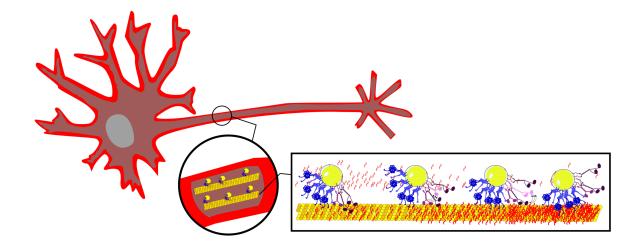
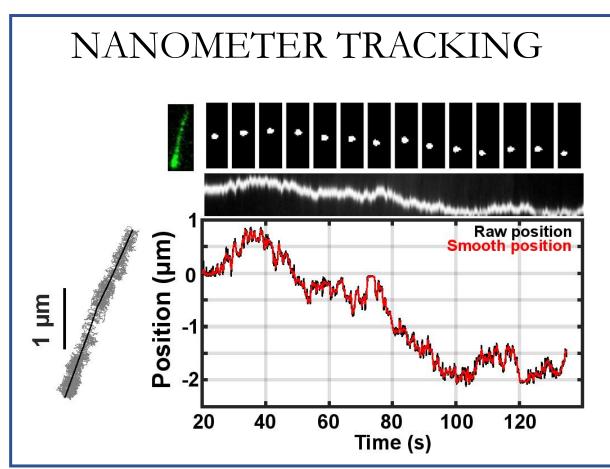
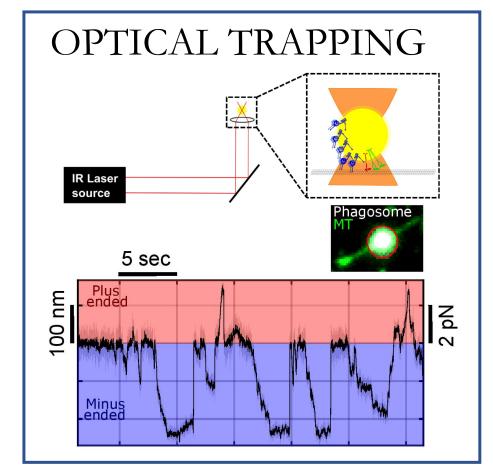
Abdullah R. Chaudhary





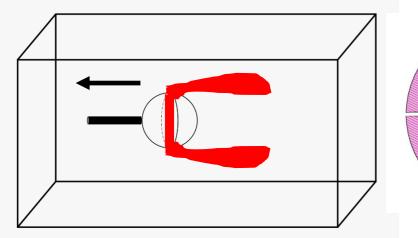


Numerical simulations of complex fluid flows

Adam Binswanger Advisors: Shilpa Khatri, Maxime Theillard

Simulation of dye ejected from sphere pulled through flow

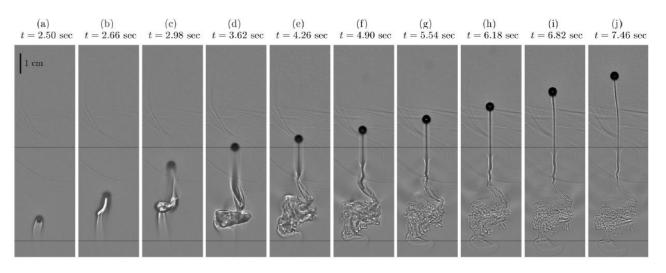
Experiment



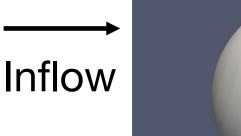
Simulation

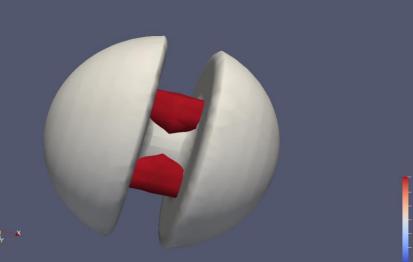
Simulation of rising oil droplets in stratified flow

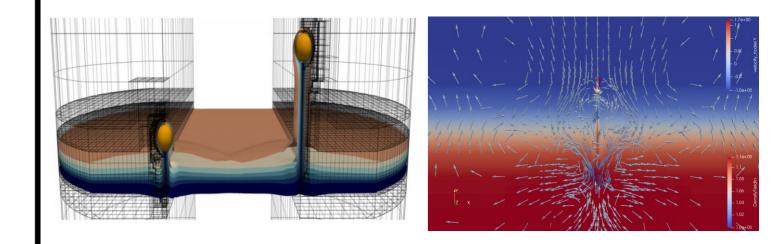
Experiment



Simulation







Applied Mathematics Research Retreat

August 18, 2020

Alex Ho



Background:

- 2nd Year, Ph.D. Student
- B.S. in Applied Math at UC Merced

Advisor:

Dr. Roummel Marcia

Research Interest:

- Numerical Optimization Iterative methods with Cubic Regularization
- Machine Learning Supervised Learning and Reinforcement Learning in image processing, signal processing, and anomaly detection

Experience:

- Lawrence Livermore National Lab Summer 2020
- Air Force Research Laboratory Summer 2019

Collaborators:

Dr. Omar DeGuchy (LLNL), Jacky Alvarez (Applied Math), Jacob Pettit (LLNL), Aditya Ranganath (CS), and Dr. Brenda Ng (LLNL)



Simulating Charged Particle Dynamics with Exponential Integrators

Tri (Alex) Nguyen, Advisor: Mayya Tokman

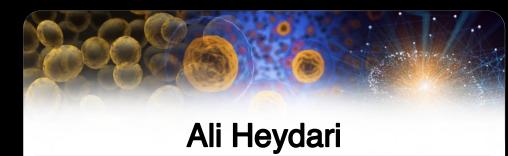
Background Computational simulation is fundamental in plasma and accelerator physics research.

Problem Solving for charged particle motion is a key problem - computationally intensive!

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Research

- Exponential integration offers computational advantages over conventional methods.
- Design numerical particle pushers using exponential integration.



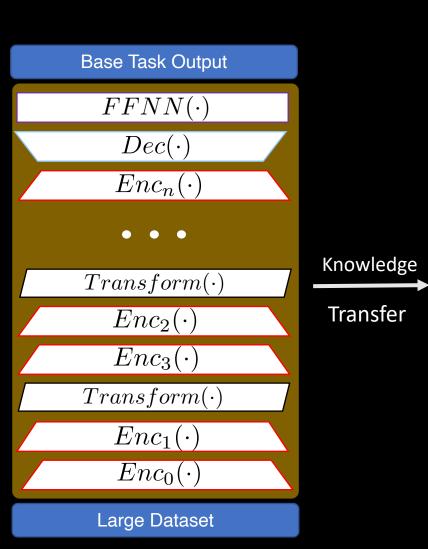
3rd Year PhD student @ Sindi Lab

Interests:

- Deep and Transfer Learning
- Bioinformatics and Q. Pharmacology
- Computer Vision
- Natural Language Processing
- Not PDEs

Summer 2020:

Applied Scientist II intern @ Amazon



One-time pre-training of the deep model (many gradient steps = long + expensive)

