Josh Bevan

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EDUCATION

PhD, Computer Science [Scientific Computing group]

Univ of Illinois Urbana-Champaign, Urbana, IL, Expected Graduation: 2020; Advisor: Prof. Andreas Kloeckner

MS in Mechanical Engineering [Thermofluids Concentration]

University of Massachusetts, Lowell, MA, 2015;

Thesis: "Vortex Dominated Flows: A High-order, Conservative Eulerian Simulation

Method." Advisor: Prof. D.J. Willis

Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering

University of Massachusetts, Lowell, MA, 2013

Senior Capstone: "Autonomous Control of a Hovercraft."

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Research Assistantship Appointment

2016-

Advisor: Prof. Andreas Kloeckner, Urbana, IL

- Investigated extension of Quadrature-by-Expansion (QBX) integral equation methods to volume-type integrals.
- Worked on adapting a Fast Multipole Method (FMM) for unstructured simplicial meshes for finite element-like discretizations

Application of Discontinuous Galerkin and Vortex Transport Methods to Turbine-Turbine Interaction Simulations

2013-2015

Advisor: Prof. D.J. Willis, Lowell, MA

- Implemented a high-order DG solver capable of arbitrary order solution of the Euler equations using Line-DG style approach.
- Implemented high-order velocity-vorticity inviscid solver (2D domains) for calculation of velocity fields due to vorticity by means of Biot-Savart integral.
- Investigated accuracy effects of integrable singularities on computed velocities for both singular and de-singularized kernels.
- Performed validation of method and solver using test cases with known analytical solutions as well as empirical results from literature.

A Parallelizable Solver of Inviscid Fluid Flow

2013

Special Topics Directed Study with Prof. J.P. Trelles, Lowell, MA

- Developed a potential flow solver via solution of Poisson equation.
- Implemented in C with the PETSc library to allow scalable parallelism via MPI.
- Measured scaling efficiency for several test cases. Examined effect of mesh/node conditioning on inter-processor communication and effect on scaling.

Undergrauate Capstone: Autonomous Hovercraft Project

2012 - 2013

Autonomous Robotic Systems Laboratory; Lowell, MA

- Developed closed feedback two-stage linearized control algorithm for navigation.
- Implemented real-time control program on micro-controller using IMU output and remote telemetry over serial radio.
- Created autonomously navigating hovercraft platform with full servo/brushless motor control via micro-controller.

Farnsworth-Hirsch Fusor Project

Van der Graff Accelerator Lab; Lowell, MA

- Designed and built high vacuum pump systems and chambers.
- Modified and built high-voltage and current-regulated power supplies.
- Worked with RF and ECR ionization and plasma manipulation techniques.

TEACHING

Introduction to Discontinuous Galerkin Methods

Spring 2015

University of Massachusetts, Lowell, MA

- Developed curriculum for introductory graduate course on DG methods.
- Created course materials for curriculum: slides, demonstrative programs/source code.
- Performed, recorded, and edited series of 44 video lectures covering course material.
- Video lectures available online at: www.bit.ly/IntroDG

Programming Language Proficiency

- Skilled: MATLAB
- Proficient: Python (particularly scientific computing packages like Numpy/SciPy)
- Acceptable: C/C++/Fortran

PUBLICATIONS

J.J. Bevan, D.J. Willis. "A High-Order Conservative Eulerian Simulation Method for Vortex Dominated Flows." 46th AIAA Fluid Dynamics Conference. 2016.

PATENTS

Sizer, C; Bevan, J; Olson K. 2012. Formulation and Processing of a High-Protein, Isotonic Beverage For the Treatment of Metabolic Disorders. Patent Pending.

AWARDS & ACTIVITIES

Andrew & Shana Laursen Fellowship, UIUC, 2016

Society for Industrial and Applied Mathematics (SIAM), UIUC Chapter Officer, 2016

Craig T. Douglas Undergraduate Research Award, UMass Lowell, 2013

Certified Associate in Project Management, Project Mgmt. Institute (PMI), 2014

Founder, Near Space High-Altitude Balloon Club, 2008-2012

Eagle Scout, Boy Scouts of America, 2004

EMPLOYMENT

Engineer / International Project Manager

Dec. 2011 to Feb. 2016

Cambrooke Therapeutics Inc.; Ayer, MA

- Designed, built, and optimized thermo-fluid processing systems.
- Designed, built, and integrated custom hardware and software automation systems for aseptic clinical metabolics production conforming to FDA standards.
- Implemented regulatory compliant products and procedures (e.g. 21 CFR 11 compliant electronic records system, 21 CFR 113/114 Thermal Processing, etc).
- Managed projects including international market expansion, logistics, regulatory acceptance and compliance, import/export, supply chain, and international distributor management.
- Responsible for new equipment/instrumentation installation and validation.

Engineer

Nov. 2010 to Dec. 2011

JSB Industries; Lawrence, MA

- Troubleshooted and improved the safety, reliability, and efficiency of processing and packaging equipment and instrumentation.
- Created data-driven, predictive preventative maintenance scheduling system.
- Improved production throughput and uptime, minimized production waste.