Zhuolin Qu

Curriculum Vitae

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Research Interests

Mathematical and Computational Biology, Infectious Diseases Modeling, Population Dynamics, Numerical Methods for Nonlinear PDEs, Scientific Computing, Uncertainty Quantification

Education

2011–2016 Doctor of Philosophy, Applied Mathematics, Tulane University.

Advisor: Alexander Kurganov

Thesis: Fast Operator Splitting Methods for Nonlinear PDEs Master of Science, Statistics, Tulane University.

Advisor: Michelle Lacey

2007-2011 Bachelor of Science, Mathematics and Computational Science, University

of Science and Technology of China.

Advisor: Mengping Zhang

Academic Experience

2020-present Assistant Professor, Department of Mathematics, University of Texas at San Antonio.

2016–2020 **Postdoctoral Fellow**, Department of Mathematics, Tulane University.

Mentor: James (Mac) Hyman

2017–2019 Visiting Scholar, Los Alamos National Laboratory.

(Summer) Theoretical Biology and Biophysics (T-6), Host: Benjamin McMahon

2015 Summer Intern, Los Alamos National Laboratory. Computational Earth Science (EES-16), Mentor: Carl Gable, Nataliia Makedonska

2012, 2013 Visiting Fellow, Shanghai Jiao Tong University, China.

(Summer) Institute of Natural Sciences

2010 Summer Intern, Pohang University of Science and Technology, Korea. Combinatorial and Computational Mathematics Centre, Mentor: Kwang Ik Kim.

Publications and Preprints

(*denotes authors in alphabetical order, †denotes corresponding author)

Journal

- Peer-reviewed 1. Qu, Zhuolin*, Patterson, D.*, Childs, L.†, Edholm, C., Ponce, J., Prosper, O., Zhao, L. Modeling Immunity to Malaria with an Age-Structured PDE Framework. SIAM Journal on Applied Mathematics, 2023, 83(3); 1098 - 1125. *denotes equal contribution.
 - 2. Florez, D. A., Young, A. J., Bernabe, K., Hyman, J. M., and Qu, Zhuolin[†]. Modeling Sustained Transmission of Wolbachia among Anopheles Mosquitoes: Implications for Malaria Control in Haiti. Tropical Medicine and Infectious Disease, 2023, 8(3), 162.
 - 3. Qu, Zhuolin[†], Wu, T., Hyman, J. M. Modeling Spatial Waves of Wolbachia

