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### Education

Ph.D. Yale University, Computer Science (May 1982)  
M. S. Yale University, Computer Science (January 1979)  
M. A. Columbia University, Mathematics (January 1977)  
B. A. Columbia University, Mathematics (May 1975)

### Employment

University of Maryland, College Park, Maryland  
Department of Computer Science  
Assistant Professor (1985–1990), Associate Professor (1990–1996), Professor (1996–Present)  
Institute for Advanced Computer Studies  
Assistant Professor (1987–1990), Associate Professor (1990–1996), Professor (1996–Present)  
Acting Director (1999–2000)  
Institute for Physical Science and Technology, Assistant Professor (1986–1987)  
Yale University, New Haven, Connecticut  
Research Associate, Department of Computer Science, 1982 – 1985  
Scientific Computing Associates, New Haven, Connecticut  
Vice President, 1984 – 1985, Consultant, 1982 – 1987

### Books

1. **Finite Elements and Fast Iterative Solvers**, with D. J. Silvester and A. J. Wathen, Oxford University Press, 2005.

### Refereed Journal Publications

1. “Variational iterative methods for nonsymmetric systems of linear equations,” with S. C. Eisenstat and M. H. Schultz, *SIAM Journal on Numerical Analysis* 20:345-357, 1983.
2. “Preconditioning by fast direct methods for non-self-adjoint nonseparable elliptic equations,” with M. H. Schultz, *SIAM Journal on Numerical Analysis* 23:44-57, 1986.
3. “A hybrid Chebyshev Krylov-subspace algorithm for solving nonsymmetric systems of linear equations,” with Y. Saad and P. E. Saylor, *SIAM Journal on Scientific and Statistical Computing* 7:840-855, 1986.
4. “A stability analysis of incomplete LU factorizations,” *Mathematics of Computation* 47:191-217, 1986.
5. “Block-preconditioned conjugate gradient-like methods for numerical reservoir simulation,” with S. C. Eisenstat and M. H. Schultz, *SPE Reservoir Engineering* (February 1988), 307-312.
6. “Fourier analysis of iterative methods for elliptic problems,” with T. F. Chan, *SIAM Review* 31:20-49, 1989.
7. “Approximate Schur complement preconditioners for serial and parallel computers,” *SIAM Journal on Scientific and Statistical Computing* 10:581-604, 1989.

