

# John R. Mahoney

## • PROFILE •

I'm a rad dad who endeavors to make the world a fizzier place. A physicist by training and jazz saxophonist by night, I approach the world with both an analytic mind and a the desire for a deep pocket.

## • PROGRAMMING •

Python: np, sp, mpl, pd  
GUI / interactive  
git, L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X, beamer, tikz  
ipython, Jupyter, VS Code  
MATLAB  
Mac OS, UNIX

## • COMMUNICATION SKILLS •

**Written:** Wrote and co-authored over 25 papers published in high quality journals (PRL, PRX, PRA, PRE, CHAOS, J. Stat Phys.). Edited multiple articles for colleagues. Refereed for several journals. Read about: [prediction](#), [reacting fluids](#), [quantum information](#).

**Verbal:** Designed and delivered over 35 talks and posters including: Quantum Info Workshop at Nanyang Technical University, Singapore; Conference on Complex Systems, Amsterdam; CHAOS15 at Henri Poincaré Institute, Paris; Oberwolfach, Germany (awarded “[best poster](#)”); International Conference on Flow Dynamics, Sendai, Japan

**Graphical:** Value design and aesthetics in communication. I seek to balance precision and depth with clarity and impact. One significant output of my research on reacting flows is the graphical presentation of an augmented flow topology. My research in information theory was often facilitated by Venn diagrams, a technique I helped to incorporate in my research group. Sometimes, as with my study on self-propelled agents, the result is as much art as it is science. Look at: [topology of reacting flows](#), [info diagram](#), [Poincaré art](#).

## • INTERPERSONAL •

Excellent listener  
Flexible and creative  
Work well in close-knit teams  
Independent worker  
Thoughtful mentor  
Value clear communication

## • PROJECTS •

[Python & Physics course](#)  
[Burning Invariant Manifolds](#)  
[CMPy](#) contributor  
[Simpson's Paradox](#)  
[timesquare](#)  
[this resumé](#)

## • INTERESTS •

jazz saxophone and piano  
soccer, tennis, and hiking  
cooking and eating  
delicious food!

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## • ANALYTIC SKILLS •

**Research:** Connected my work on reacting fluids to several existing fields: invariant manifolds, finite-time Lyapunov exponents, advection-reaction-diffusion equation, catastrophe theory, path planning in autonomous vehicles, differential geometry.

**Critical Thinking:** Reframed an assumption in the literature to create a fruitful research avenue - *crypticity and cryptic order*.

**Data:** Created Python pipeline for data on diabetes patients: clean, process, analyze (multiple pair lagged regression), visualize.

## • WORK EXPERIENCE •

<b>Fall 2020</b>	Math Specialist: UC Davis
<b>Summer 2020</b>	Course Designer and Instructor: UC Davis
<b>Oct 2019</b>	Math Lecturer: Napa Valley College
<b>Spring 2019</b>	Physics Lecturer: UC Davis
<b>Fall 2018</b>	Math Lecturer: CSU Maritime
<b>2017-2018</b>	Consultant: Dept. Biomedical Informatics, Columbia University
<b>Fall 2017</b>	Spring 2018, Math Lecturer: UC Davis
<b>2015-2017</b>	Project Scientist: UC Davis
<b>2010-2015</b>	Postdoctoral Scholar: UC Merced

## • EDUCATION •

Ph.D. in Physics, UC, Davis with James P. Crutchfield  
B.S. in Physics and Mathematics, CSU, Chico  
attended Williams College for Physics, Mathematics and Music