- Invasion for Controlling Mosquito-borne Diseases. SIAM Journal on Applied Mathematics, 2022, 82(6); 1903-1929.
- 4. Kurganov, A.[†], **Qu, Zhuolin***, and Wu, T. Well-Balanced Positivity Preserving Adaptive Moving Mesh Central-Upwind Schemes for the Saint-Venant System. *ESAIM: Mathematical Modelling and Numerical Analysis*, 2022, 56(4); 1327-1360.
- Gulbudak, H.[†], Qu, Zhuolin, Milner, F., and Tuncer, N., Sensitivity Analysis in an Immuno-Epidemiological Vector-Host Model. *Bulletin of Mathematical Biology*, 2022, 84; 27.
- Stoecker, C.[†], Monette, A., Qu, Zhuolin, Schmidt, N., Craig-Kuh, M. C., and Kissinger, P. Cost Effectiveness of Check It: A Novel Community-based Chlamydia Screening and Expedited Treatment Program for Young Black Men. *Clinical Infectious Diseases*, 2021; ciab818.
- Azizi, A.[†], Dewar, J., Qu, Zhuolin, and Hyman, J. M. Using an Agent-based Sexual-network Model to Analyze the Impact of Mitigation Efforts for Controlling Chlamydia. *Epidemics*, 2021, 35; 100456.
- 8. **Qu, Zhuolin**, Azizi, A., Schmidt, N., Craig-Kuh, M. C., Stoecker, C., Hyman, J. M., and Kissinger, P.[†] Effect of Screening Young Men for Chlamydia Trachomatis on the Rates among Women: A Network Modelling Study for High-prevalence Communities. *BMJ Open*, 2021, 11; e040789.
- Qu, Zhuolin[†], McMahon, B. H., Perkins, D. J., and Hyman, J. M. Staged progression epidemic models for the transmission of invasive nontyphoidal Salmonella (iNTS) with treatment. *Mathematical Biosciences and Engineering*, 2021, 18(2): 1529-1549.
- 10. Azizi, A.[†], **Qu, Zhuolin**, Lewis, B., and Hyman, J. M. Generating a Heterosexual Bipartite Network Embedded in Social Network. *Applied Network Science*, 2021, 6, 30
- 11. Kurganov, A.[†], **Qu, Zhuolin***, Rozanova, O. S., and Wu, T. Adaptive Moving Mesh Central-Upwind Schemes for Hyperbolic System of PDEs: Applications to Compressible Euler Equations and Granular Hydrodynamics, *Communications on Applied Mathematics and Computation*, 2021, 3, 445–479.
- 12. Thongsripong, P.[†], **Qu, Zhuolin**, Yukich, J., Hyman J. M., and Wesson, D. An Investigation of Human-Mosquito Contact Using Surveys and its Application in Assessing Dengue Viral Transmission Risk. *Journal of Medical Entomology*, 2020, 57(6), 1942–1954.
- 13. **Qu, Zhuolin**[†] and Hyman, J. M. Generating a Hierarchy of Reduced Models for a System of Differential Equations Modeling the Spread of *Wolbachia* in Mosquitoes. *SIAM Journal on Applied Mathematics*, 2019, 79(5):1675-1699.
- 14. **Qu, Zhuolin**[†], Xue, L., and Hyman, J. M. Modeling the Transmission of *Wolbachia* in Mosquitoes for Controlling Mosquito-Borne Diseases. *SIAM Journal on Applied Mathematics*, 2018, 78(2):826–852.
- 15. Cheng, Y. Z., Kurganov, A.[†], **Qu, Zhuolin***, and Tang, T. Fast and Stable Explicit Operator Splitting Methods for Phase-field Models. *Journal of Computational Physics*, 2015, 303:45-65.
- 16. Kao, C. Y., Kurganov, A.[†], **Qu, Zhuolin***, and Wang, Y. A Fast Explicit Operator Splitting Method for Modified Buckley-Leverett Equations. *Journal of Scientific Computing*, 2015, 64(3):837-857.
- 17. Chertock, A., Kurganov, A.[†], **Qu, Zhuolin***, and Wu, T. Three-Layer Approximation of Two-Layer Shallow Water Equations. *Mathematical Modelling and*

- Analysis, 2013, 18(5):675-693.
- Conference 18. Young, A. J., Stager, B., Bernabe, K., Florez, D. A., **Qu, Zhuolin**, and Hyman, Proceeding
 J. M., Mathematical Modeling Transmission of Wolbachia among Anopheles Albimanus Mosquito Populations in Haiti. In The American Journal of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene, 2021, 105(5)
 - 19. Thongsripong, P., **Qu, Zhuolin**, Hyman, J. M., and Wesson, D. Quantification of Mosquito Biting Rates Using Surveys and their Implication in Determining Dengue Viral Transmission Risk in the Greater New Orleans Region. In *The American Journal of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene*, 2018, 99(4)

Honors and Awards

- 2023-2025 **NSF Research Grant DMS-2316242**, "LEAPS-MPS: Development of Novel Multistage Models for Wolbachia-Based Strategies to Control Mosquito-Borne diseases", Role: PI, \$246,620.
- 2023-2024 AWM-NSF Mathematics Mentoring Travel Grants, Role: PI.
 - 2023 AMS-Simons Research Enhancement Grant for Primarily Undergraduate Institution (PUI) Faculty, Role: PI, declined.
 - 2023 American Institute of Mathematics (AIM), SQuaREs, converted to workshop.
 Role: Primary Contact
- 2022-2023 VPREDKE Faculty Travel Support, University of Texas at San Antonio.
 - 2022 Convergence Accelerator Team (CAT) Award, "Developing Methodologies for Spatial and Demographic Heterogeneity in Malaria Immune Dynamics", NSF-Simons Center for Multiscale Cell Fate Research, \$10,310.

