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Mechanical engineer with a PhD in Civil Engineering, specialized in developing numerical methods for time-dependent problems, computational fluid dynamics, and computational mechanics. Experienced in scientific computing, algorithm development, model reduction, and data-driven simulations for engineering applications.

Work experience

EAWAG, Swiss Federal Institute of Aquatic Science and Technology

Dübendorf, Switzerland

Scientist, Urban Water Management

Jun. 2024 - Jun. 2025

- Developed an urban water cycle model capable of simulating different scenarios, household behaviors, and policies.
- Contributed to the UrbanTwin project to support decision-making aligned with the Swiss Energy Strategy 2050.
- Applied simulation tools for scenario analysis and policy evaluation.

EPFL, École Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne

Lausanne, Switzerland

Postdoctoral Researcher, Chair of Computational Mathematics and Simulation Science

Feb. 2021 - Aug. 2023

- Developed reduced-order model methods for time-dependent parametric problems and stress/fatigue analysis.
- Implemented model reduction methods in Python using the FEniCS finite element library.
- Applied the developed methods to large-scale wind turbine simulations in a InnoSuisse project for large-scale wind turbine applications.

Universitat Politècnica de Catalunya

Barcelona, Spain

Doctoral Researcher

Mar. 2014 - Mar. 2020

- Formulated stabilized model reduction approaches for CFD and solid mechanics using finite element methods.
- Developed hyper-reduction strategies based on adaptive mesh refinement techniques.
- Implemented numerical methods in FORTRAN and C++ for incompressible Navier–Stokes problems, including thermal coupled and fluid–structure interaction problems.
- Applied methods on HPC platforms using MPI, PETSc, SLEPc, HDF5, and XDMF.

Universidad Nacional de Colombia

Bogota, Colombia

Graduate Researcher

Aug. 2011 - Dec. 2012

- Conducted fatigue analysis for truck suspension supports, estimating dynamic loads and component strength.
- Performed turbulence analysis for industrial pump inlet flows.
- Optimized fiberglass lamppost designs to reduce stress.

Education

Universitat Politècnica de Catalunya, BarcelonaTech

Barcelona, Spain

Ph.D. in Civil Engineering

2020

- Thesis: Stabilized reduced order models for low speed flows

Universidad Nacional de Colombia

Bogota, Colombia

B.Eng. in Mechanical Engineering

2010

Skills

Programming FORTRAN, Python, C/C++, MPI, LaTeX, Vim, Git, Docker
Libraries & Software HDF5, FEniCS, PETSc, SLEPc, ParaView, Matplotlib
Languages Spanish (Native), English (C1), French (B1), Polish (A2)

Publications

JOURNAL PUBLICATIONS

- [1] The Frequency Reduced-Basis method: Reduced order models for time-dependent problems using the Laplace transform
Ricardo Reyes
2025. doi: [arXiv:2502.19120](https://arxiv.org/abs/2502.19120)
- [2] Reduced order modeling of parametrized pulsatile blood flows: Hematocrit percentage and heart rate
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- [3] Reduced order modeling for parametrized generalized Newtonian fluid flows
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Journal of Computational Physics. 484: p. 112086, 2023. doi: [10.1016/j.jcp.2023.112086](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jcp.2023.112086)
- [4] A posteriori error estimates in a finite element VMS-based reduced order model for the incompressible Navier-Stokes equations
Ramon Codina, Ricardo Reyes, Joan Baiges
Mechanics Research Communications. P. 103599, 2021. doi: [10.1016/j.mechrescom.2020.103599](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.mechrescom.2020.103599)
- [5] Element boundary terms in reduced order models for flow problems: Domain decomposition and adaptive coarse mesh hyper-reduction
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Computer Methods in Applied Mechanics and Engineering. 368: p. 113159, 2020. doi: [10.1016/j.cma.2020.113159](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.cma.2020.113159)
- [6] Projection-based reduced order models for flow problems: A variational multiscale approach
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- [7] Reduced order models for thermally coupled low Mach flows
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Advanced Modeling and Simulation in Engineering Sciences. 5: 28, 2018. doi: [10.1186/s40323-018-0122-7](https://doi.org/10.1186/s40323-018-0122-7)