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Bio

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■ Professor, Geophysics

My students and I devise new algorithms to improve the imaging of reflection seismic data. Images obtained from seismic data are the main source of information on the structural and stratigraphic complexities in Earth's subsurface. These images are constructed by processing seismic wavefields recorded at the surface of Earth and generated by either active-source experiments (reflection data), or by far-away earthquakes (teleseismic data). The high-resolution and fidelity of 3-D reflection-seismic images enables oil companies to drill with high accuracy for hydrocarbon reservoirs that are buried under two kilometers of water and up to 15 kilometers of sediments and hard rock. To achieve this technological feat, the recorded data must be processed employing advanced mathematical algorithms that harness the power of huge computational resources. To demonstrate the advantages of our new methods, we process 3D field data on our parallel cluster running several hundreds of processors.

# Administrative Appointments

- Co-Director, Stanford Exploration Project, Stanford University (1998 Present)
- Organizing Committee, Stanford Mathematical Geophysics (Summer) School, Stanford University (1998 2003)
- Instructor at the Mathematical Geophysics (Summer) School, Stanford University (1998 1998)
- Member of Teaching and Information Technology Geophysics Department Committee, Stanford University (2000 2003)
- Instructor at the Mathematical Geophysics (Summer) School, Stanford University (2002 2002)
- Member of the School of Earth Sciences Academic Program (Graduate) Committee, Stanford University (2004 2005)
- Member of the School of Earth Sciences Computational Initiative Committee, Stanford University (2004 2005)
- Member of the Academic Oversight Committee of the Graduate Program in EEES, Stanford University (2005 2009)
- Member of the Faculty Advisory Panel of the Stanford CEES, Stanford University (2005 Present)
- Member, School of Earth Sciences Web Advisory Committee, Stanford University (2006 2007)
- Member, Stanford Senate Committee on Research, Stanford University (2007 2008)
- Member, Earth Sciences Council, Stanford University (2007 2010)
- Member, Stanford Senate Committee on Research (2009 2010)
- Co-Director, Center for Computational Earth and Environmental Sciences, Stanford University (2010 Present)
- Co-Director, Stanford Earth Sciences Algorithms and Architectures Initiative, Stanford University (2010 Present)
- Member, Ad-hoc Faculty Committee on the Stanford Research Computing Facility, Stanford University (2011 2012)

■ Program Director, Computational Geoscience Degree Program, Stanford University (2011 - Present)

#### Honors and Awards

- Honorable mention for Best Paper in Geophysics from SEG (co-author), Society of Exploration Geophysicists (2016)
- Honorable mention for Best Paper in Geophysics from SEG (co-author), Society of Exploration Geophysicists (2009)
- Distinguished Instructor Short Course, Society of Exploration Geophysicists and the European Association of Geoscientists and Engineers (2007)
- Louis Cagniard Award for the best poster presentation (co-author), European Association of Geoscientists and Engineers (2005)
- Reginald Fessenden Award, Society of Exploration Geophysicists (2004)
- Outstanding Contribution SEG 65th Annual Meeting, Society of Exploration Geophysicists (1996)

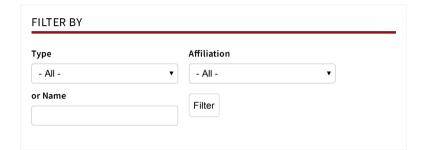
# University Service and Professional Activities