 Role: Primary Contact
 - 2020 MIDAS COVID-19 Urgent Grant Supplemental Funding, "Optimizing COVID-19 Awareness and Testing Strategy", MIDASUGP2020-2, \$9,999.
 Role: Co-Investigator
- 2017–2019 Postdoctoral Fellow Travel Fund, Tulane University.
 - 2017 Health Sciences Research Days Award for Excellence in Research and Presentation by a Postdoctoral Fellow, *Tulane University*.

 Evaluated by a panel of judges in health science among nearly 200 presentations
- 2015–2019 Travel Awards, Awarded 15 grants for travel to conferences and workshops.
- 2012–2015 Summer Research Fellowship, Tulane University.

Conference and Talks

- Invited Talks o **AWM Research Symposium**, Mini-symposium talk, Clark Atlanta University, 2023 10/2023
 - SMB Annual Meeting, Mini-symposium talk, Ohio State University, 07/2023
 - 2022 Southern University of Science and Technology, PDE Seminar, 11/2022
 - SIAM Texas-Louisiana Sectional Meeting, Mini-symposium talk, University of Houston, 11/2022
 - SIAM Conference on Life Sciences, Mini-symposium, Pittsburgh, PA, 07/2022
 - AWM Research Symposium, Mini-symposium, Univ. of Minnesota, 06/2022

- The Fields Institute for Research in Mathematical Sciences, Colloquium on Mathematics for Public Health, 04/2022
- Joint Mathematics Meetings, AWM special session, 04/2022
- o Joint Mathematics Meetings, Mini-symposium talk, 04/2022
- Oregon State University, Mathematical Biology Seminar, 03/2022
- Virginia Tech, Mathematical Biology Seminar, 02/2022
- 2021 Middle Tennessee State University, Mathematical Biology Seminar, 11/2021
 - SIAM Texas-Louisiana Sectional Meeting, Mini-symposium talk, University of Texas Rio Grande Valley, South Padre Island, 11/2021
 - Kennesaw State University, Mathematical Biology Seminar, 10/2021
 - Tulane University, Applied Math Seminar, 10/2021
 - SMB Annual Meeting, Mini-symposium talk, 06/2021
 - Utah State University, Applied Math Seminar, 04/2021
 - Texas Tech University, Biomathematics Seminar, 03/2021
 - o Tulane University, Guest lecture on "Epidemic Modeling Case Studies", 02/2021
 - Joint Mathematics Meetings, Mini-symposium talk, 01/2021
- 2020 Tulane University, Guest lecture on "Modeling the Spread of Infectious Diseases", 10/2020
 - SIAM Texas-Louisiana Sectional Meeting, Mini-symposium talk, 10/2020
- 2019 SIAM Texas-Louisiana Sectional Meeting, Mini-symposium talk, Southern Methodist University, 11/2019
 - Georgia State University, Mathematics and Statistics Colloquium, 10/2019
 - Georgia State University, School of Public Health, Population Health Science Seminar, 10/2019
 - Seventh International Conference on Mathematical Modeling and Analysis of Populations in Biological Systems (ICMA VII), Mini-symposium talk, Arizona State University, 10/2019
 - Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center, Biostatistics Colloquium, New Orleans, 10/2019
 - **Epidemiology Seminar**, School of Public Health and Tropical Medicine, Tulane University, 09/2019
 - Fifth International Conference on Computational and Mathematical Population Dynamics (CMPD5), Mini-symposium talk, Fort Lauderdale, 05/2019
- 2018 University of Louisiana at Lafayette, Mathematics Colloquium, 10/2018
 - Los Alamos National Laboratory, Brown bag meeting on disease transmission modeling and surveillance, Seminar talk, 07/2018
 - 42nd SIAM SEAS Sectional Conference, Mini-symposium talk, UNC-Chapel Hill, 03/2018
- 2017 Guangzhou University, Mathematical Biology Center, Seminar talk, 11/2017
 - Mathematics and Science College, Shanghai Normal University, Seminar talk, 11/2017

