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Computational mathematics postdoctoral researcher at Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory with a broad scientific interest and a passion for problem-solving. Two years research experience in quantum information and quantum algorithms, 6+ years experience in computational mathematics, and 2+ years experience as project engineer. Recent collaborations resulted in a robust publication record.

Work Experience

Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory

Berkeley, USA

POSTDOCTORAL RESEARCHER IN COMPUTATIONAL MATHEMATICS

Nov. 2019 - Current

- Research on quantum information and quantum algorithms with a focus on circuit compilation and synthesis.
- Completed projects on Hamiltonian simulation, quantum chemistry, quantum linear algebra, and quantum image processing.
- Currently working on nonlinear tensor factorization models with applications in deep learning.
- Developed **QCLAB**, **QCLAB++**, **F3C**, **F3C++**, **QPIXL++** and **FunFact**.
- Team scientist.

IPCOS NV

Leuven, Belgium

PROJECT ENGINEER IN DIGITAL OILFIELD TEAM

Aug. 2013 - Sep. 2015

- Deployment and maintenance of upstream production monitoring models based on real-time process data.
- Development and deployment of new data-driven pipeline leak detection models.
- Customer-oriented role: presenting on-site training sessions and providing end user support.

Skills, Competencies & Training

Programming

- MATLAB, C++, Python, Fortran 90.
- OpenMP and MPI.
- git, CMake

Open source projects

- **QCLAB** and **QCLAB++**: quantum circuit development, analysis and simulation.
- **F3C** and **F3C++**: fast and scalable quantum circuit compilation for Hamiltonian simulation.
- **QPIXL++**: efficient and compressible representations for quantum images.
- **FunFact**: tensor algebra and deep learning via Einstein notations.

Research interests

Quantum algorithms, Quantum circuit synthesis, Numerical linear algebra, Tensor decomposition techniques, Manifold optimization, Eigenvalue problems, Randomized algorithms, Scientific machine learning, Image processing.

Formal training

- Mathematics of Big Data: Sketching and (Multi-)Linear Algebra (MSRI Graduate Summer School, 2021)
- Fundamentals of Machine Learning (SOCN Graduate School, 2018)
- Low-Rank Tensor Techniques (Hausdorff School, 2016)

Personal & Communication

Collaborations

- Started new collaborations with physicists from Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory and North Carolina State University that resulted in **F3C** and **F3C++**.
- Contributed to existing collaborations with computational chemists at Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory.

Languages

- Dutch: Native
- English: Fluent
- French: Moderate

Teaching

- TA for B.Sc. courses on numerical modeling and approximation, numerical mathematics at KU Leuven.
- Mentor of M.Sc. thesis projects at KU Leuven.
- Mentor of summer intern at Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory.

Publications & Preprints

- 2021 *Quantum pixel representations and compression for N -dimensional images*, Amankwah M. G., [Camps D.](#), Bethel E.W., Van Beeumen R., Perciano T. arXiv:2110.04405.
- 2021 *An algebraic quantum circuit compression algorithm for Hamiltonian simulation*, [Camps D.](#), Kökcü E., Bassman L., de Jong W.A., Kemper A.F., Van Beeumen R. arXiv:2108.03283.
- 2021 *Algebraic compression of quantum circuits for Hamiltonian evolution*, Kökcü E., [Camps D.](#), Bassman L., Freericks J.K., de Jong W.A., Van Beeumen R., Kemper A.F. arXiv:2108.03282.
- 2021 *A multishift, multipole rational QZ method with aggressive early deflation*, Steel T., [Camps D.](#), Meerbergen K., Vandebril R., SIAM J. Matrix Anal. Appl. 42(2), 753–774. DOI: 10.1137/19M1249631
- 2020 *Approximate quantum circuit synthesis using block encodings*, [Camps D.](#), Van Beeumen R., Phys. Rev. A 102, 052411. DOI: 10.1103/PhysRevA.102.052411
- 2020 *Chemistry on quantum computers with virtual quantum subspace expansion*, Urbanek M., [Camps D.](#), Van Beeumen R., de Jong W. A., J. Chem. Theory Comput. 16(9), 5425–5431. DOI: 10.1021/acs.jctc.0c00447
- 2020 *Quantum Fourier transform revisited*, [Camps D.](#), Van Beeumen R., Yang C., Numer. Linear Algebra Appl. 28(1). DOI: 10.1002/nla.2331
- 2020 *On pole-swapping algorithms for the eigenvalue problem*, [Camps D.](#), Mach T., Vandebril R., Watkins D. S., Electron. Trans. Numer. Anal. 52, 480–508. DOI: 10.1553/etna_vol52s480
- 2019 *Swapping 2x2 blocks in the Schur and generalized Schur form*, [Camps D.](#), Mastronardi N., Vandebril R., Van Dooren P., J. Comput. Appl. Math. 373, 112274. DOI: 10.1016/j.cam.2019.05.022
- 2019 *A rational QZ method*, [Camps D.](#), Meerbergen K., Vandebril R., SIAM J. Matrix Anal. Appl. 40(3), 943–972. DOI: 10.1137/18M1170480
- 2019 *An implicit filter for rational Krylov using core transformations*, [Camps D.](#), Meerbergen K., Vandebril R., Linear Algebra and its Applications, DOI: 10.1016/j.laa.2018.09.021
- 2014 *Block term decomposition for modelling epileptic seizures*, Hunyadi B., [Camps D.](#), Sorber L., Van Paesschen W., De Vos M., Van Huffel S., De Lathauwer L., EURASIP Journal on Advances in Signal Processing, DOI: 10.1186/1687-6180-2014-139