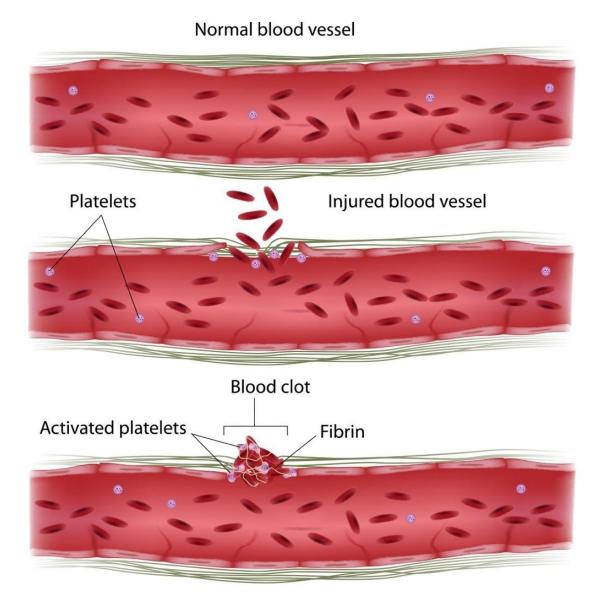
Designing a Pre-Trained Core for Drug ADME-Tox Prediction



tuning epochs (fast + cheap)

AMANDEEP KAUR

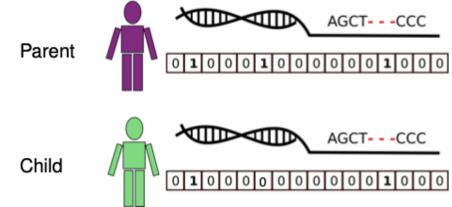
- About:
 - PhD student, 2nd year
 - Advisor: Dr Suzanne Sindi
 - Undergraduate: Applied Mathematics, B.S. California State University, Bakersfield
 - Hobbies: cooking and listening to music.
- Research Interest:
 - Mathematical biology

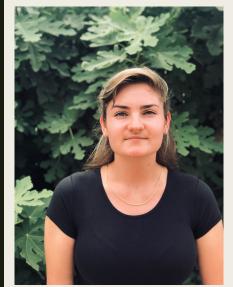


Andrew Lazar



- About
 - Masters Student, 2nd year
 - Advisor: Dr. Roummel Marcia
 - Undergraduate: Mathematics, B.S., California State University Stanislaus
- Research Interests
 - Computational Genomics and Biology, Optimization
- Summer 2020
 - Graduate Student Researcher, Department of Applied Mathematics UC Merced







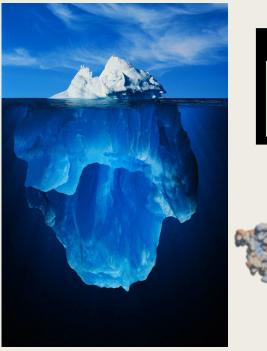


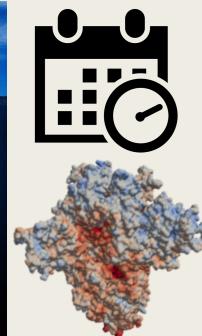
Anna Kucherova

Previous research:

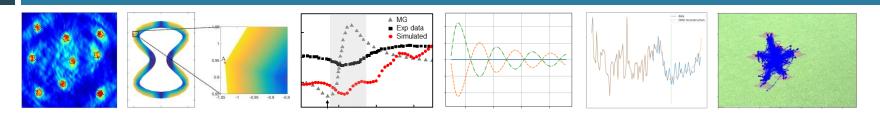
- LLNL Antibody Antigen Binding
- ✤ W/ Noemi Petra Ice Sheet Flow
- DESCARTES University Course Timetabling Project [Merritt Writing Program]
- W/ Maxime Covid-19 Spike
 Protein Features
- Future research interests
 - Optimization techniques in soft computing
 - Data Science/Machine Learning
 - Inverse Problems







Arnold D. Kim



- Arrived at UC Merced in 2004
- Direct and inverse problems for multiple scattering of waves
- Data science for social justice and gamification

Asees Kaur

- Originally from India
- BS in Applied Mathematics(CSUEB)
- MS in Statistics, concentration: Data Science(CSUEB)
- Have worked as a Teaching Associate and a Data Analyst
- Research Interests: Not very sure of what exactly yet, but somewhere along the lines of Natural Language Processing and Deep Learning

Benjamin J. Latham

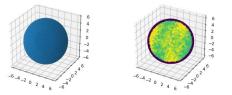
I'm a 2nd year graduate student with a background in pure math.

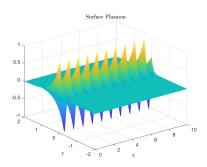


My current interests include:

- Finite Element Method for the study of wave propagation and plasmonics.
- Applications in optics, electomagnetics & information theory.

I'm also part of the Imaging and Sensing seminar and the Clovers Lab.







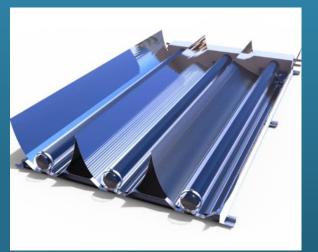
Boaz Ilan

Differential Equations, Asymptotics, Computations, Optimization, Machine Learning



Linear and nonlinear waves





Solar energy harvesting

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Camille Carvalho (Assistant Professor)



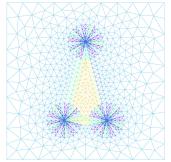
- Study wave propagation phenomena in plasmonic structures (interface problems between classical materials and metamaterials).
- Design new efficient numerical methods to accurately predict the electromagnetic near-field.
- Imaging and Sensing team (wave seminar)
- Special topics class about Boundary Integral Equations (Fall 2020)



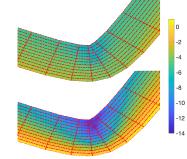
Current members

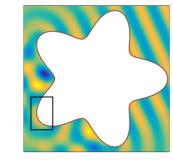


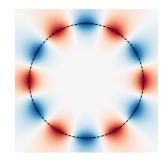
Ben Latham (Graduate Student)



Finite Elements





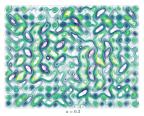


Boundary Integral Methods Scattering problems Plasmonic Resonances

Zoïs Moitier (Postdoc)

Cayce Fylling, 2nd year PhD Student

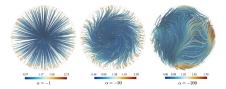




Myself, my partner Myles and our Dogter Lacey

Stuff I like:

- Solving Partial Differential Equations numerically
- When active fluids self-assemble into recognizable, stable or unstable patterns
- Dogs, camping and teaching



Now imagine these things swirling around...

Changho Kim

(Assistant Professor)

Stochastic Modeling Computer Simulation

Mesoscopic description of *dynamical systems* where laws of microscopic interactions are known

- Instructor of MATH 231 Numerical Analysis I
- Admin of the Department Website

Chrysoula Tsogka



Who am I

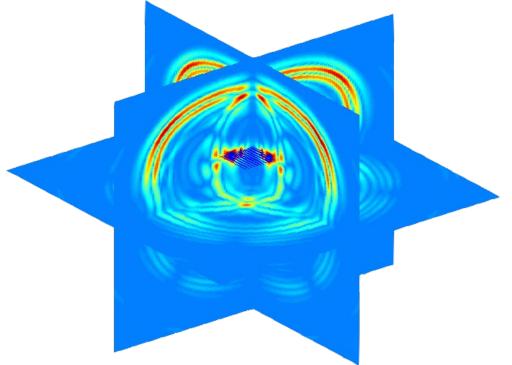
- I am from Greece PhD in France
- Favorite food: cheese (enjoying during the pandemic grilled haloumi cheese)
- Love hiking
- Love California
- Miss the Mediterranean sea

By recording the response of a medium to known incident fields we can extract information about its properties

