Josh Bevan

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SUMMARY

Background in computational engineering, applied math, computer science. Versatile skillset in mathematical modeling, numerical algorithms, high performance computing. Experienced with Python, C++, MATLAB, Fortran, FEA/CFD, numerical Linear Algebra/PDEs, parallel computing via OpenMP/MPI.

EDUCATION

Master of Science in Mechanical Engineering [Thermofluids Concentration]

University of Massachusetts, Lowell, MA, 2015

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

Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering

University of Massachusetts, Lowell, MA, 2013

Senior Capstone: "Autonomous Control of a Hovercraft."

EMPLOYMENT/ EXPERIENCE

Senior Scientific Programmer/Analyst

Dec 2019 - Present

Boston University; Boston, MA

- Work with researchers/BU faculty to effectively use BU's Shared Computing Cluster (SCC) at the Massachusetts Green High Performance Computing Center (MGHPCC).
- Support thousands of researchers using >100 million core hours and petabytes of data.
- Work on range of activities including performance optimization, parallelization, and application of numerical methods/algorithms to a wide array of application areas.
- Example projects: optimization of kinetic Monte Carlo code for simulation of crystal formation (Fortran), specialized pseudo random number generator (pRNG) targeted for bulk generation (C/C++), implementation of custom algebraic solver for Group Theory problems (Fortran), optimization of bone cyst image post-processing (Matlab)
- Appliesd wide array of programming languages, parallel tools/APIs such as OpenMP and MPI, and numerical algorithms/mathematical modeling.

Computational Engineer, Freelance Consultant

Dec 2018 - Dec 2019

Joshua Bevan, Massachusetts Sole Proprietorship; Northborough, MA

- Provided diverse engineering and technical consulting to businesses and individuals.
- Example work includes computational modeling for product development, acoustic modeling for manufacturing expansion, and data analysis.

Research/Teaching Assistantship Appointment

March 2016 - June 2018

Univ. of Illinois Urbana-Champaign (UIUC)

PhD Student, Computer Science [Scientific Computing group]

- Investigated novel simulation methods for fluid dynamics/electromagnetics by numerical solution of partial differential equations with high-order-of-convergence.
- Adapted an algorithm for the Fast Multipole Method (FMM) for unstructured simplicial meshes for Finite Element-like discretizations.
- Code developed for heterogeneous GPU/CPU environments using mix of Python, C++, Fortran, and OpenCL.

Exascale Scalability of ParSplice, CDSS Team Member

May - Aug 2017

Applied Computer Science Group; Los Alamos National Laboratory, NM

- Improved parallelizability (MPI) of high-performance numerical molecular dynamics code for future Exascale computing platforms, including:
- Removed serial bottlenecks with separate threaded instances using OpenMP.
- Improved accuracy of predictive task scheduling of numerical computations.

MS Thesis Research: Numerical Solution of Euler Equations Aug 2013 - Jun 2015 Advisor: Prof. D.J. Willis, Lowell, MA

- Tool for simulating fluid vortices, with applications to wind turbine modeling.
- Implemented a high-order-of-convergence Discontinuous Galerkin numerical solver capable of arbitrary order solution of the Euler differential equations in MATLAB.

Engineer / International Project Manager

Jan 2012 - Feb 2016

- Cambrooke Therapeutics; Ayer, MA
 - Designed and led project to overhaul product distribution/delivery to customers, cutting logistics cost by 35%. Modeled full logistics system end-to-end including cost and transit time using historical data, variable 3rd party logistics/warehousing costs, and variable package weight/size. Used Monte-Carlo approach to optimize full model, dealing with non-linear system behavior.
 - 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 etc).
 - Managed projects including international market expansion/distributor management, regulatory acceptance and compliance, import/export, supply chain.

Engineer

May 2011 - Sept 2011

JSB Industries; Lawrence, MA

- Created data-driven, predictive preventative maintenance scheduling system.
- Used Six Sigma methods to improve production throughput, reduce waste.

PUBLICATIONS

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

Bevan, Junghans, Landsgesel, Linck, Pavel, Perez, Ramakrishnaiah, Ramil, Zhou. "Facilitating the Scalability of ParSplice for Exascale Testbeds." International Conference for High Performance Computing, Networking, Storage and Analysis. 2017.

Milechin, Aly, Bevan, Jahnke, Shen, Gregor. "Pragmatic Benchmarking for Research Computing." 2021 IEEE High Performance Extreme Computing Conference (HPEC). IEEE, 2021.

AWARDS & ACTIVITIES

Certified Associate in Project Management, Project Mgmt. Institute (PMI), 2014 Society for Industrial and Applied Mathematics, UIUC Officer/President, 2016-2018 Craig T. Douglas Undergraduate Research Award, UMass Lowell, 2013 Eagle Scout, Boy Scouts of America, 2004