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Research interests

Partial differential equations

Numerical analysis

Finite element methods

A posteriori error analysis

High performance computing

Wave propagation

Geophysics

Electromagnetism

Professional history

Since 2023: **Junior researcher**
Lille, France

Inria project-team Rapsodi

2018 - 2023: **Junior researcher**
Sophia-Antipolis, France

Inria project-team Atlantis

2018 - 2018: **Postdoctoral fellow**
Paris, France

CERMICS

Supervision: Alexandre Ern, Virginie Ehrlacher and Anthony Nouy

2016 - 2018: **Postdoctoral fellow**
Bilbao, Spain
Supervision: David Pardo

Basque Center for Applied Mathematics

2012 - 2015: **PhD Student**
Rouen, France

INSA Rouen and Inria project-team Magique3D

Supervision: Christian Gout and Hélène Barucq

Education

2007 - 2012: **Engineering degree**
Rouen, France

Insa Rouen

2011 - 2012: **Master's degree**
Rouen, France

University of Rouen

Training experience

Since 2025: **Postdoctoral appointment** of Sumit Mahajan
Since 2022: **Ph.D. thesis** of Florentin Proust
2021 - 2022: **Postdoctoral appointment** of Josselin Defrance
2019 - 2021: **Postdoctoral appointment** of Patrick Vega
2019 - 2022: **Ph.D. thesis** of Zakaria Kassali

Project management

2024 - 2027: **ANR JCJC** [APOWA](#)
A posteriori error estimates for wave equations
2021 - 2025: **Inria exploratory action** [POPEG](#)
Propagation d'Ondes Par États Gaussiens
2019 - 2023: **MATH-AmSud** [EOLIS](#)
Efficient offline strategies for multi-query problems

Event organization

2024: **Minisymposium** at [CMAM2024](#)
Advances in p- and hp-, and problem oriented Galerkin methods
with: Lorenzo Mascotto
2023: **Minisymposium** at [ICOSAHOM2023](#)
High-order methods for wave propagation problems
with: Axel Modave
2023: **Minisymposium** at [NACONF2023](#)
Novel discretisation and solution methods for wave propagation problems
with: Victorita Dolean
2022: **Conference** [Singular days](#)
in Nice
with: Maxime Ingremeau
2022: **Conference** [Recontre JCJC ondes](#)
in Inria Université Côte d'Azur
with: Marcella Bonazzoli, Jérémy Heleine and Pierre Marchand
2022: **Minisymposium** at [Eccomas congress 2022](#)
Robust and scalable numerical methods for wave propagation: design, analysis and application
with: Hélène Barucq, Rabia Djelouli and Axel Modave
2022: **Minisymposium** at [Conference on Mathematics of Wave Phenomena](#)
Discretization methods for indefinite wave propagation problems
with: Markus Melenk
2021: **Minisymposium** at [ICOSAHOM2020](#)
High-order face-based discretization methods
with: Alexandre Ern and Simon Lemaire
2020: **Conference** [Recontre JCJC ondes](#)
online
with: Marcella Bonazzoli, Axel Modave and Bertrand Thierry

Editorial activities

Associate Editor for [Examples & Counterexamples](#)

Guest editor for [Geosciences](#):

Special issue “Petroleum Engineering Applications: Borehole Simulations”

Reviewer for the journals:

[Math. Comp.](#); [SIAM J. Numer. Anal.](#); [SIAM J. Sci. Comput.](#); [Found. Comput. Math.](#);

[ESAIM Math. Model. Numer. Anal.](#); [IMA J. Numer. Anal.](#); [Calcolo](#);

[Comput. Geosci.](#); [Geophys. J. Int.](#)

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- [1] T. Chaumont-Frelet and A. Ern. *A priori and a posteriori analysis of the discontinuous Galerkin approximation of the time-harmonic Maxwell's equations under minimal regularity assumptions*. *Math. Comp.* (2025).
preprint: [hal-04589791](#). doi: [10.1090/mcom/4091](#).
- [2] T. Chaumont-Frelet and A. Ern. *Damped energy-norm a posteriori error estimates for fully discrete approximations of the wave equation using C^2 -reconstructions*. *ESAIM Math. Model. Numer. Anal.* **59** (2025), no. 4, 1937–1972.
preprint: [hal-04511867](#). doi: [10.1051/m2an/2025027](#).
- [3] S. Pescuma, G. Gabard, T. Chaumont-Frelet, and A. Modave. *A hybridizable Discontinuous Galerkin method with transmission variables for time-harmonic wave problems in heterogeneous media*. *J. Comp. Phys.* **534** (2025), 114009.
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- [4] T. Chaumont-Frelet, J. Gedicke, and L. Mascotto. *Generalised gradients for virtual elements and applications to a posteriori error analysis*. *Math. Comp.* (2025).
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- [5] T. Chaumont-Frelet. *An equilibrated estimator for mixed finite element discretizations of the curl-curl problem*. *IMA J. Numer. Anal.* **45** (2025), no. 1, 329–353.
preprint: [hal-04177080](#). doi: [10.1093/imanum/drae007](#).
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- [7] T. Chaumont-Frelet and M. Vohralík. *Constrained and unconstrained stable discrete minimizations for p -robust local reconstructions in vertex patches in the De Rham complex*. *Found. Comput. Math.* (2024).
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preprint: [hal-03817302](#). doi: [10.1007/s00211-024-01431-w](#).
- [9] T. Chaumont-Frelet, V. Dolean, and M. Ingremau. *Efficient approximation of high-frequency Helmholtz solutions by Gaussian coherent states*. *Numer. Math.* **156** (2024), 1385–1426.
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- [10] T. Chaumont-Frelet. *Duality analysis of interior penalty discontinuous Galerkin methods under minimal regularity and application to the a priori and a posteriori error analysis of Helmholtz problems*. ESAIM Math. Model. Numer. Anal. **58** (2024), 1087–1106.
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- [13] T. Chaumont-Frelet and E.A. Spence. *Scattering by Finely Layered Obstacles: Frequency-Explicit Bounds and Homogenization*. SIAM J. Math. Anal. **55** (2023), no. 2, 1319–1363.
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- [24] T. Chaumont-Frelet, D. Gallistl, S. Nicaise, and J. Tomezyk. *Wavenumber explicit convergence analysis for finite element discretizations of time-harmonic wave propagation problems with perfectly matched layers author*. *Comun. Math. Sci.* **20** (2022), no. 1, 1–52.
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- [32] V. Darrigrand, D. Pardo, T. Chaumont-Frelet, I. Gomez-Revuelto, and L.E. Garcia-Castillo. *A painless automatic hp-adaptive strategy for elliptic problems*. *Finite Elem. Anal. Des.* **178** (2020), 103424.
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- [33] T. Chaumont-Frelet, A. Ern, and M. Vohralík. *Polynomial-degree-robust $H(\text{curl})$ -stability of discrete minimization in a tetrahedron*. *C. R. Math. Acad. Sci. Paris* **358** (2020), no. 9–10, 1101–1110.
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- [45] T. Chaumont-Frelet and P. Henning. *The pollution effect for the Ginzburg-Landau equation*. preprint: [hal-05104390](#).
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- [47] T. Chaumont-Frelet. *A posteriori error estimates for the finite element discretization of second-order PDEs set in unbounded domains*. preprint: [hal-05008795](#).
- [48] A. Rappaport, T. Chaumont-Frelet, and A. Modave. *A hybridizable discontinuous Galerkin method with transmission variables for time-harmonic electromagnetic problems*. preprint: [hal-05016261](#).
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