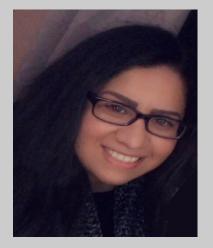
Inverse problems of imaging with waves find applications in several fields:

seismology/exploration geophysics (imaging Earth's interior) medical ultrasound, optical imaging, elastography remote sensing, sonar, radar, satellite imaging Non-destructive testing, structural health monitoring

Imaging with Waves

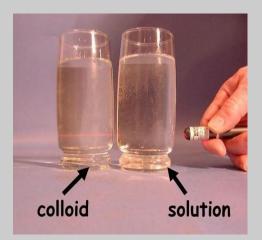


Daisy Duarte

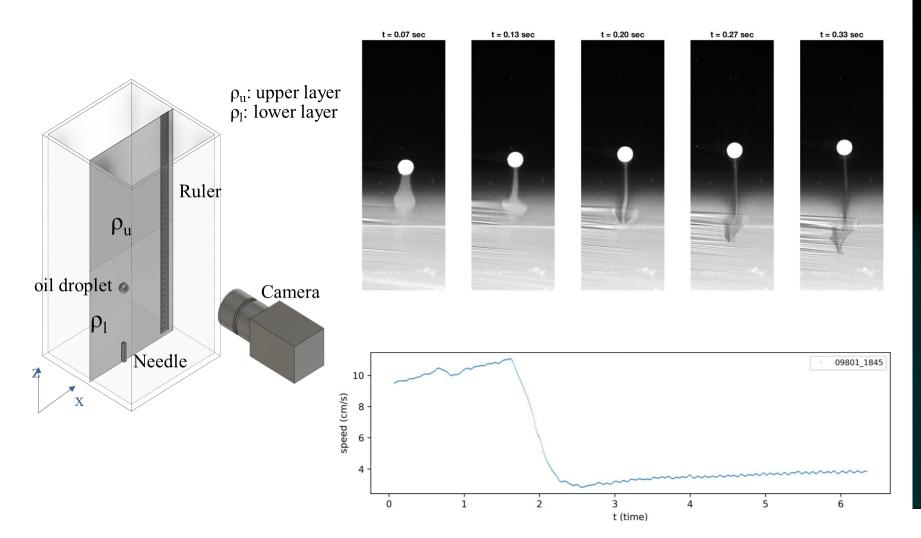




- I am from Modesto, California. I started my studies at Modesto Junior College in 2015 and then continued my studies at UC Merced since 2018.
- I am an applied mathematics major emphasis on computational data science. I earned my bachelor of science this May 2020.
- I have participated in cancer treatment methods research at the Lawrence Livermore National Lab and in timetabling algorithms research for the DESCARTES program at UC Merced.
 - This Fall 2020 we will be researching how multiple scattering of light by colloids which are a collection of nanometer-to-micron diameter particles in fluid, self-assemble into composite structures. The key to study self-assembly of colloids is imaging which is used to determine the locations and shapes of scattering objects.



Behavior of Droplet(s) in Density Stratified Fluids De Zhen Zhou Advisors: Shilpa Khatri, Dustin Kleckner





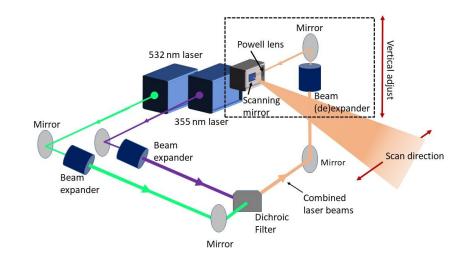


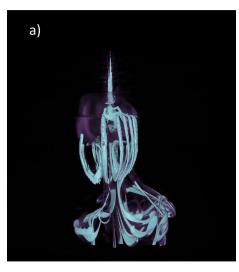
Investigating the transition from laminar to turbulent flow via a two-color scanning VLIF technique

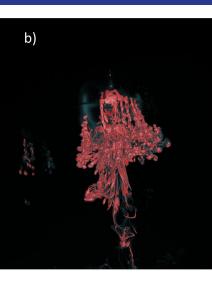


MERCED

Name: Diego Tapia Silva Advisors: Dustin Kleckner, Shilpa Khatri Department: Physics







Academic Background

- First-Year Graduate Student
- UC Merced Undergrad <u>Computer Science</u>
- Undergraduate Research <u>Boundary Integral</u> <u>Methods for Optical Cloaking</u>
- Research Interests <u>Modeling, Computation, Optics</u>

• Fun Pet Pictures





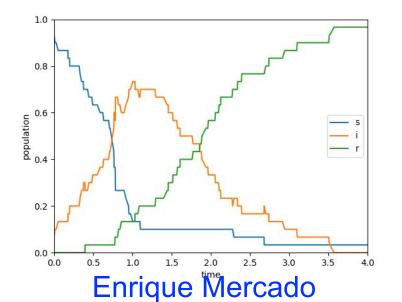


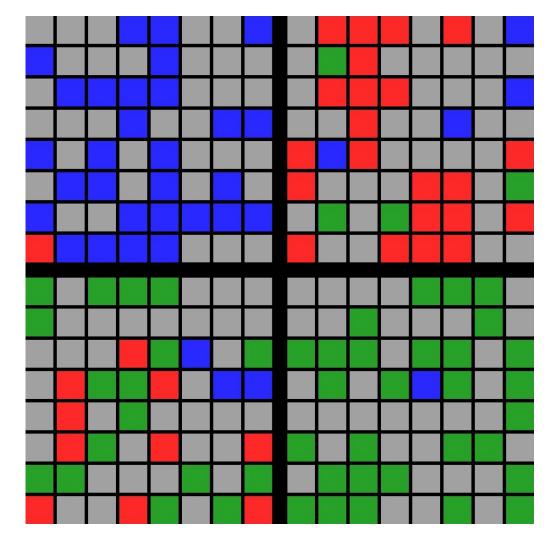
Elsie A Cortes



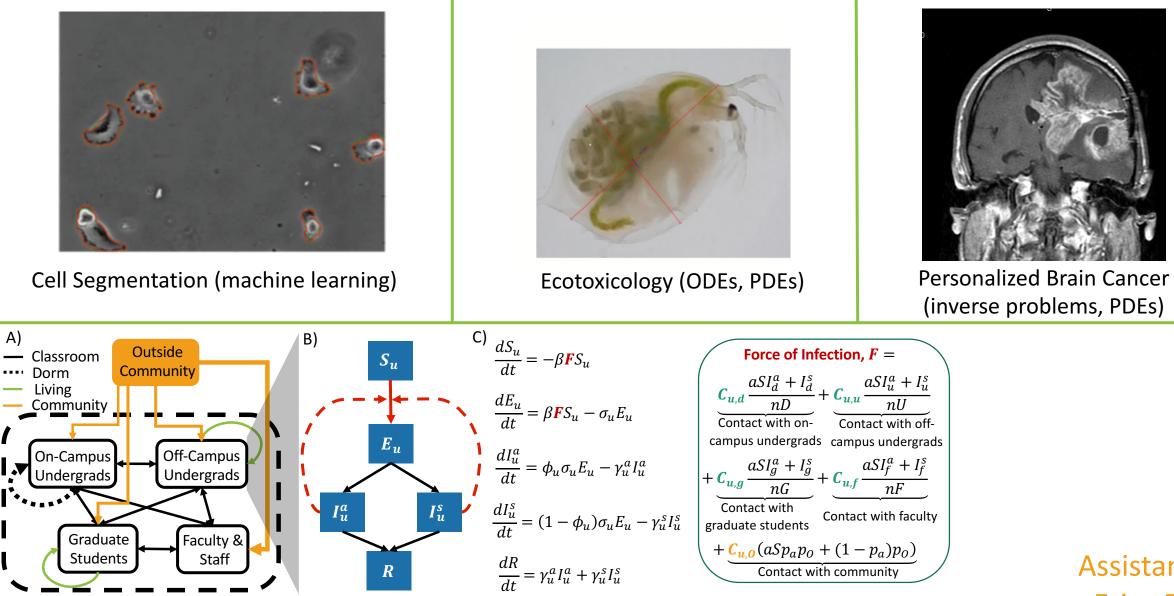
Stochastic Spatial Disease-Spreading Models

