Kupers, O Lazarev, G Meigniez, R Cardona, D Álvarez-Gavela, Á del Pino Gómez, M Theillière
- 2024 **Spring Faculty Success Program, National Center for Faculty Development and Diversity (NCFDD), online**  
Nominated by the Office of the Provost at the University of Maryland, Baltimore County
- 2023 **Principal Investigator Research Administrative Training & Education, Office of the Vice President for Research, UMBC, Baltimore, MD**
- 2023 **Media and Communications Training for STEM Faculty, American Association for the Advancement of Sciences (AAAS), Baltimore, MD**

## Media Activities

- 2025 **UMBC mathematician honored with invitation to Stephen Smale's 95th birthday conference**  
Author: Sarah Hansen ([article](#))
- 2025 **In the world of math, the hunt for eloquent solutions excites these researchers**  
Author: Sarah Hansen ([article](#))

## References

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