EDUCATION Carnegie Mellon University (CMU)

Jan 2022 Onwards

Ph.D Mechanical Engineering

University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign (UIUC)

2015-2019

B.S. Engineering Mechanics, Secondary Field: Fluid Mechanics

GPA: 3.66/4.00

B.S. Mathematics, Concentration: Graduate Preparatory

(dual degree)

Minor: Computational Science and Engineering

Thesis: Direct Numerical Simulation of Flows Over Wavy Walls at $Re_{\lambda} = 4780$

Experience Julia Computing | Intern Engineer

April 2021-Present

- Deploying deep learning surrogate models for Partial Differential Equations in JuliaSim
- Developing DiffMesh.jl, differentiable geometry representations and meshing algorithms
- Developing numerical PDE solvers that utilize differentiable programming for adjoint optimization

CoreCompete | Data Science Trainee

Jan 2021-May 2021

- Developed logic of conversational AI agent to support collections calls at a financial institution
- Analysis and visualization of inventory forecasting models for an apparels company

Carnegie Mellon University | Research Assistant

Sep 2020–Jan 2021

- Wrote SEM. jl, a Spectral Element based differentiable PDE solver for machine learning research

Argonne National Laboratory | Research Assistant

Mar~2020--Sep~2020

- Computational Fluid dynamics simulations (LES, RANS) of turbulent airflow in urban landscapes
- Mesh generation, setup, and analysis of OpenFOAM, Nek5000 simulations

Argonne National Laboratory | Research Assistant

May 2018-Jul 2018

- Fluid dynamics simulations (DNS) of airflow over windfarm terrains on supercomputers
- Analyzed Reynolds stress budgets in canonical flows for turbulence model development
- Developed Nektools, a FORTRAN 77 toolbox for post-processing Nek5000 simulations

National Center for Supercomputing Applications | Intern

Sep 2017–May 2018

- Initial data generation of spacetime metric for gravitational wave simulations in Einstein Toolkit
- Implemented numerical methods for solving nonlinear elliptic PDEs (preconditioning, relaxation)

Mechanical Science & Engineering, UIUC | Course Assistant

Jan 2016–Dec 2017

- Taught mechanical analysis using free-body-diagrams and control-volumes for Statics course
- Created instructional demonstrations for engineering courses serving 2500 students annually

Research

(manuscript in preparation) V. Puri, R. Balakrishnan, A. Obabko, P. Fischer, Turbulent Kinetic Energy Budgets of Flows Over Smooth and Rough Wavy Walls at $Re_{\lambda} = 4{,}780$

(upcoming talk) **V. Puri**, R. Balakrishnan, *DNS and LES of Flow Over Smooth and Rough Wavy Walls*. American Physical Society Division of Fluid Dynamics 2021

(talk) V. Puri, R. Balakrishnan, DNS of Flow Over Smooth and Rough Wavy Walls at $Re_{\lambda} = 4760$. American Physical Society Division of Fluid Dynamics 2020

(talk) V. Puri, R. Haas, E. Bentivegna, *Initial Data Generation Algorithms for 'Einstein Toolkit'*. American Physical Society April Meeting 2018

ACTIVITIES

UIUC | Theoretical and Applied Mechanics Merit Award

2019

& AWARDS Society for Engineering Mechanics, UIUC | President

Aug 2018–May 2019

Society for Engineering Mechanics, UIUC | Curriculum Development

Oct 2016-May 2018

SKILLS

Programming FORTRAN 77/90, C/C++, Python, Julia, MATLAB, UNIX, LATEX

Technologies Google Cloud Platform, REST API, Postman, Gmsh, Tableau, PETSc, FFTW Computer aided design, woodworking, soldering, Adobe Lightroom, photography