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8. "Ordering techniques for the preconditioned conjugate gradient method on parallel computers," with E. Agrøn, *Computer Physics Communications* 53:253-269, 1989.
9. "Some aspects of parallel implementation of the finite element method on message passing architectures," with I. Babuška, *Journal of Computational and Applied Mathematics* 27:157-187, 1989.
10. "Relaxed and stabilized incomplete factorizations for non-self-adjoint linear systems," *BIT* 29:890-915, 1989.
11. "Iterative methods for cyclically reduced non-self-adjoint linear systems," with G. H. Golub, *Mathematics of Computation* 54:671-700, 1990.
12. "Iterative Methods for cyclically reduced non-self-adjoint linear systems II," with G. H. Golub. *Mathematics of Computation* 56:215-242, 1991.
13. "Line iterative methods for cyclically reduced discrete convection-diffusion problems," with G. H. Golub. *SIAM Journal on Scientific and Statistical Computing* 13:339-363, 1992.
14. "Parallel implementation of the *hp*-version of the finite element method on a shared-memory architecture," with I. Babuška and K. Markley. *SIAM Journal on Scientific and Statistical Computing* 13:1433-1469, 1992.
15. "Parallel sparse Cholesky factorization on a shared memory multiprocessor," with G. Zhang, *Parallel Computing* 18, 1009-1022, 1992.
16. "Performance enhancements and parallel algorithms for two multilevel preconditioners," with X. Z. Guo, *SIAM Journal on Scientific Computing* 14:890-913, 1993.
17. "Performance of the *hp*-version of the finite element method with various elements," with I. Babuška, *International Journal for Numerical Methods in Engineering* 36:2503-2524, 1993.
18. "Ordering effects on relaxation methods applied to the discrete one-dimensional convection-diffusion equation," with M. P. Chernesky, *SIAM Journal on Numerical Analysis* 30:1268-1290, 1993.
19. "On the convergence of line iterative methods for cyclically reduced non-symmetrizable linear systems," with G. H. Golub and G. S. Starke, *Numerische Mathematik* 67:177-190, 1994.
20. "Inexact and preconditioned Uzawa algorithms for saddle point problems," with G. H. Golub, *SIAM Journal on Numerical Analysis* 30:1645-1661, 1994.
21. "Algebraic analysis of the hierarchical basis preconditioner," with Xuejun Zhang, *SIAM Journal on Matrix Analysis and Applications* 16:192-206, 1995.
22. "Use of linear algebra kernels to build an efficient finite element solver," with D. K.-Y. Lee, *Parallel Computing* 21:161-173, 1995.
23. "Fast nonsymmetric iterations and preconditioning for Navier-Stokes equations," with D. Silvester, *SIAM Journal on Scientific Computing* 17:33-46, 1996.
24. "Multigrid and Krylov subspace methods for the discrete Stokes equations," *International Journal for Numerical Methods in Fluids* 22:755-770, 1996.
25. "A note on conjugate gradient convergence," with A. E. Naiman and I. M. Babuška, *Numerische Mathematik* 76:209-230, 1997.
26. "Perturbation of eigenvalues of preconditioned Navier-Stokes operators," *SIAM Journal on Matrix Analysis and Applications* 18:733-751, 1997.

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27. "Efficient iterative solution of the three-dimensional Helmholtz equation," with D. P. O'Leary, *Journal of Computational Physics* 142:163-181, 1998.
28. "Preconditioning for the steady-state Navier-Stokes equations with low viscosity," *SIAM Journal on Scientific Computing* 20:1299 - 1316, 1999.
29. "Modified streamline diffusion schemes for convection-diffusion problems," with Y.-T. Shih, *Computer Methods in Applied Mechanics and Engineering*, 174:137-151, 1999.
30. "Eigenanalysis of some preconditioned Helmholtz problems," with D. P. O'Leary, *Numerische Mathematik* 83:231-257, 1999.
31. "Iterative methods for stabilized discrete convection-diffusion problems," with Y.-T. Shih, *IMA Journal of Numerical Analysis* 20:333-358, 2000.
32. "Efficient preconditioning of the linearized Navier-Stokes equations" with D. Silvester, D. Kay and A. Wathen, *Journal of Computational and Applied Mathematics* 128:261-279, 2001.
33. "A multigrid method enhanced by Krylov subspace iteration for discrete Helmholtz equations," with O. G. Ernst and D. P. O'Leary, *SIAM Journal on Scientific Computing* 23:1291-1315, 2001.
34. "Performance and analysis of saddle point preconditioners for the discrete steady-state Navier-Stokes equations," with D. J. Silvester and A. J. Wathen, *Numerische Mathematik* 90:665-688, 2002.
35. "An analysis of smoothing effects of upwinding strategies for the convection-diffusion equation," with A. Ramage, *SIAM Journal on Numerical Analysis* 40:254-281, 2002.
36. "Block preconditioners for the discrete incompressible Navier-Stokes equations," with D. J. Silvester and A. J. Wathen. *International Journal for Numerical Methods in Fluids* 40:333-344, 2002.
37. "Preconditioners for saddle point problems arising in computational fluid dynamics," *Applied Numerical Mathematics* 43:75-89, 2002.
38. "A characterisation of oscillations in the discrete two-dimensional convection-diffusion equation," with A. Ramage, *Mathematics of Computation* 72:263-288, 2003.
39. "Complete stagnation of GMRES," with I. Zavorine and D. P. O'Leary, *Linear Algebra and its Applications* 367:165-183, 2003.
40. "A parallel block multi-level preconditioner for the 3D incompressible Navier-Stokes equations," with V. E. Howle, J. Shadid and R. Tuminaro, *Journal of Computational Physics* 187:505-523, 2003.
41. "Preconditioning techniques for Newton's method for the incompressible Navier-Stokes equations," with D. Loghin and A. J. Wathen. *BIT* 43:961-974, 2003.
42. "Preconditioning strategies for models of incompressible flow," *Journal of Scientific Computing*, 25:347-366, 2005.
43. "Efficient iterative algorithms for the stochastic finite element method with application to acoustic scattering," with O. G. Ernst, D. P. O'Leary and M. Stewart, *Computer Methods in Applied Mechanics and Engineering* 18:1037-1055, 2005.
44. "Block preconditioners based on approximate commutators," with V. E. Howle, J. Shadid, R. Shuttleworth and R. Tuminaro, *SIAM Journal on Scientific Computing*, 27:1651-1668, 2005.
45. "Fourier analysis of multigrid for the two-dimensional convection-diffusion equation," with A. Ramage. *BIT* 46:283-306, 2006.