- Invited speaker, Executive Exploration Forum, Schlumberger, Montecarlo, Monaco (2012 2012)
- Invited speaker, Workshop, Inversion-based High Resolution Imaging of Reservoirs, Meeting of Society of Exploration Geophysicists (2012 2012)
- Short Course Instructor, Pemex, Villahermosa, Mexico (2012 2012)
- Short Course Instructor, Ion Geophysical;, Houston, Texas (2012 2012)
- Short Course Instructor, TGS; Houston, Texas (2012 2012)
- Short Course Instructor, Pemex, Villahermosa, Mexico (2011 2011)
- Short Course Instructor, Saudi Aramco, Dhaharain, Saudi Arabia (2011 2011)
- Short Course Instructor, Society of Exploration Geophysicists Continuing Education, New Orleans, Louisiana (2011 2011)
- Short Course Instructor, WesternGeco-Schlumberger Area Geophysicist University , Houston, Texas (2011 2011)
- Convenor, SEG (Summer) Research Workshop: Subsalt Exploration and Development: Four years later, what's new in acquisition, imaging and interpretation? (2010 2010)
- Invited speaker, Workshop: Full wave-equation methods for complex imaging challenges, Meeting of Society of Exploration Geophysicists (2009 2009)
- Invited speaker, Workshop: Reverse-Time Migration- Problems and Promises, Meeting of Society of Exploration Geophysicists (2009 2009)
- Keynote speaker, Research Workshop: SubSalt Imaging focus on azimuth, European Association of Geoscientists and Engineers (2009 2009)
- Invited speaker, Workshop: Computing trends in O&G and Earth Sciences, Meeting of European Association of Geoscientists and Engineers (2008 2008)
- Invited speaker, Workshop: Reducing Cycle Time from seismic acquisition to interpretation, Meeting of European Association of Geoscientists and Engineers (2008 2008)
- Keynote speaker, Workshop: Interpreting Depth-Imaged Data Case studies, examples, and pitfalls from the interpreters, Meeting of Society of Exploration Geophysicists (2008 2008)
- Member, Editorial Board of the Journal on Imaging Sciences published by the Society for Industrial and Applied Mathematics (2007 Present)
- Short Course Instructor, Saudi Aramco, Dhaharain, Saudi Arabia (2007 2007)
- Short Course Instructor, Saudi Aramco, Dhaharain, Saudi Arabia (2006 2006)
- Keynote speaker, Seismic Imaging Symposium, Veritas-DGC, Calgary, Canada (2006 2006)
- Chairman, SEG/EAGE (Summer) Research Workshop: Subsalt Exploration & Development: Imaging, interpretation & drilling-What have we learned (2006 2006)
- Distinguished Scientist Lecture, BP Technology Center, Houston, Texas (2005 2005)
- Invited speaker, Workshop on Computational Geosciences, Colorado School of Mines (2005 2005)
- Invited speaker, Department seminar at Rice University (2005 2005)
- Short Course Instructor, PDVSA, Puerto La Cruz, Venezuela (2005 2005)
- Invited speaker Workshop, Geophysical Imaging, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute (2005 2005)
- Invited speaker Workshop, Estimation of accurate velocity macro-models in complex structures, Meeting of European Association of Geoscientists and Engineers (2004 2004)
- Invited speaker, International Conference Scientific Computing In Petroleum Industry, Beijing, China (2004 2004)
- Invited speaker, Workshop, Estimation of accurate velocity macro-models in complex structures, Meeting of European Association of Geoscientists and Engineers (2004 2004)
- Keynote speaker, Salt Tectonics Symposium at ExxonMobil Exploration Company, Houston, Texas (2004 2004)
- Convenor, EAGE-SEG (Summer) Research Workshop: Processing and imaging of seismic data using explicit or implicit velocity model information (2003 2003)
- Invited speaker, 12th International Workshop of IUGG's Commission on Controlled-Source Seismology (2003 2003)
- Convenor, SEG Workshop Passive Seismic Imaging (2003 2003)
- Invited speaker, Geophysical Society of Houston (2002 2002)
- Invited speaker, Special session: Depth Imaging, Meeting of Canadian Society of Exploration Geophysicists (2002 2002)
- Invited speaker, Interactive session: Wave equation versus ray based methods, Meeting of European Association of Geoscientists and Engineers (2002 2002)
- Invited speaker, Geophysical Society of Houston (2001 2001)
- Invited speaker, Southeastern Geophysical Society (2001 2001)
- Invited speaker, Heiland Lecture at Colorado School of Mines (2001 2001)
- Convenor, SEG Workshop Seismic Imaging beyond Kirchhoff (2001 2001)
- Convenor, SEG Workshop Changing the way we work: e-business & the Internet (2001 2001)

- Invited speaker, International seminar on sesimic migration and inversion, Seoul National University, South Korea. (2001 2001)
- Invited speaker, Incorporated Research Institutions for Seismology (IRIS) Workshop (2000 2000)
- Invited speaker, Workshop: Prestack Depth Imaging: Prospects and Challenges, Meeting of European Association of Geoscientists and Engineers (2000 2000)
- Invited Speaker, New Approaches to Seismic Imaging Workshop, 6th International Congress of the Brazilian Geophysical Society (1999 1999)
- Short Course Instructor, Daqing, China (1998 1998)
- Convenor, EAGE-SEG (Summer) Research Workshop Depth Imaging of Seismic Reservoir Attributes (1998 1998)
- Member, Research Committee of the Society of Exploration Geophysicists Research Committee (1996 Present)

## Education

- Ph.D, Stanford University, Geophysics (1990)
- M.S., Stanford University, Geophysics (1987)
- M.Sc., Politecnico di Milano, Electrical Engineering (1984)





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