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EDUCATION

PhD student in Oceanography 2023-present
PhD expected: 2026
School of Oceanography, University of Washington, Seattle, USA.
Advanced Graduate Data Science Certificate 2021-present
eScience Institute, University of Washington, Seattle, USA.
M.S. in Oceanography 2021-2023
School of Oceanography, University of Washington, Seattle, USA.
MPhys in Physics (First Class) 2017-2021
Department of Physics, University of Oxford, Oxford, UK.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Graduate research assistant 2021-present
School of Oceanography, University of Washington, Seattle, USA.
Advisor: Georgy Manucharyan
Committee: LuAnne Thompson, E. Virginia Armbrust (both UW Oceanography),
Patrice Klein (JPL, Caltech), Steven Brunton (UW Mech. Engineering)
Developing a deep learning approach for more accurately estimating surface ocean currents from
sparse satellite observations in regions of energetic mesoscale turbulence.
MPhys research project 2020-2021
Department of Physics, University of Oxford, Oxford, UK.
Advisor: Caroline Terquem
Applied a new theoretical formalism describing the interaction between convection and tides
in the convective envelopes of binary stars to predict tidal circularization timescales for late-type
binaries that are in good accord with the available observations, thus potentially resolving a
longstanding open question in astrophysics. (*Terquem & Martin (2021)*)
Summer undergraduate research student Summer 2018
Central Laser Facility, Harwell, UK.
Advisor: David Neely
Developed a MATLAB code for 3D ray tracing of a laser beam as it passes through short-lived
plasma guiding structures.

AWARDS & FELLOWSHIPS

Theodore & Marie Sarchin Endowed Fellowship in Oceanography 2021-2024
School of Oceanography, University of Washington.
\$17,500 additional graduate support over 3 years.
Johnson Memorial Prize for an MPhys Project in Astrophysics 2021
Department of Physics, University of Oxford.
University College Scholarship 2019, 2020, 2021
University College, Oxford.
Awarded for performance in undergraduate examinations.
Gibbs Prize for the Physics Department Speaking Competition 2019
Department of Physics, University of Oxford.
University College Exhibition 2018
University College, Oxford.
Awarded for performance in undergraduate examinations.

PUBLICATIONS

Martin, S. A., Manucharyan, G. E., & Klein, P. (2023), Synthesizing Sea Surface Temperature and Satellite Altimetry Observations Using Deep Learning Improves the Accuracy and Resolution of Gridded Sea Surface Height Anomalies, *Journal of Advances in Modelling Earth Systems*, 15, e2022MS003589. [Paper](#), [Code](#)

Terquem, C. & **Martin, S.**, (2021). The circularization timescales of late-type binary stars. *Monthly Notices of the Royal Astronomical Society*, 507 (3), 4165-4177. [Paper](#), [ArXiv](#)

PRESENTATIONS

Eddy Energy Climate Process Team Meeting (Woods Hole, MA, USA) May 2023
'Deep learning for improved mesoscale surface geostrophic current mapping from satellite altimetry and SST observations'. (talk)

UW Physical Oceanography Seminar (Seattle, WA, USA) Apr. 2023
'Reconstructing surface mesoscale ocean dynamics from sparse satellite observations with deep learning'.

IMSI Remote Sensing for Climate Analysis Workshop (virtual) Nov. 2022
'Reconstructing surface mesoscale ocean dynamics from sparse satellite observations with deep learning'. (invited talk)

Ocean Surface Topography Science Team Meeting (Venice, Italy) Nov. 2022
'Deep learning for accurate SSH reconstruction from altimetry and SST observations'. (poster)

UW Data Science in Oceanography undergrad. summer school (Seattle, WA, USA) Aug. 2022
'Reconstructing sea surface height from satellite observations with deep learning'.

SWOT Science Team Meeting (virtual) Jun. 2022
'Using machine learning to interpolate SSH'. (invited talk)

23rd AMS AOFD Conference (Breckenridge, CO, USA) Jun. 2022
'A deep learning approach for reconstructing mesoscale ocean dynamics from satellite observations'. (poster)

Ocean Sciences Meeting 2022 (virtual) Mar. 2022
'Reconstructing sea surface height from sparse along-track satellite altimeter observations using deep learning: an exploratory study'. (poster)

TEACHING & MENTORING

TA for UW course OCEAN 285: Physics across oceanography Sept. - Dec. 2022

Ocean Hack Week 2022 Aug. 2022
Co-mentored (with Georgy Manucharyan) a team of undergraduate and graduate students new to machine learning on a week-long Ocean Hack Week project using deep learning to forecast ENSO dynamics.

Data science in oceanography undergrad. summer school (UW) Aug. 2022
Prepared and led a tutorial for undergraduate students on the application of machine learning to problems in ocean science.

CODE SKILLS

Python: computational fluid dynamics, physics modeling, deep learning (TensorFlow), data analysis, data visualisation.

MATLAB: computational fluid dynamics, physics modeling, data analysis, data visualisation.

Linux: experienced user.

D3.js: interactive data visualization.