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46. “Analysis and comparison of geometric and algebraic multigrid for convection-diffusion equations,” with C.-T. Wu. *SIAM Journal on Scientific Computing* 28:2208-2228, 2006.
47. “Some observations on multigrid convergence for convection-diffusion equations,” with A. Ramage, *Computing and Visualization in Science*, 10:43-56, 2007.
48. “IFISS: A Matlab toolbox for modelling incompressible flow,” with A. Ramage and D. J. Silvester. *ACM Transactions on Mathematical Software*, 33:14, 2007. Article 14, 18 pages.
49. “Solving the stochastic steady-state diffusion problem using multigrid,” with D. Furnival. *IMA Journal of Numerical Analysis* 27:675–688, 2007.
50. “A taxonomy and comparison of parallel block multi-level preconditioners for the incompressible Navier-Stokes equations,” with V. E. Howle, J. Shadid, R. Shuttleworth and R. Tuminaro, *Journal of Computational Physics* 227:1790–1808, 2008
51. “Least squares preconditioners for stabilized discretizations of the Navier-Stokes equations,” with V. E. Howle, J. Shadid, D. Silvester and R. Tuminaro. *SIAM Journal on Scientific Computing* 30:290-311, 2007.
52. “A finite element model for protein transport in vivo”, with K. Sadegh Zadeh, H. J. Montas and A. Shirmohammadi. *BioMedical Engineering Online* 6: Article No. 24, June 2007.
53. “Block-diagonal preconditioning for spectral stochastic finite element systems,” with C. E. Powell, University of Maryland Institute for Advanced Computer Studies TR-2007-30, 2007. To appear in *IMA Journal of Numerical Analysis*.

## Conference Proceedings and Book Chapters

1. “Solving approximations to the convection-diffusion equation,” with S. C. Eisenstat, A. H. Sherman, and M. H. Schultz, in *Proceedings of the Fifth Symposium on Reservoir Simulation*, Society of Petroleum Engineers of AIME, Denver, CO, 1979, pp. 127-132.
2. “Preconditioned conjugate-gradient methods for nonsymmetric systems of linear equations,” in R. Vichnevetsky and R. S. Stepleman, Editors, *Advances in Computer Methods for Partial Differential Equations – IV*, IMACS, 1981, pp. 409-417.
3. “The (new) Yale sparse matrix package,” with S. C. Eisenstat, M. H. Schultz and A. H. Sherman, in G. Birkhoff and A. Schoenstadt, Editors, *Elliptic Problem Solvers II*, Academic Press, 1984, pp. 45-52.
4. “Iterative methods for non-self-adjoint elliptic problems,” in G. Birkhoff and A. Schoenstadt, Editors, *Elliptic Problem Solvers II*, Academic Press, 1984, pp. 271-283.
5. “Block-preconditioned conjugate gradient-like methods for numerical reservoir simulation,” with S. C. Eisenstat and M. H. Schultz, in *Proceedings of the Eighth Symposium on Reservoir Simulation*, Society of Petroleum Engineers of AIME, Dallas, TX, 1985, pp. 397-403.
6. “Polynomial iteration for nonsymmetric indefinite linear systems,” with R. L. Streit. In J. P. Hennart, Editor, *Lecture Notes in Mathematics 1230*, Proceedings of the Fourth IIMAS Workshop on Numerical Analysis, Springer-Verlag, New York, 1986, pp. 103-117.
7. “Line iterative methods for cyclically reduced non-self-adjoint elliptic problems,” with G. H. Golub, in *Transactions of the Seventh Army Conference on Applied Mathematics and Computing*, 1989, ARO Report 90-1, pp. 457-466.