- Tropical Medicine Seminar, School of Public Health and Tropical Medicine, Tulane, 09/2017
- Los Alamos National Laboratory, Center for Nonlinear Studies, Seminar talk, 08/2017
- 2015 Georgia State University, Guest lecture, "How Mathematical Models are helping Guide Mitigation Efforts to Control Epidemics", 05/2015
 - Graduate Student Colloquium, Tulane Mathematics Department, 09/2015
 - Los Alamos National Laboratory, SFT Brown Bag Seminar, 08/2015
 - The Ninth IMACS International Conference on Nonlinear Evolution Equations and Wave Phenomena, Mini-symposium talk, 04/2015
- 2014 Tulane University, Applied Mathematics Seminar, 04/2014

Talks

- Contributed o International Conference on Mathematical Modeling and Analysis of Populations in Biological Systems (ICMA VIII), University of Louisiana at Lafayette, 10/2022
 - SIAM Annual Meeting 2021, virtual, 07/2021
 - Mathematics Research Communities, virtual, 06/2021
 - o Biomathematics and Ecology: Education and Research (BEER), virtual, 11/2020
 - o CDC STD Conference 2020, Atlanta, GA, virtual, 09/2020
 - o Biology and Medicine through Mathematics (BAMM!), Virginia Commonwealth University, 05/2020 (abstract accepted, canceled due to COVID-19)
 - Scientific Computing around Louisiana, Tulane University, 02/2019
 - o Biomathematics and Ecology: Education and Research, Arizona State University, 10/2018
 - SIAM Annual Meeting 2018, Portland, OR, 07/2018
 - Scientific Computing around Louisiana, Louisiana State University, 02/2018
 - SIAM Annual Meeting 2017, Pittsburgh, PA, 07/2017
 - Scientific Computing around Louisiana, Tulane University, 03/2017

- Posters SAMSI workshop on Model Uncertainty: Mathematical and Statistical, Duke University, 08/2018
 - o MBI Emphasis Workshop on Multiscale Dynamics of Infections, Ohio State University, 04/2018
 - NIH-MIDAS Network Meeting, 04/2018
 - 29th Annual Health Sciences Research Days, Tulane University, 02/2018
 - SMB Annual Meeting 2017, 07/2017
 - NIH-MIDAS Network Meeting, 05/2017
 - SIAM Conference on Computational Science and Engineering, 03/2017
 - 28th Annual Health Sciences Research Days, Tulane University, 02/2017
 - o KI-Net: Collective Dynamics in Biological and Social Systems, 11/2015
 - o Los Alamos National Laboratory, Student Symposium: "Championing Scientific Careers", 08/2015

• Scientific Computing Around Louisiana, Tulane University, 03/2015

Conferences

- Workshops o AIM Workshop, "Multi-scale modeling of malaria", American Institute of Mathematics, San Jose, 04/2023
 - XVIII Red Raider Minisymposium, "Modeling in a Heterogeneous World", Texas Tech University, 08/2021
 - AMS Mathematics Research Communities, "Dynamics of Infectious Diseases: Ecological Models Across Multiple Scales", virtual, 06/2020 - 06/2021
 - MIDAS Network Annual Meeting, virtual, 05/2021
 - o Joint Mathematical Epidemiology and Math Education SMB Subgroup Meeting, virtual, 02/2021
 - Emory TMLS COVID-19 modeling symposium, "SARS-CoV-2 modeling: What have we learned from this pandemic about how (not) to model disease spread?", virtual, 01/2021
 - o Joint Mathematics Meetings 2021, Short course on "Mathematical and Computational Methods for Complex Social Systems", virtual, 01/2021
 - SMB Annual Meeting 2020, virtual, 08/2020
 - Workshop on Modeling the Spread of Infectious Diseases, Tulane University, 02/2019 & 02/2020
 - NIMBioS Tutorial: Network Modeling, University of Tennessee, 02/2019
 - o Joint Research Conference on Statistics in Quality, Industry, and Technology, Santa Fe, 06/2018
 - o 9th Annual Summer Institute in Statistics and Modeling in Infectious **Diseases**, University of Washington, 07/2017
 - NIMBioS Tutorial: Uncertainty Quantification for Biological Models, 06/2017
 - SAMSI Summer School on Optimization, 08/2016
 - KI-Net Conference on Modern Perspectives in Applied Mathematics: Theory and Numerics of PDEs, 04/2014

