RUI (RAY) QU

Curriculum Vitae

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EDUCATION

Ph.D. in Computational and Applied Mathematics

Aug 2022 - Dec 2026 (expected)

Rice University Advisor: Jesse Chan GPA: 4.0/4.0

M.A. in Computational and Applied Mathematics

Aug 2022 - Dec 2024 Rice University Advisor: Jesse Chan GPA: 4.0/4.0

B.S. in Statistics and Analytics

B.S. in Mathematics

Aug 2018 - Aug 2021

The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

GPA: 3.96/4.0 (Highest Distinction)

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Reduced Order Modeling, Numerical Methods for PDEs, Mathematical Physics

EXPERIENCE/EMPLOYMENT

Chan Research Group, Rice University Department of CMOR

Jan 2023 - Present PI: Dr. Jesse Chan

Position: Graduate Research Assistant

Description: Extending reduced order modeling (ROM) of nonlinear conservations laws from finite volume methods (FVM) to discontinuous Galerkin (DG) methods with new hyper-reduction techniques.

Group of Applied Mathematics and Plasma Physics (T-5), Los Alamos National Laboratory

June 2024 - Aug 2024 PI: Dr. Svetlana Tokareva

Position: Graduate Research Assistant

Description: Applied model order reduction to stochastic finite volume methods (SFVM) for uncertainty quantification (UQ) in high-dimensional stochastic PDE systems.

Physical Math Lab, UNC-Chapel Hill Department of Mathematics

Oct 2019 - Aug 2022 PI: Dr. Pedro Sáenz

Position: Undergraduate/Postbac Research Assistant

Description: Conducted research active spintronics enabling bistability-based computations within hydrodynamic spin lattices (HSLs).

PUBLICATIONS

Preprint

(in prep) Entropy stable reduced order modeling of nonlinear conservation laws using discontinuous Galerkin methods. Ray Qu, Akil Narayan, Jesse Chan.

Thesis

Entropy stable reduced order modeling of nonlinear conservation laws using discontinuous Galerkin methods. Ray Qu. Master's Thesis, Rice University.

AWARDS AND HONORS

2025 SIAM CSE Student Travel Award 2024 MORe Travel Award 2024 Alan Weiser Memorial Travel Award 2021 UNC Summer Graduation Scholarship

CONFERENCE AND INVITED TALKS

Talks

Entropy stable reduced order modeling of nonlinear conservation laws using DG methods Oct 2024, Houston, TX RTG-NASC Annual Workshop

Jul 2024, Vancouver, Canada 16th World Congress on Computational Mechanics (WCCM)

Apr 2024, Houston, TX RTG-NASC Ranch Retreat

Mar 2024, Houston, TX Finite Element Rodeo

Feb 2024, Houston, TX CMOR Grad Seminar

Posters

Entropy stable reduced order modeling of nonlinear conservation laws using DG methods Sep 2024, La Jolla, CA Model Reduction and Surrogate Modeling (MORe)

Nov 2023, Lafayette, LA SIAM TX-LA 6th Annual Meeting

Oct 2023, Houston, TX RTG-NASC Annual Workshop

Attendee

Mar, 2023, College Station, TX Finite Element Rodeo

Nov, 2022, Houston, TX SIAM TX-LA 5th Annual Meeting

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

CMOR 304 Differential Equations in Engineering and Science (Fall 2024)

Rice University, Teaching Assistant

CMOR 527 Discontinuous Galerkin Methods (Spring 2024)

Rice University, Grader

CMOR 302 Matrix Analysis (Fall 2023)

Rice University, Teaching Assistant

CAAM 382 Stochastic Models (Spring 2023)

Rice University, Grader

CAAM 378 Intro to OR and Optimization (Fall 2023)

Rice University, Grader

SERVICE TO DEPARTMENT

2023-2024 Rice CMOR Grad Seminar Chair

Hosted CMOR weekly grad seminar talks from graduate students and faculty.

Member, Research Training Group in Numerical Mathematics and Scientific Computing (RTG-NASC)

Actively participating different activities in the research training group, such as annual workshops, ranch retreats, seminars, etc.

PROFESSIONAL SKILLS

Coding

Julia, MATLAB, Python, Java, C++, R.

COURSEWORK

Research Relevant Coursework

Rice CMOR 510 Modeling Mathematical Physics

Rice CMOR 521 High Performance Computing

Rice CMOR 526 Finite Element Methods

Rice CAAM 536 Numerical Methods for PDEs

Rice CAAM 542 Discontinuous Galerkin Methods

Rice CAAM 553 Advanced Numerical Analysis

Other Coursework

Rice CAAM 554 Systems of Equations and Unconstrained Optimization

Rice CAAM 571 Linear and Integer Programming

Rice COMP 582 Graduate Design and Analysis of Algorithms

UNC MATH 548 Combinatorial Math

UNC MATH 594 Nonlinear Dynamics

UNC STOR 556 Advanced Methods of Data Analysis

UNC STOR 614 Advanced Optimization