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RESEARCH INTERESTS

Energy storage, mathematical modelling, parameter estimation, machine learning, asymptotic analysis

EMPLOYMENT

Postdoctoral Research Fellow

University of Michigan

Oct 2019 - present

Ann Arbor, MI

- Supervisors: [Prof. Anna Stefanopoulou](#) and [Dr Jason Siegel](#)
- Physics-based machine learning for modeling of PEM fuel cells (in collaboration with Toyota Motor North America)
- Lithium-ion battery degradation modeling, state-of-health estimation and prognostics
- Multi-particle models for lithium-ion batteries

EDUCATION

PhD in Applied Mathematics

University of Oxford

Oct 2015 - Sep 2019

Oxford, UK

- Industrially Focussed Mathematical Modelling (InFoMM) CDT
- Thesis Topic: *Mathematical Modelling of Lead-Acid Batteries*
- Supervisors: [Prof. S. Jon Chapman](#), [Prof. Colin Please](#), [Prof. Charles Monroe](#) and [Prof. David Howey](#)

Master of Mathematics

University of Oxford

Oct 2014 - Jun 2015

Oxford, UK

- First-class honours (88%; top two in the year)
- Dissertation Topic: *Mathematical Modelling of the Bladder Uroepithelium*
- Supervisors: [Prof. Derek Moulton](#), [Prof. Sarah Waters](#) and [Prof. Helen Byrne](#)

BA in Mathematics

University of Oxford

Oct 2011 - Jun 2014

Oxford, UK

- First-class honours

PUBLICATIONS

Links to papers and code available at

<https://sites.google.com/view/valentinsulzer/publications>

Preprints and Submitted Manuscripts

- [J10] **Sulzer, V.**, Mohtat, P., Lee, S., Siegel, J. B., & Stefanopoulou, A. G. (2020). “Promise and Challenges of a Data-Driven Approach for Battery Lifetime Prognostics”. *Submitted to American Control Conference 2021*.
- [J9] Timms, R., Marquis, S. G., **Sulzer, V.**, Please, C. P., & Chapman, S. J. (2020). “Asymptotic Reduction of a Lithium-ion Pouch Cell Model”. *Submitted to SIAM Journal on Applied Mathematics*.

- [J8] **Sulzer, V.**, Marquis, S. G., Timms, R., Robinson, M., & Chapman, S. J. (2019). “Python Battery Mathematical Modelling (PyBaMM)” *Submitted to Journal of Open Research Software*.

Journal Articles

- [J7] Marquis, S. G., Timms, R., **Sulzer, V.**, Please, C. P., & Chapman, S. J. (2020). “A Suite of Reduced-Order Models of a Single-Layer Lithium-ion Pouch Cell”. *Journal of the Electrochemical Society*, 167(14), 140513.
- [J6] Tranter, T. G., Timms, R., Heenan, T., Marquis, S., **Sulzer, V.**, Jnawali, A., Kok, M. D., Please, C. P., Chapman, S. J., Shearing, P. R. and Brett, D. (2020). “Probing heterogeneity in Li-ion batteries with coupled multiscale models of electrochemistry and thermal transport using tomographic domains”. *Journal of the Electrochemical Society*, 167(11), 110538.
- [J5] Mohtat, P., Lee, S., **Sulzer, V.**, Siegel, J. B., & Stefanopoulou, A. G. (2020). “Differential Expansion and Voltage Model for Li-ion Batteries at Practical Charging Rates” *Journal of The Electrochemical Society*, 167(11), 110561.
- [J4] Marquis, S. G., **Sulzer, V.**, Timms, R., Please, C. P., & Chapman, S. J. (2019). “An asymptotic derivation of a single particle model with electrolyte”. *Journal of The Electrochemical Society*, 166(15), A3693-A3706.
- [J3] **Sulzer, V.**, Chapman, S. J., Please, C. P., Howey, D. A., & Monroe, C. W. (2019). “Faster Lead-Acid Battery Simulations from Porous Electrode Theory: I. Physical Model”. *Journal of The Electrochemical Society*, 166(12), A2363-A2371.
- [J2] **Sulzer, V.**, Chapman, S. J., Please, C. P., Howey, D. A., & Monroe, C. W. (2019). “Faster Lead-Acid Battery Simulations from Porous Electrode Theory: II. Asymptotic Analysis”. *Journal of The Electrochemical Society*, 166(12), A2372-A2382.
- [J1] Moulton, D. E., **Sulzer, V.**, Apodaca, G., Byrne, H. M., & Waters, S. L. (2016). “Mathematical modelling of stretch-induced membrane traffic in bladder umbrella cells”. *Journal of Theoretical Biology*, 409, 115-132.