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8. "Block iterative methods for cyclically reduced non-self-adjoint elliptic problems," with G. H. Golub, in D. Kincaid and L. Hayes, Editors, *Iterative Methods for Large Linear Systems*, Academic Press, 1990, pp. 91-105.
9. "Iterative methods for linear systems," in J. Gilbert and D. Kershaw, Editors, *Large-Scale Matrix Problems and the Numerical Solution of Partial Differential Equations*, Oxford University Press, New York, 1994, pp. 69-118.
10. "Ordering effects on relaxation methods applied to the discrete convection-diffusion equation," with M. P. Chernesky, In G. H. Golub, A. Greenbaum and M. Luskin, Editors, *Recent Advances in Iterative Methods*, Springer-Verlag, New York, 1994, pp. 45-57.
11. "Multigrid and Krylov subspace methods for the discrete Stokes equations," in M. Natori and T. Nodera, Editors, *Advances in Numerical Methods for Large Sparse Sets of Linear Equations*, Proceedings of the PCG94 Symposium, Keio University, Yokohama, Japan, 1994, pp. 151-164.
12. "Iterative Methods for Problems in Computational Fluid Dynamics," with A. J. Wathen and D. J. Silvester, in R. Chan, T. F. C. Chan and G. H. Golub, Editors, *Iterative Methods in Scientific Computing*, Springer-Verlag, Singapore, 1997, pp. 271-327.
13. "A Preconditioner for the Oseen Equations," with A. Wathen, D. Loghin, D. Kay and D. Silvester, to appear in *Numerical Mathematics and Advanced Applications*, Proceedings of the 4th European Conference on Numerical Mathematics and Advanced Applications, Springer-Verlag, 2003.

## Recent Grants and Contracts

- "Preconditioning Techniques for Algebraic Equations Arising from Partial Differential Equations," National Science Foundation, 7/15/99 – 6/20/02 (\$130,000).
- "Solution Algorithms and Probabilistic Analysis of Models of Scattering," U. S. Office of Naval Research, with D. P. O'Leary, 2000-2003 (\$210,000).
- "Algorithms for Discrete and Stochastic Partial Differential Equations," National Science Foundation, 8/01/02 – 7/31/04 (\$122,000).
- "Fast Multipole Translational Algorithms for Solution of the 3D Helmholtz Equation," with R. Duraiswami, N. Gumerov, D. P. O'Leary and I. Mayergoyz, National Science Foundation, 10/01/02 – 9/30/04 (\$293,000).
- "Fast Solvers for the Incompressible Navier-Stokes Equations," Sandia National Laboratories, 6/2/04/9/15/04, (\$50,000).
- "Navier-Stokes Solvers and Generalizations for Reacting Flow Problems," Department of Energy, 9/1/04 – 8/31/07 (\$558,912).
- "Fast Algorithms for Models of Incompressible Flow," National Science Foundation, 9/15/07 – 8/31/10 (\$270,000).

## Awards

Designated "Highly Cited Author" by Thomson ISI, 2004.