Education

KU Leuven (University of Leuven)

PHD IN COMPUTER SCIENCE AND APPLIED MATHEMATICS

Leuven, Belgium

Sep. 2015 - Sep. 2019

- Thesis: *Pole swapping methods for the eigenvalue problem — Rational QR algorithms.*
- Generalized dense QR eigenvalue algorithms to rational QR methods.
- Implicitly restarted rational Krylov methods for large-scale, sparse eigenvalue problems.
- Focus on theory, numerical stability and efficient implementations.

KU Leuven (University of Leuven)

M.SC.ENG. IN MATHEMATICAL ENGINEERING

Leuven, Belgium

Sep. 2011 - Jun. 2013

- Thesis: ‘Epileptic seizure monitoring using tensor decomposition techniques’.

KU Leuven (University of Leuven)

M.SC. IN PHYSICS: ASTRONOMY AND ASTROPHYSICS

Leuven, Belgium

Sep. 2009 - Sep. 2011

- Thesis: ‘Herschel/PACS observations of water in the carbon-rich AGB star V Hya’.

UHasselt (University of Hasselt)

B.SC. IN PHYSICS

Hasselt, Belgium

Sep. 2006 - Jun. 2010

Talks

SIAM Conference on Applied Linear Algebra Approximate quantum circuit synthesis using block encodings	<i>Virtual</i> May 2021
AIDE-QC All-Hands Meeting An Algebraic and Scalable Synthesis Algorithm for Computing Dynamic Simulation Constant-Depth Circuits	<i>Virtual</i> Apr. 2021
APS March Meeting Approximate quantum circuit synthesis using block encodings	<i>Virtual</i> Mar. 2021
SIAM Conference on Computational Science and Engineering Understanding the quantum Fourier transform through matrix decompositions	<i>Virtual</i> Mar. 2021
CS Area 2nd Annual Postdoc Symposium Approximate quantum circuit synthesis using block encodings	<i>Berkeley, USA</i> Feb. 2021
Berkeley Lab Seminar Pole swapping methods for the eigenvalue problem – Rational QR algorithms	<i>Berkeley, USA</i> Sep. 2019
ICIAM Conference Pole swapping methods for the eigenvalue problem – Rational QR algorithms	<i>Valencia, Spain</i> Jul. 2019
ETNA25 Conference Approximate inverse-free rational Krylov methods and the link with FOM and GMRES	<i>Sardinia, Italy</i> May 2019
NASCA Conference A rational QZ method	<i>Kalamata, Greece</i> Jul. 2018
SIAM Conference on Applied Linear Algebra RQZ: A rational QZ method for the generalized eigenvalue problem	<i>Hong Kong</i> May. 2018
NUMA Internal Seminar Rational matrix algorithms for the generalized eigenvalue problem — Iterative and direct methods	<i>Leuven, Belgium</i> Oct. 2017
ILAS Conference Implicit restart of the rational Krylov method — Chasing algorithms for polynomial, extended and rational Krylov	<i>Iowa, USA</i> Jul. 2017
ILAS Conference Towards a computational efficient, implicitly restarted rational Krylov method	<i>Leuven, Belgium</i> Jul. 2016

Academic service

Reviewer for

Quantum – the open journal for quantum science, Quantum Information & Computation, Journal of Computational Physics, Applied Mathematics and Computation, SIAM Journal on Matrix Analysis and Applications, Linear and Multilinear Algebra, Electronic Transactions on Numerical Analysis