Other Articles

- [O1] Howey, D. A., Roberts, S. A., Viswanathan, V., Mistry, A., Beuse, M., Khoo, E., DeCaluwe, S. C., & **Sulzer, V.** (2020)., ”Free Radicals: Making a Case for Battery Modeling.” *Electrochemical Society Interface* 29, 30.

SELECTED OPEN-SOURCE SOFTWARE

- [S1] Python Battery Mathematical Modelling (PyBaMM): Fast and flexible physics-based electrochemical models in Python [pybamm.org]. Co-creator and core developer.

TECHNICAL REPORTS

- [R3] Carter, J., Greenbank, S., Holderbaum, W., Marquis, S., Merino-Aceituno, S., Merla, Y., Millar, R., Please, C., Scalas, E., Shi, H. & **Sulzer, V.** (2018). “Electric Vehicle Battery Degradation Study”.
- [R2] Croci, M., Morawiecki, P., **Sulzer, V.** & Theil, F. (2017). “Classification of Two-Dimensional Gas Chromatography Data”.
- [R1] Bejan, A., Budd, C., Hall, C., Kavallaris, N., McPhail, M., Please, C. P., Roper, I., **Sulzer, V.** & Wood, D. (2016). “How can we better understand drivers of predicted environmental concentrations of chemicals across the EU?”.

PRESENTATIONS

[C12]	ECS PRiME 2020, virtual	Oct 2020
[C11]	Battery Modeling Webinar Series, virtual	Sep 2020
[C10]	SIAM/CAIMS Annual Meeting, Toronto, Canada [cancelled]	Jul 2020
[C9]	International Congress on Industrial and Applied Mathematics, Valencia, Spain	Jul 2019
[C8]	Oxford Mathematics Three-Minute Thesis Competition, Oxford, UK	Nov 2018
[C7]	SIAM Annual Meeting, Portland, OR	Jul 2018
[C6]	European Consortium for Mathematics in Industry, Budapest, Hungary	Jun 2018
[C5]	InFoMM CDT Annual Meeting, Oxford, UK	Mar 2018
[C4]	University of Warwick Applied Mathematics Seminar, Warwick, UK	Dec 2017
[C3]	Oxford University ECS Student Chapter Conference, Oxford, UK	Jun 2017
[C2]	Oxford University SIAM Student Chapter Conference, Oxford, UK	Jun 2017
[C1]	Junior Applied Mathematics Seminar, Oxford, UK	Jun 2017

POSTERS

[P4]	Oxford Battery Modelling Symposium, Oxford, UK	Mar 2020
[P3]	Oxford Battery Modelling Symposium, Oxford, UK	Mar 2019
[P2]	British Applied Mathematics Colloquium, Guildford, UK	Apr 2017
[P1]	InFoMM CDT Annual Meeting, Oxford, UK	Mar 2017

GRANTS, PRIZES & AWARDS

· St Anne's Graduate Student Travel Grant (£500)	May 2018
· SIAM Student Chapter Travel Award (\$500)	Feb 2018
· Sponsorship for the Oxford SIAM Student Chapter (G-Research, £2,500)	Sep 2017 – Aug 2018
· EPSRC Doctoral Grant (EP/L015803/1)	Oct 2015 – Sep 2019
· Gibbs Prize for performance in 4th year exams – top two in Mathematics (£200)	Jul 2015
· IMA Prize for performance in 4th year exams – best in Applied Mathematics	Jul 2015
· Mary Kearsley prize for excellence in Applied Mathematics (£200)	May 2015
· St Anne's Vacation Laboratory Studentship (£950)	Jun-Sep 2014

STUDENT SUPERVISION

- **Mohit Yadav**, IIT Kanpur (visiting University of Michigan), Summer 2020
- **Daniel Albamonte**, University of Michigan, Summer 2020
Daniel is now an Energy Storage Engineer at EDF Renewables North America.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- Fluids and Waves
- Applied Partial Differential Equations
- Elasticity and Plasticity

ACADEMIC SOCIETIES & SERVICE

Society Membership

- Society for Industrial and Applied Mathematics (SIAM)
- Electrochemical Society (ECS)
- Institute of Mathematics and its Applications (IMA)

Leadership

- President, Oxford University SIAM-IMA Student Chapter (2017-18)
- Organiser and Chair, Oxford University SIAM-IMA Student Chapter Conference (2018)
- Secretary, Oxford University SIAM-IMA Student Chapter (2016-17)

Reviewer

- SIAM Journal on Applied Mathematics
- Applied Energy
- IEEE Conference on Decision and Control
- Applied Sciences

SKILLS

Programming	Python, MATLAB, Julia, Git, L ^A T _E X, Linux
Languages	French (native), Spanish (conversational), Italian (basic)