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Research Interests

Partial Differential Equations, Calculus of Variations, Nonlinear Analysis.

Topics: Functional inequalities and nonlinear diffusions, phase transition models, connecting orbits of systems of differential equations, least gradient problems, models of liquid crystals and superconductors.

Academic Experience

2018–today **FSMP-PSL Post-doctoral fellow**, CEREMADE (CNRS) Université Paris-Dauphine (IX), Paris, France. Supervisor: Jean Dolbeault.

Education

2014-2018 Ph.D. in Mathematics. Indiana University, Department of Mathematics, IN, USA.

Dissertation title: Geometric Problems in the Calculus of Variations.

Defended in May 2018. Advisor: Peter Sternberg.

2012-2014 M.A. in Mathematics. Indiana University, Department of Mathematics, IN, USA.

2006-2012 Mathematical Engineering, University of Chile, Department of Mathematical Engineering, Santiago, Chile.

Thesis title: Construction of two-end solutions to the inhomogeneous Allen-Cahn equation in the plane. Defended in July 2012. Advisor: Manuel del Pino.

2006-2011 B.S. in Engineering. University of Chile, Department of Mathematical Engineering, Santiago, Chile.

Publications

- 2019 Prescribed energy connecting orbits for gradient systems, with Francesca Alessio and Piero Montecchiari. To appear **Discrete Contin. Dyn. Syst. Series A**, vol. 39, no. 8, #26, hal-01990860 & arXiv:1901.06951 [math.DS].
- 2019 Continuity of minimizers to weighted least gradient problems, **Nonlinear Analysis**, vol. 178, pp. 86–109.
- 2016 *On the heteroclinic connection problem for multi-well gradient systems*, with Peter Sternberg. **J. Differential Equations**, vol. 261, no. 7, pp. 3987–4007.
- 2014 A two-end family of solutions for the inhomegeneous Allen-Cahn equation in \mathbb{R}^2 , with Oscar Agudelo. **J. Differential Equations**, vol. 256, no. 1, pp. 157–205.

Collaborations in progress

- Symmetry for a weighted logarithmic Hardy inequality: carré du champ method, with Jean Dolbeault.
- Symmetry breaking in interpolation inequalities: The porous medium case, with Jean Dolbeault and Matteo Muratori.
- Weighted porous medium diffusion equation: Sharp asymptotic rates of convergence by entropy methods, with Jean Dolbeault and Matteo Muratori.
- Bifurcation analysis characterization of the symmetry breaking in the Caffarelli-Kohn-Nirenberg inequalities, with Josefine Evans.
- On the stability of radial solutions of an anisotropic Ginzburg-Landau equation arising from the study of umbilical defects in nematic liquid crystals, with Xavier Lamy.

Awards and Honors

- 2019 Recipient of Financial Support Program for young researchers to attend the *International Congress* of *Industrial and Applied Math.* in Valencia. Academic Committee of ICIAM.
- 2018-2019 FMSP-PSL postdoctoral fellowship. Fondation de Sciences Mathématiques de Paris, France.
 - 2017 Hazel King Thompson thesis-support fellowship. Department of Mathematics, Indiana University.
 - 2016 Glenn Schöber research-abroad fellowship. Department of Mathematics, Indiana University.
 - 2016 David Rothrock teaching award. Department of Mathematics, Indiana University.
 - 2012 Outstanding incoming international graduate student fellowship, Department of Mathematics, Indiana University
- 2012-2016 Becas-Chile doctoral fellowship for study abroad (Doctorado en el extranjero). CONICYT, Republic of Chile.
- 2010,2011 Outstanding Student Award in Mathematics. Department of Mathematical Engineering, University of Chile
 - 2010 Best Undergraduate Teaching Assistant Award. Department of Mathematical Engineering, University of Chile.
- 2006 to 2008 Outstanding Student Award in Engineering. School of Engineering, University of Chile.

Talks in International Conferences (past&future)

- July 2019 Minisymposium: Least Gradient Problems and Optimal Transport, 9th International Congress on Industrial and Applied Mathematics (ICIAM), Valencia, Spain.
- June 2019 Workshop on New Trends in Variational Models: From Superconductors to Liquid Crystals. Fields Institute, Toronto, ON, Canada.
- Feb 2019 Participant talk in *Winter School in Calculus of Variations and Probability*, Institute of Mathematics (CIMI), University of Toulouse III, Toulouse, France.
- Nov 2017 Special Session on Geometric Analysis, AMS Fall Western Sectional Meeting at University of California, Riverside, CA, USA.
- July 2016 Poster Session in LMS-CMI Research School: Modern topics in Nonlinear PDEs and Geometric Analysis, University of Reading, Reading, UK.