- Computational models
- Kinetic Monte Carlo and reaction-diffusion dynamics on a lattice
- Microscopic interactions and agent-tracing
- Variety of compartmental models can be implemented using this model
- Able to run in parallel on MERCED Cluster
- Data analyzed via Python scripts



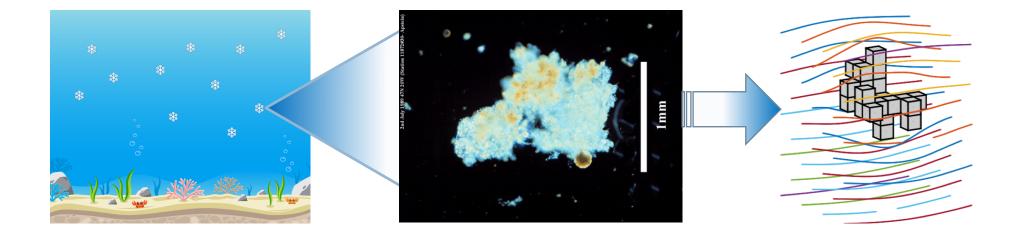


Mathematical Biology



Modeling Spread of COVID-19 (ODEs, parameter estimation, control theory)

Assistant Prof. Erica Rutter



SETTLING OF RANDOMLY FORMED AGGREGATES

Eunji Yoo (유은지) Advisors: François Blanchette & Shilpa Khatri

08/18/2020 Applied Math retreat

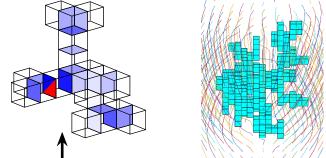
François Blanchette Applied Mathematics



Models and simulates FLUID DYNAMICS

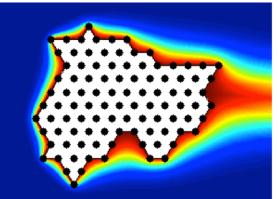
- Systems dominated by surface tension
 - Drops
 - Bubbles
 - Surfactants (soap-like molecules)
- Suspensions of many solid particles
 - Sedimentation
 - Marine aggregates
 - Erosion
- Complex natural systems with flow
 - Marine lakes
 - Huddling penguins
 - Particle clouds

Exp. and simulations of coalescing drop



Efficient simulations of flow past aggregates

Temperature



distribution around model penguin huddle

Dynamics of Pulsing Soft Corals with IBFE

Gabrielle Hobson Scripps Institution for Oceanography at UCSD

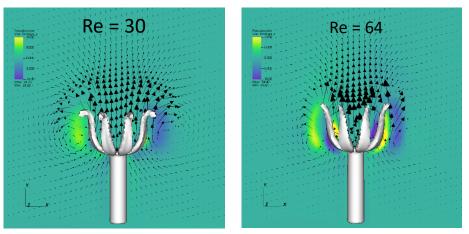
Soft corals of the family Xeniidae actively pulse, generating flow in their surrounding fluid.

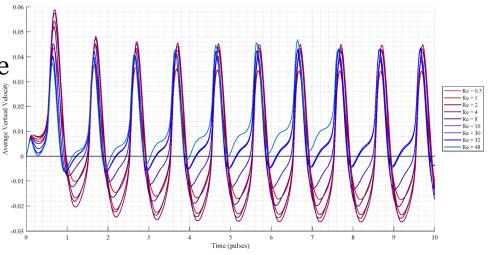
This behavior is thought to increase fluid mixing and enhance photosynthesis of symbiotic algae.

We use three dimensional IBAMR simulations to model the flow generated by the polyp.

We vary the Reynolds number and the resting time between pulses.

Using VisIt, we develop visual and quantitative methods to analyze the how varying these parameters affects the fluid flow and mixing patterns.





Jacqueline (Jacky) Alvarez

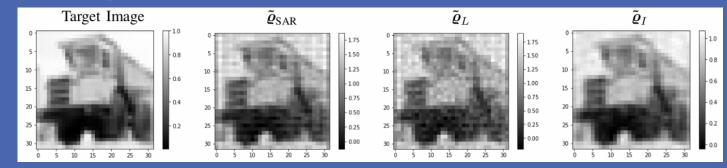


✤ 3rd year - Ph.D. Student

B.S. in Mathematics, Cal Poly Pomona

Advisor: Dr. Roummel Marcia

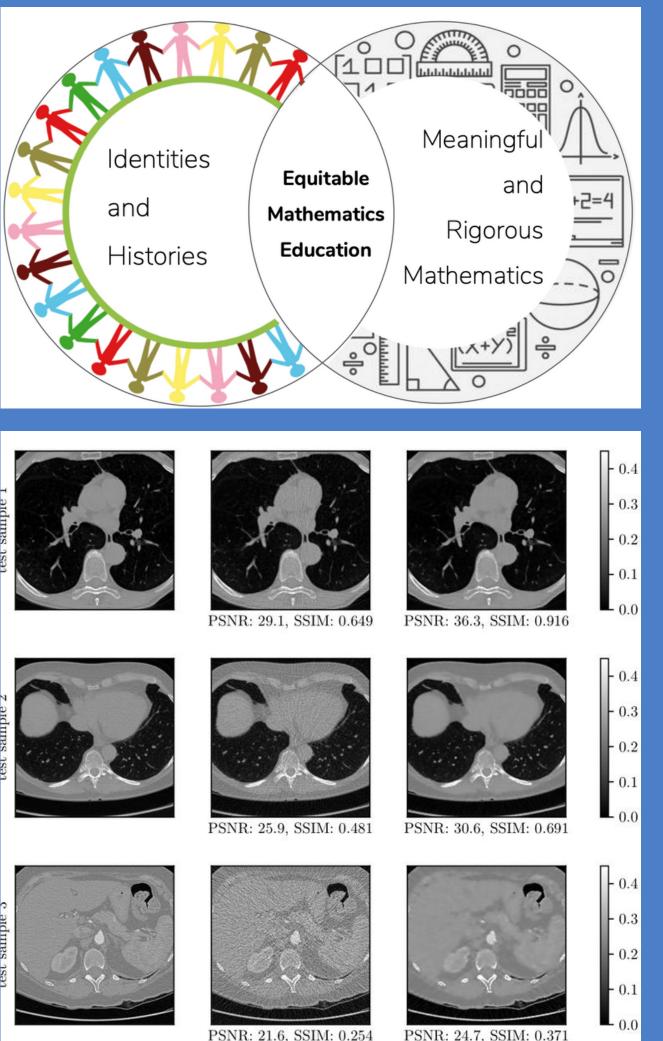
Research Interests: Machine learning and deep learning techniques for applications in image processing such as denoising, image recovery, and anomaly detection.



This Summer:

- Graduate Student Lead Data Science Challenge (collaboration with Lawrence Livermore National Lab)
- Internship Autonomy Technology Research Center (ATRC)

Summer Program (collaboration with Air Force Research Lab)



JOCELYN ORNELAS MUÑOZ

First-year graduate student B.S in Applied Mathematics from UC San Diego

MATHEMATICS EDUCATION

Studied the epistemology of mathematics and its application in the teaching of mathematics to inform the development and implementation of a professional development program to assist mathematics teachers in the development and instruction of a well-articulated mathematics curriculum

MEDICAL IMAGE PROCESSING MACHINE LEARNING

Design of efficient and sophisticated algorithms that will aid in the accurate reconstruction of 3D medical images. Techniques can allow doctors to make more accurate medical diagnoses.