"Presidential Young Investigator Award: Research in Sparse Matrix Methods," National Science Foundation, 1989 – 1994.

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### **Recent Invited Talks**

Distinguished Colloquium Series, Institute of Applied Mathematics and Pacific Institute for the Mathematical Sciences, University of British Columbia, September 2007

Third Montreal Scientific Computing Days, organized by McGill University and The University of Montreal, February 2006.

Workshop on Algorithms for Models of Fluid flow, University of Manchester, England, July 2005.

Householder Symposium, Champion, PA, May 2005

Brown University, Workshop on Advances and Challenges in Time-Integration of PDE's, Brown University, August 2003.

Workshop on Solution Algorithms for Saddle Point Problems, Santa Fe, NM, December 2003.

Plenary speaker, Meeting in honor of the 50th anniversary of the conjugate gradient method, Zürich, Switzerland, February 2002.

Invited speaker, 19th Biennial Conference on Numerical Analysis, University of Dundee, June 2001.

### **Advising**

1987, E. Agròn, "Ordering Techniques for the Preconditioned Conjugate Gradient Method on Parallel Computers" (M.S. December 1987).

1992, D. Lee, "Use of Linear Algebra Kernels to Build an Efficient Finite Element Solver" (M.S. May 1992).

1992, X. Guo, "Multilevel Preconditioners: Analysis, Performance Enhancements and Parallel Algorithms" (Ph.D. May 1992).

1993, M. Chernesky, "Iterative Solution of Discrete Convection-Diffusion Problems" (Ph.D. December 1993).

1998, S. Arteaga, "Nonlinear and Parallel Algorithms for Finite Element Discretizations of the Incompressible Navier-Stokes Equations" (Ph.D. June 1998).

1998, A. Hirs, Numerical Algorithms for the Convection-Diffusion Equation and Option Pricing (Ph.D. June 1998, directed jointly with D. Madan).

1998, Y.-T. Shih, Upwind Finite Element Solutions for Convection-Diffusion Problems (Ph.D. December 1998).

2002, I. Zavorine, Analysis of GMRES Convergence by Spectral factorization of the Krylov Matrix (Ph.D. June 2001, directed jointly with D. O'Leary).

2003, C.-T. Wu, On the Implementation of an Accurate and Efficient Solver for Convection-Diffusion Equations (Ph.D. December 2003).

2007, R. Shuttleworth, Block Preconditioners for the Navier-Stokes Equations. (Ph.D., May 2007).

In progress: D. Furnival, A. Lott, F. Xue.

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### Editorial Activities

Editor-in-Chief, *SIAM Journal on Scientific Computing* (1999 – 2004).

Associate Editor, *SIAM Journal on Scientific Computing* (1990 – 1998, 2005 – present).

Associate Editor, *Mathematics of Computation* (1995 – 2007).

Special Editor, *SIAM Journal on Scientific Computing*, for papers presented at the Copper Mountain Conference on Iterative Methods, 1990, 1992, 1994.

Special Editor-in-Chief, *SIAM Journal on Scientific Computing*, for issues dedicated to iterative methods, Vol. 19, No. 1 (1999), Vol. 21, No. 5 (2000).

### Other Recent Professional Service

Member, SIAM Finance Committee, 2005 – Present

Chair, Program Committee: Copper Mountain/Colorado Conference on Iterative Methods, 2004, 2006, 2008.

Member, Program Committee:

Copper Mountain/Colorado Conference on Iterative Methods, Copper Mountain and Breckenridge, CO, 1990 – Present (Biannual).

Member, Householder Prize Committee, 2005 – Present.

Member, Prize Committee for the SIAM Wilkinson Prize (awarded every four years for research in Numerical Analysis and Scientific Computing), 2005.

Co-Organizer, Workshop on “Perspectives on Incompressible Flows,” University of Maryland, April 2003.

External examiner, University of Manchester Institute of Science and Technology, Manchester England, November 2003. Doctoral thesis defense for Catherine Powell.