Talks in Local Meetings (past&future)

- Apr 2019 Analysis and Probability Seminar, Université Paris Dauphine, Paris, France.
- Oct 2017 PDE Seminar, Indiana University, Bloomington, IN, USA.
- Sept 2017 Applied Math. Seminar, Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI, USA.
- Nov 2016 Graduate-Student PDE Seminar, Indiana University, Bloomington, IN, USA.
- Oct 2016 PDE Seminar, Indiana University, Bloomington, IN, USA.
- Jul 2016 PDE Seminar, DIM-University of Chile, Santiago, Chile.

Expository Talks

A least gradient problem in \mathbb{R}^n with L^{∞} -constraint. Graduate-Student PDE Seminar. Indiana University, Bloomington, IN. (2 sessions: Feb.-March, 2017).

Reduced boundary and regularity theory of Minimal Surfaces. Graduate-Student PDE Seminar. Indiana University, Bloomington, IN. (3 sessions: Oct.-Dec., 2016).

Selected Schools, Seminars and Events attended (past&future)

- March 2019 Meeting of working group in Shape Optimization (ANR SHAPO), Univeristé Paris Diderot, Paris, France.
 - Feb 2019 Winter School in Calculus of Variations and Probability, Centre International de Mathématiques et Informatique (CIMI), Toulouse, France.

- Dec 2018 PDEs at Valparaiso: a conference in honor of Patricio Felmer 60th birthday, Universidad Técnica Federico Santa María. Valparaíso, Chile.
- Fall 2018 Seminar of Paris Work-group in Calculus of Variations (GT CalVa), Paris, France. Seminar in Analysis and Probability, Université Paris-Dauphine, Paris, France.
- Oct-Nov 2018 Course in Entropy Methods for PDEs (by Christian Schmeiser). Institute of Mathematics Henri Poincaré, Sorbonne Université, Paris, France.
 - Nov 2018 Conference in PDEs and Geometric Measure Theory. ETH, Zurich, Switzerland.
 - Jan 2018 Workshop on Liquid Crystals, Soft-matter packing, and active systems. IMA, Minneapolis, MN, USA.
 - May 2017 Summer School in Calculus of Variations and Nonlinear PDEs. University of California, Berkeley, CA, USA.
 - Apr 2017 20th Rivière-Fabes symposium: Topics in elliptic and parabolic PDEs. University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN, USA.
 - Jul 2016 Summer School in Modern topics in nonlinear analysis and PDEs. University of Reading, Reading, UK.

Teaching experience

• Department of Mathematics, Indiana University (IU).

Served as *Instructor* for the following courses:

- o Finite Math M118 (Sum 2017)
- o ODE I M343 (Sum 2016)
- o Introd. Finite Math II D117 (Spr 2016)
- Mathematical Reasoning J110 (Sum 2015)
- o Pre-Algebra M014 (Fall 2015)
- o Pre-Calculus M025 (Spr 2014)

I also served as Assistant Instructor for the following courses of the PhD program:

- o PDE M540 (Spr 2018)
- Real Analysis I M413 (Spr 2018, Fall 2017)
- Theory of Probability II M564 (Spr 2017)
- o ODE M544 (Fall 2016, Fall 2017)
- o Analysis I M511 (Fall 2016)
- Department of Mathematical Engineering, University of Chile (DIM-UCH).

Served as Teaching Assistant for the following courses:

- Vector Calculus MA2002 (Fa 2012, Spr 2011)
- o ODE MA2601 (Fa 2012, Spr 2011, Fa 2011)
- ODE in Banach Spaces MA4802 (Spr 2010)
- (Spr 2010)
- Functional Analysis MA4801 (Fa 2010)
- o Calculus III MA2001 (Fa 2011, Fa 2010)
- o PDE in Math. Physics MA4601 (Fa 2010)
- Linear Algebra MA1102 (Spr 2009)
- o Differential Calculus in Banach Spaces MA4002 o Abstract Algebra MA1101 (Fa 2009)
 - o Calculus I MA1001 (Fa 2009)
 - Statistical Mechanics (Fa 2008)

Service

Reviewing Referee for the Indiana University Mathematics Journal (IUMJ).

Chair Session Contributed papers session II, AMS sectional meeting at Indiana University (Apr 2016).

Co-Organizer PDE - Analysis Seminar for graduate students at Indiana University (Fa 2016 - Spr 2017).

Outreach Volunteer for Indiana University Science Fest (Oct 2014, Oct 2015), Volunteer for University of Chile Summer School Program: PreCalculus courses aim towards high-school students (Jan 2008 - Jan 2012).

Languages

Programming LATEX, MATLAB, JAVA. Some experience with FORTRAN 90 and C++.

Spanish: Mothertongue, English: Fluent, French: Beginner (Conversational).