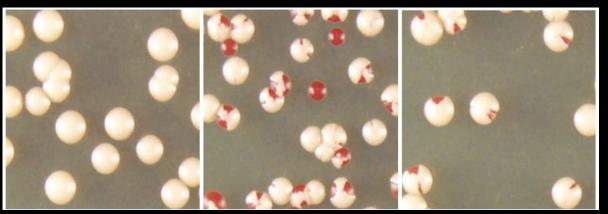


Jordan Collignon

Advisor: Dr. Suzanne Sindi

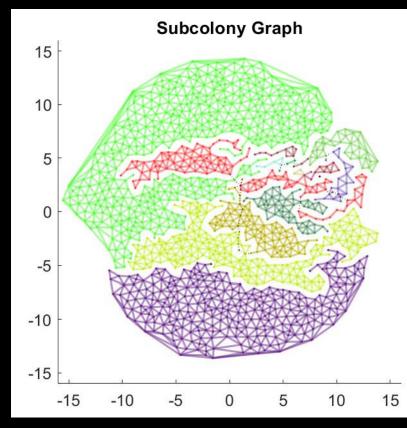
Research Areas:

- Multiscale modeling of biological systems
- Phenotype structure in yeast colonies
- Prion protein dynamics

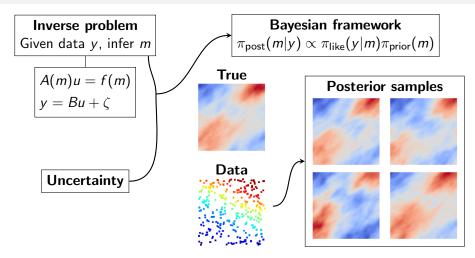


[Klaips et al. 2014]

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Scalable Bayesian Framework for Large-Scale Inversion



For complex large-scale Bayesian inverse problems

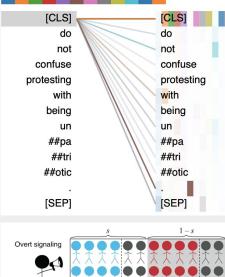
- Develop scalable open-source software
- Employ model reduction + Multifidelity

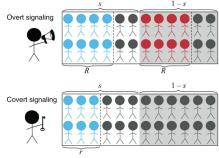
Ki-Tae Kim, Noemi Petra's group

Kyle Wright

- 6'1", ~300 lbs.
- Lived:
 - TN: Memphis (born 1987), Chattanooga, Clarksville, Tri-Cities
 - Minnesota, Mississippi, Kentucky, California
- ETSU
 - Returned to college after 8 yrs.
- Presentations:
 - ETSU (Noyce Internship)
 - NIMBioS
 - JMM
- Math:
 - Optimization, Modelling
- Hobbies:
 - Pool, Poker, Philosophy, and Puzzles

APPLIED MATHEMATICS RETREAT | SUMMER 2020

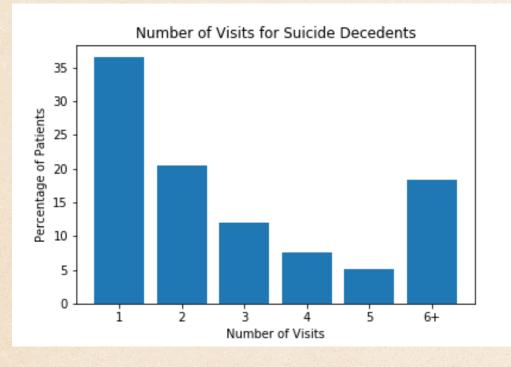


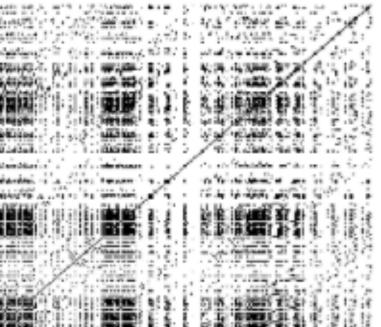


MAIA POWELL

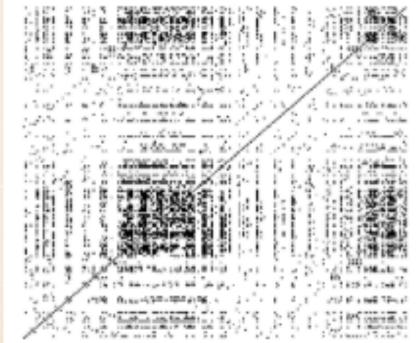
- About Me:
 - Ph.D Student, 3rd Year
 - Advisor: Dr. Arnold Kim
- Research Interests:
 - Data Science, Machine Learning, Natural Language Processing
 - Cultural/viral hashtags
 - Covert hate speech transmission

APPLIED MATH RETREAT - 2020 MAJERLE REEVES PH.D STUDENT, 3RD YEAR Advisor: Dr. Harish Bhat





Research Interests: DATA SCIENCE, MACHINE LEARNING SUICIDE PREDICTION FROM EHRS **CROWD CLASSIFICATION FROM SOUND WAVES**





Mixing and Concentration Dynamics of Pulsing Soft Corals

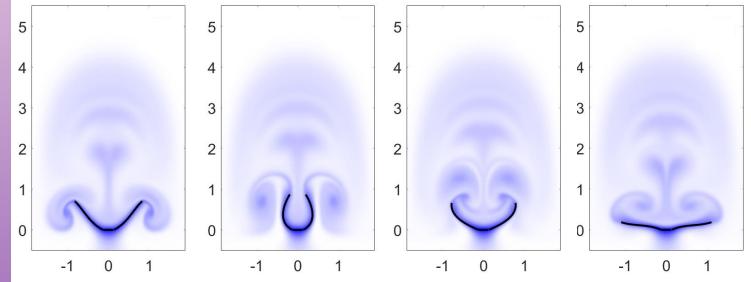
Matea Santiago, Advisor: Shilpa Khatri

- A subset of sessile octocorals actively pulse their tentacles which is very energetically expensive
- An experimental study suggested that the pulsing behavior facilitates photosynthesis of their symbiotic algae and this is the source of their energy
- I use numerical simulations to investigate this



Research Goals

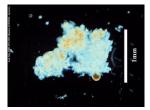
- 1. Model the pulsing corals as a fluidstructure interaction
- 2. Model photosynthesis coupled to fluid-structure interaction
- 3. Numerically quantify the mixing and concentration dynamics of this system

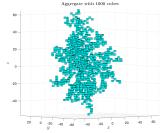


Matteo Polimeno, 2nd year PhD



Advisors: Dr. Changho Kim, Dr. Francois Blanchette



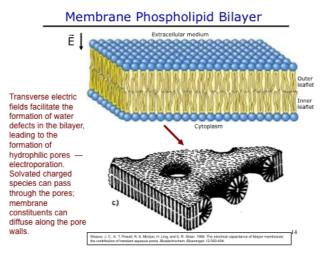


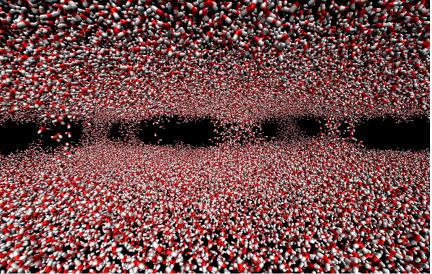
- Marine aggregates
- Brownian Dynamics
- Fractal Dimension
- PBC