Service

Journal of Biological Systems, Journal of Biological Dynamics, PLoS ONE, Journal Reviewer of Theoretical Biology, Mathematical Biosciences, Letters in Biomathematics, SIAM Journal on Applied Mathematics, PLOS Neglected Tropical Diseases

Review Editor Frontiers in Tropical Diseases

Guest Editor Mathematical Biosciences and Engineering, Special Issue: "Machine Learning, Mathematical and Statistical Modeling for Systems Biology"

> Tropical Medicine and Infectious Diseases, Special Issue: "Advancing mathematical models of mosquito-borne diseases"

- Organizer SMB Annual 2023, mini-symposium, "Climate and vector-borne disease: insights from mathematical modeling", 07/2023
 - o Joint Mathematics Meetings 2023, Special Session, "Advances in Modeling Mosquito-borne Disease Dynamics and Control Methods", 01/2023

- o SIAM Texas-Louisiana Meeting, mini-symposium, "Mathematical Modeling for Biological Dynamics", 11/2022
- AWM Research Symposium, "Recent Developments in Ecological and Epidemiological Modeling", University of Minnesota, 06/2022
- o Joint Mathematics Meetings 2022, Special Session, "Dynamics of Infectious Diseases Across Multiple Scales", 04/2022
- SIAM Texas-Louisiana Meeting, mini-symposium, "Mathematical and computational models for understanding emerging epidemics and evaluating intervention strategies", 10/2020
- New Orleans workshop on Modeling the Spread of Infectious Diseases, Tulane University, Spring 2019 & Spring 2020
- Clifford Lectures, Co-organizer, Tulane University, 2017

- Reviewer NSF Panel reviewer, 06/2022
 - SMB Annual Meeting, Reviewer for conference, 03/2023

Committee

- Department College Faculty Forum Secretary, Fall 2023 present
 - o Search Committee: Mathematical Biology & Bioinformatics, UTSA, 2022 2023
 - Admission Committee for Applied and Industrial Math Master (AIM) Program, University of Texas at San Antonio, 2020 - 2023
 - o Committee for Depart. Website, University of Texas at San Antonio, 2020 2023

Committee

- External PhD Committee, Daniela Florez, Mathematics, Tulane University, Spring 2022 present
 - PhD Dissertation Committee, Christian Geneus, Biostatistics, Tulane University, Spring 2020
 - o Master Dissertation Committee, Harley Hanes, Center for Computational Science, Tulane University, Spring 2020
 - o PhD Dissertation Committee, Li Guan, Mathematics, Tulane University, Fall 2019
 - o Undergraduate Honors Thesis Prospectus, Rhea Kataria, Mathematics, Tulane University, Fall 2019
 - PhD Qualifying Exam Committee, Scientific Computing, Tulane University, Fall

Coverage

- Media Math Horizons, Evelyn J. Lamb, "Fighting an Epidemic with an Epidemic", Math Horizons, 2019, 26:4, 22-23, DOI: 10.1080/10724117.2019.1574148
 - o Forbes Magazine, Innovation-Science, "Math-Based Mosquito Control To Prevent Human Diseases", January 14th, 2019
 - Los Alamos Monitor, "Solving epidemics with math", October 10th, 2018
 - o The Times-Picayune, "Tulane researchers use math to contain the spread of mosquito-borne illnesses", August 30th, 2018
 - o SIAM News, Research Nugget on "Sustained bacterial outbreak in mosquitoes limits spread of life-threatening diseases", March 20th, 2018

- Poster Judge School of Science and Engineering Research Day, Tulane University, 2018, 2019
 - SIAM Texas-Louisiana Sectional Meeting, 2019

- Others MARC Mentor, Maximizing Access to Research Careers (MARC) program, 2022
 - o AWM and Math for America, Student Essay Contest, Interviewee, 2022

o Newcomb Fellow, Newcomb College Institute, 2016–2020, voluntary association of faculty from all undergraduate colleges to support women's leadership/gender equity and foster faculty-student interaction and research