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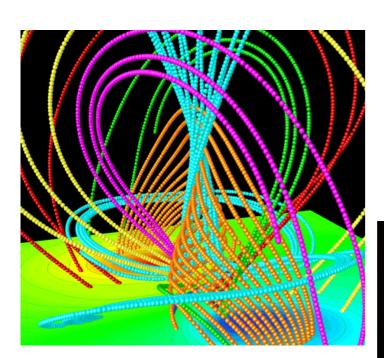
Tokman's Group

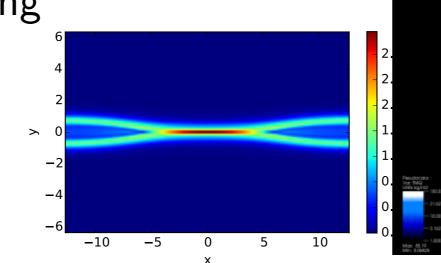
- Mathematical modeling
- Numerical Analysis

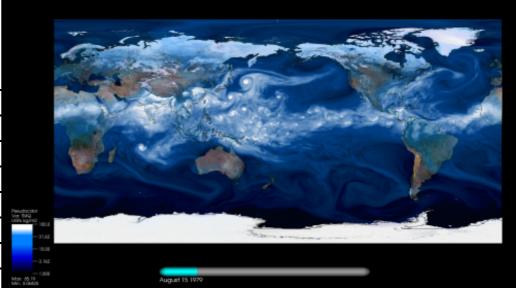




- $Y_{1} = y_{0} + a_{11}h\varphi_{1}(\frac{1}{3}hA_{0})f(y_{0}),$ $Y_{2} = y_{0} + a_{21}h\varphi_{1}(\frac{2}{3}hA_{0})f(y_{0}) + a_{22}h\varphi_{2}(\frac{2}{3}hA_{0})\Delta r(y_{0}),$ $y_{1} = y_{0} + b_{1}h\varphi_{1}(hA_{0})f(y_{0}) + b_{2}h\varphi_{2}(hA_{0})\Delta r(y_{0}) + b_{3}h\psi_{3}(hA_{0})\Delta^{2}r(y_{0}),$
- Scientific computing











Natalie Meacham Research Background:

- Replicating and analyzing ODE models of reproductive hormones under specific conditions (undergraduate honors thesis, Bryn Mawr College)
- Generating, encoding, recovering, and testing for extended memory in Markov Chains (summer REU, University of Connecticut)
- Building a model to evaluate coral reef health given farm fishing (short-term project, Bryn Mawr College)
- Constructing an Excel-based argument to justify the financial and environmental plausibility of bringing freight farming to campus (semester project, Bryn Mawr College)

Hessian Approximations for Large-Scale Inverse Problems

Prototype inverse problem:

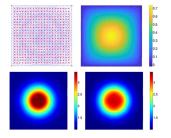
$$\min_{\mathbf{m}\in\mathcal{H}}\mathcal{J}(\mathbf{m}) = \frac{1}{2} \left\| \mathbf{u} - \mathbf{u}_{d} \right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)}^{2} + \frac{\gamma}{2} \left\| \mathbf{m} \right\|_{\mathcal{R}}^{2}$$

where u satisfies the underlying (here Poisson) PDE:

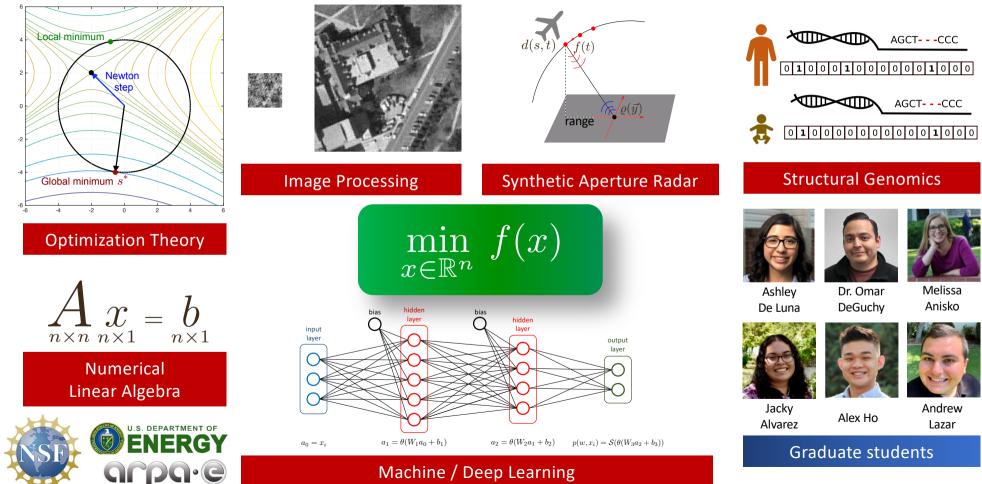
$$-\nabla \cdot (e^m \nabla u) = f \quad \text{in } \Omega$$
$$\alpha u + \beta \nabla u \cdot n = 0 \quad \text{on } \partial \Omega$$

Goal:

- Develop efficient methods for large-scale inverse problems governed by PDEs
- Hessian approximations via quasi-Newton methods and inexact second-order adjoints



Computational Optimization Group (PI: Prof. Roummel F. Marcia)



CHANGING WHAT'S POSSIBLE

Sarah Downs Advisors: Shilpa Khatri & Roummel Marcia

- Graduated UC Merced with B.S. in Applied Mathematics in May 2020
- **Research Interests:**
 - Machine Learning & Neural Networks 0
 - Applications in Climate Change 0
- **This Summer**
 - Worked in Randerson Farth Science Lab at UC Irvine \bigcirc
 - Can lidar data be used to classify forest disturbance? 0

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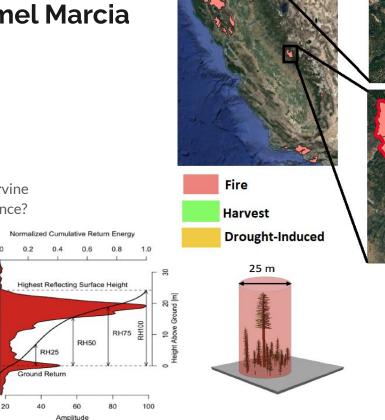
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WGS-84 Elevation [m] 340

Worked on creating & running classification 0 algorithms



Dubayah et al. (2020) Science of Remote Sensing

SCOTT WEST

- First year PhD student
- Hometown: Santa Clarita, CA
- Education: B.S. Mathematics, Cal Poly Pomona (2020)
- Research Interests: Numerical Analysis and PDE's
 - Previous work in the Finite Element Method
 - NSF REU participant in Mathematical Virology in 2019



Sean Horan

My background:

- PhD Mathematics, UC Irvine
- BS Mathematics, BA Philosophy, UM St. Louis
- Former professional fencing coach

My Research Interests:

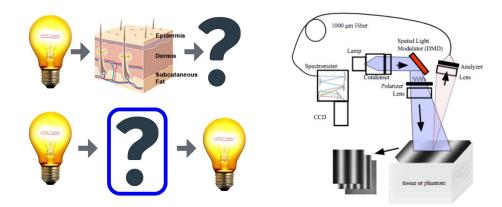
- Spectral solutions to the Radiative Transport Equation
- Applications to biophotonics
 - Spatial Frequency Domain Imaging

$$\nabla \cdot \Omega \Psi (r, \Omega) = -\mu_t \Psi (r, \Omega) + \mu_s \int_{4\pi} \Psi (r, \Omega') p(\Omega' \cdot \Omega) d\Omega' + Q(r, \Omega)$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} A_z & 0 \\ 0 & -A_z \end{bmatrix} \frac{d}{dz} \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{\Psi}^+ \\ \tilde{\Psi}^- \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} -\mu_s P^+ + \mu_t I - k_x A_x - k_y A_y & -\mu_s P^- \\ -\mu_s P^- & -\mu_s P^+ + \mu_t I - k_x A_x - k_y A_y \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{\Psi}^+ \\ \tilde{\Psi}^- \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{Q}^+ \\ \tilde{Q}^- \end{bmatrix}$$

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$$\underline{A} \qquad \underline{\Psi}'(z) + \underline{B} \underline{\Psi}(z) = \underline{\tilde{Q}}(z)$$



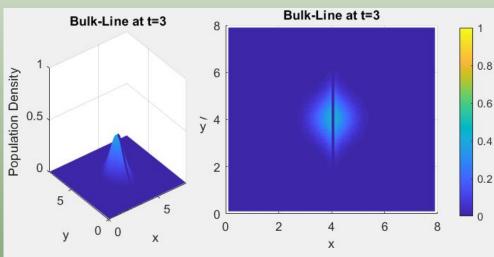


<u>Shayna Bennett</u> Graduate Student, 4th year Applied Mathematics, UC Merced

<u>Advisor:</u> Dr. Shilpa Khatri <u>Research Focus:</u> modeling spatial movement across heterogeneous landscapes using finite difference methods for PDEs, with applications in ecology.

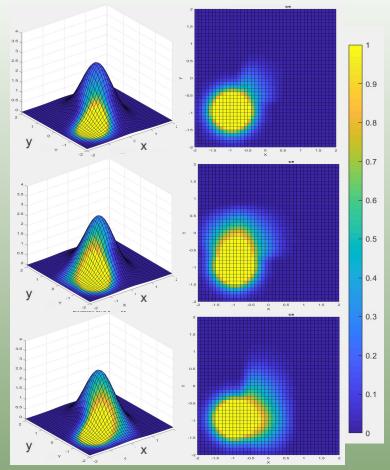
Diffusion in Complex Landscapes

Fast diffusion on a line or network coupled with diffusion in a field or on a surface



Diffusion On Surfaces

Diffusion coefficient depends on the topography of the surface



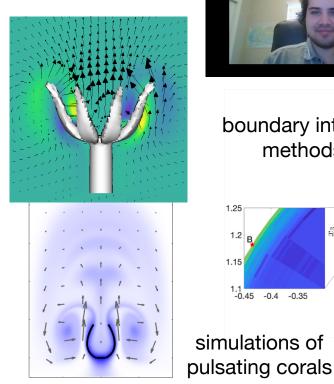
Shilpa Khatri

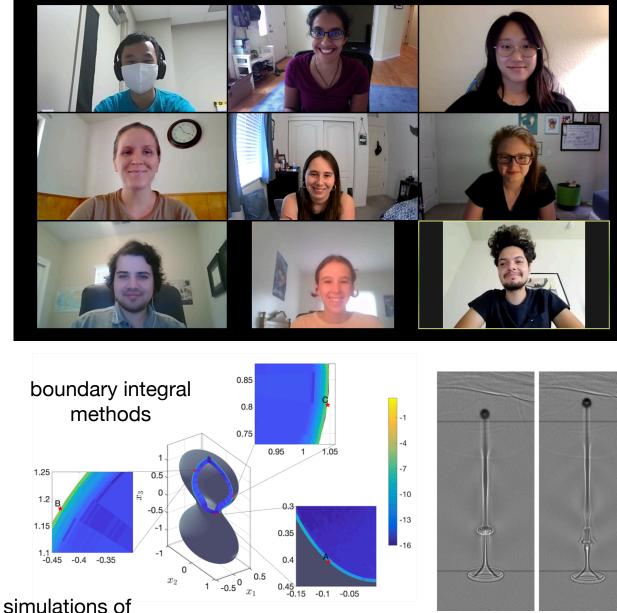
Numerical Analysis and Fluid Dynamics Applications in Biology and Oceanography



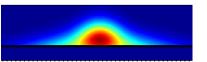


volumetric imaging (MUVI Lab)

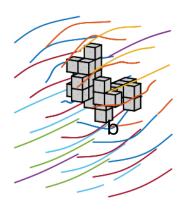




Khatri Lab Members Shayna Bennett Adam Binswanger Sarah Downs Gabrielle Hobson Matea Santiago Diego Tapia Silva Eunji Yoo De Zhen Zhou



biological invasions diffusion-reaction methods



settling and rising in stratified fluids

Data Driven Modeling in Mathematical Biology

Group Outing Summer 2019 The Before Time

Funding







Math Biology SMART Team Wednesday 9am

Ask me about: Undergraduate Major Research Computing NRT-Intelligent Adaptive Systems

Suzanne S. Sindi Associate Professor @SuzanneSindi UCMERCED

Prion

Diseases

Linguistic Change

#TwitterStuff

Machine

Learning

Optimization

Structured

Population Models

Impulsive

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Blood

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Cell Fate

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Stochastic

Processes

What?

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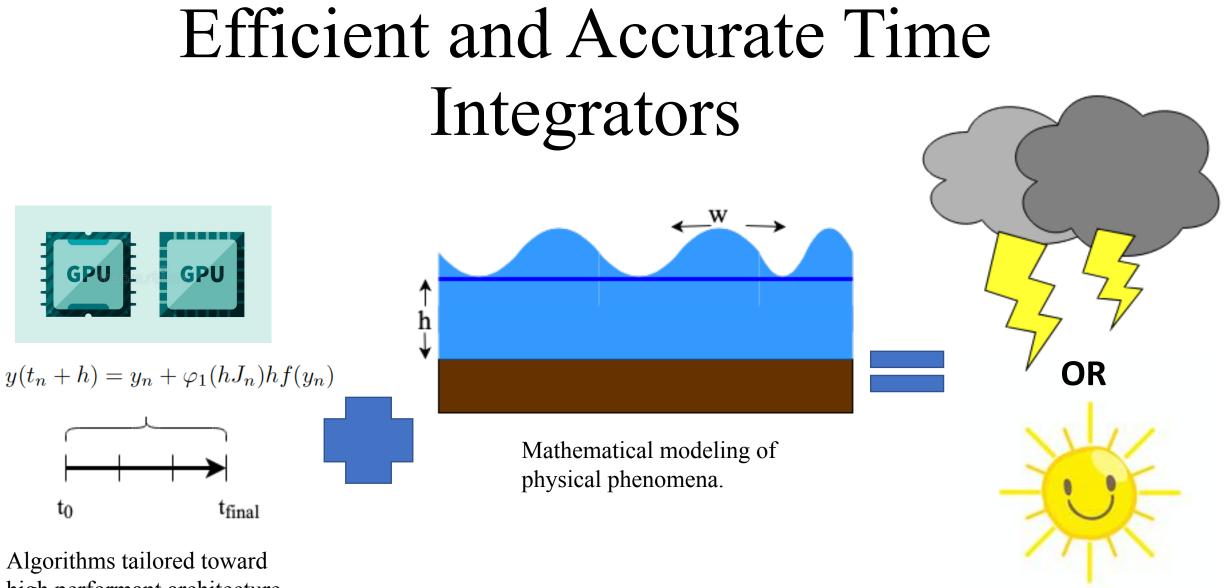
Genomic

Variation

Bayesian

Inference

ODEs/PDES



Accurate weather simulations.

high performant architecture.

Tanya V. Tafolla, Applied Math. Retreat 2020

Tommaso Buvoli



Visiting Assistant Professor

Research Topic:

Time-integrators for solving ODEs

$$\mathbf{y}'(t) = F(t, \mathbf{y}(t))$$

arising from partial differential eqns.

Kuramoto - Sivashinsky

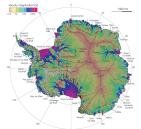


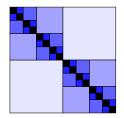
Current Projects:

- Polynomial-based integrators
- Parallel-in-time methods

Hierarchical Off-diagonal Low-rank (HODLR) Approximation of Hessians for Inverse Problems

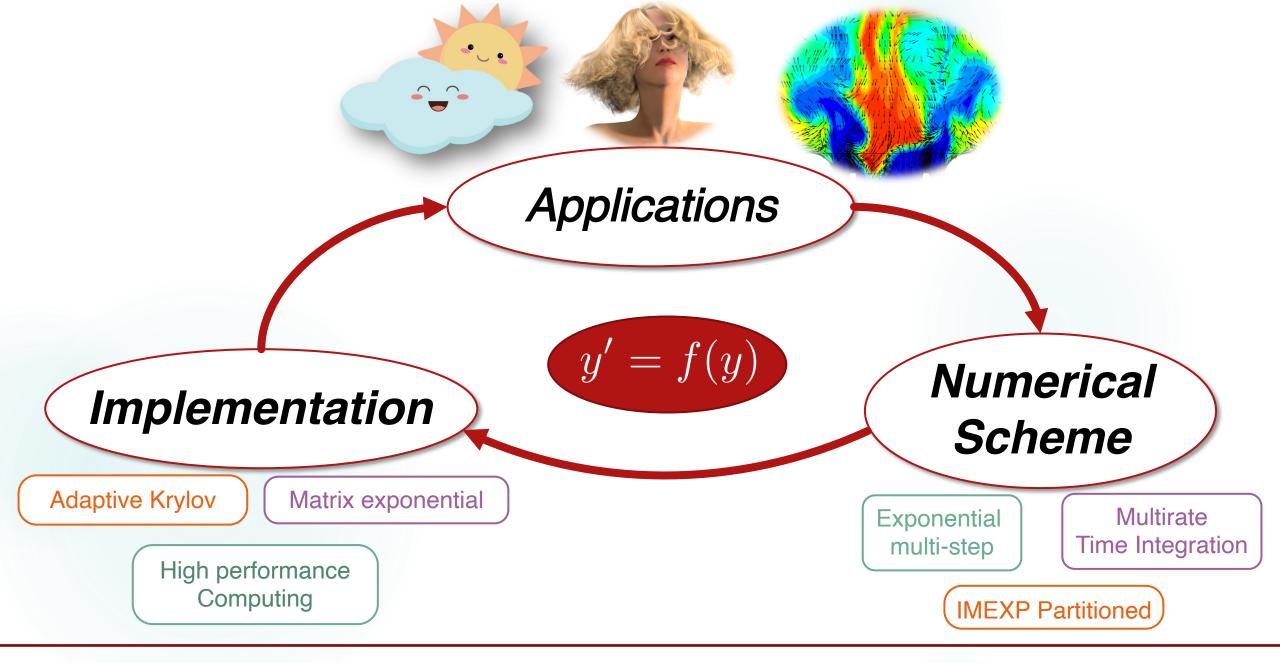
* Application of data-sparse matrix compression for the computationally efficient estimation of large-scale parameters and their associated uncertainties (e.g., basal sliding coefficient for an ice-sheet model).





Observed surface flow velocity from InSAR HODLR data-sparse matrix structure, (Rignot et. al, 2011). rank deficient off-diagonal blocks.

- Joint work with Georg Stadler (Courant Institute) and Noemi Petra (UC, Merced).
- Research funded by NSF grants DMS-CAREER-1654311, OAC-1550547 and DMS-1723211.



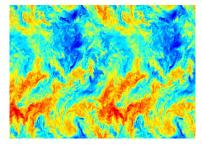
Valentin Dallerit – 4th year PhD student Advisor: Mayya Tokman

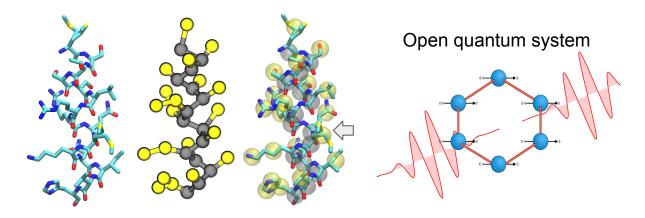
Yuanran Zhu

(Visiting Assistant Professor)

Dimension reduction and stochastic modeling

Turbulence





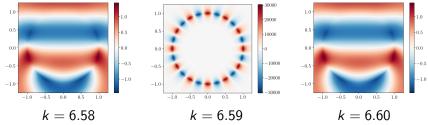
Molecular dynamics

Zoïs MOITIER – Postdoctoral Researcher



Research Interests: Wave propagation; Resonances; High frequencies; Unbounded problem; FEM for eigenvalue problem.

Scattering problem: graphs of the scattering wave



Harish S. Bhat A little about me:

- Grew up in San Jose
- Married to Lee-May Huang for 15 years. She works as a nurse practitioner. Two kids: Karthik (7) and Nalini (5).
- Started at UC ٠ Merced in 2008.

Research interests:

- Machine learning for physical systems, e.g., you give me time series, and I estimate the system's Hamiltonian (with Prof. Isborn in Chemistry).
- Machine learning to better understand and ٠ predict various aspects of suicide (with Prof. Goldman-Mellor in Public Health).
- Parameter estimation and filtering for ٠ ordinary & stochastic differential equations (with Dr. Priyadip Ray at LLNL).

Learn Hamiltonian using simulations of LiH with no field (left); then make predictions with applied electric field (right).

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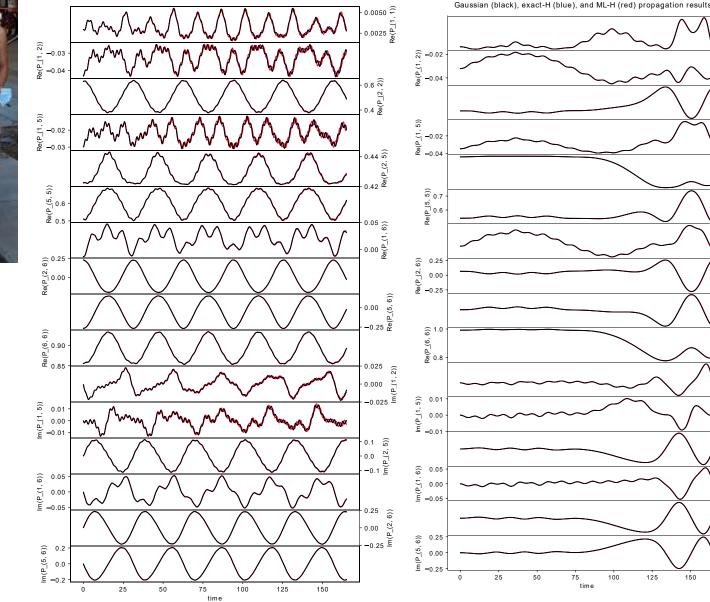
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Gaussian (black), exact-H (blue), and ML-H (red) propagation results



Lihong Zhao, Postdoc, MathBio SMaRT Team

Training

- B.S. in Math BUPT
- Ph.D. in Math UL Lafayette
- IMCI Postdoc U Idaho

Underpinning

- Iterative approach
- Interdisciplinary collaboration