Teaching Experience

Instructor University of Texas at San Antonio

- of Record MAT 5973: Directed Research (graduate): Summer 2023
 - MAT 5603: Numerical Analysis (graduate): Spring 2023
 - o MAT 3633: Numerical Analysis, Fall 2021, Spring 2023, Fall 2023
 - o MAT 3613: Differential Equations I: Fall 2022, Summer 2023, Fall 2023
 - o MAT 2233: Linear Algebra, Spring 2022, Fall 2022, online
 - o MAT 1193: Calculus for Biosciences, Fall 2020, Spring 2021, online

Tulane University

- o MATH 758: Scientific Computation III (graduate), Spring 2018, Spring 2019
- MATH 731: Applied Mathematics (graduate), Spring 2020
- o MATH 221: Calculus III, Fall 2016
- o MATH 122: Calculus II, Fall 2013
- o MATH 116: Long Calculus II, Spring 2014

Teaching • MATH 309/609: Linear Algebra, Fall 2012, Spring 2013

Assistant

- o MATH 224: Introduction to Applied Mathematics, Spring Fall 2012, Spring 2015
- MATH 131: Consolidated Calculus, Fall 2014
- o MATH 221: Calculus III, Spring 2012
- o MATH 122: Calculus II, Spring 2016
- o MATH 121: Calculus I, Fall 2011, Fall 2015

Guest • MATH 732: Applied Mathematics II (graduate), Spring 2017

Lectures

- o MATH 635: Optimization (graduate), Fall 2018
- MATH 424/624: Ordinary Differential Equation, Fall 2016

Workshop on • Becoming a Mentor, MARC, UTSA, 2022

Teaching

- o Blackboard Assessment Best Practices, Academic Innovation, UTSA, 2022
- o Innovation Academy by Academic Innovation, UTSA, Summer 2021
- o Academic Integrity & Proctoring, UTSA, 2021
- o "Ready, Prep, Teach!", The Center for Engaged Learning and Teaching (CELT), Tulane University, Spring 2019

Mentoring Experience

Dissertation

- Doctoral o Assist in mentoring doctoral dissertation, Mathematics student, on modeling Wolbachia in mosquitoes with fractional diffusion (Tulane, 2023-present)
 - Assist in mentoring doctoral dissertation, Mathematics student, on modeling epidemics with distribution parameters, committee member for Dissertation defense (Tulane, 2017-2019)

- Assist in mentoring doctoral dissertation, Biostatistics student, on characterizing the spread of epidemics over networks (Tulane, 2018-2020)
- Assist in mentoring doctoral dissertation, Public Health student, on quantifying human-mosquito contact rate, paper published (Tulane, 2017-2018)

- David Cantu, Applied Mathematics (UTSA, 2023-present) o Josh Lopez, Applied Mathematics (UTSA, 2023-present)
- Thesis
- Assist in mentoring master thesis project, Computational Science student, on modeling chikungunya disease and quantifying uncertainty (Tulane, 2018-2019)
- Assist in mentoring master project, Computational Science student, on modeling the Chagas disease in the New Orleans area and estimating human risk. (Tulane, 2018-2020)

- Honor Thesis Assist in mentoring undergraduate honor thesis, Neuroscience student, on modeling Tuberculosis progression with treatment, Senior Scholar Award for undergraduate (Tulane, 2018-2019)
 - Assist in mentoring undergraduate honor thesis, Mathematics student, on characterizing the stochastic spread of epidemics on networks (Tulane, 2018-2020)

Directed Research

• Introduction to mathematics epidemiology, two master students in Applied Mathematics (UTSA, 2023 Spring)

Course project

- Assist in mentoring topic course project, on modeling Wolbachia transmission in Anopheles mosquitoes for Malaria control (Tulane, 2021 Spring - 2023 Spring)
- Assist in mentoring topic course project, on modeling Gonorrhea dynamics and interventions on networks (Tulane, 2021 Spring)

Conference

Society of Mathematical Biology annual meeting 2017, 2020, and 2023

Mentor

SIAM TX-LA Meeting 2022

Computer Skills

Script MATLAB, Octave, Fortran, Mathematica, C, R, Python, Maple, MySQL, NetLogo

Software LaTeX, Git, Vim, Inkscape, Gephi, ParaView, Adobe Illustrator, Origin

Other MPI, PETSc, LaGriT, PFLOTRAN