

## Curriculum Vitae of Ming-Jun Lai

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### Academic Degrees

B. S.	Jan., 1982	Hangzhou University, China
Ph. D.	Aug., 1989	Texas A&M University (Advisor: Charles K. Chui)

### Professional Experiences

1982-1984	Assistant Lecturer	Hangzhou University, China
1989-1992	Instructor	University of Utah, Utah, USA
1992-1995	Assistant Professor	University of Georgia, Georgia, USA
1995-2000	Associate Professor	University of Georgia, Georgia, USA
2000-present	Professor	University of Georgia, Georgia, USA
Jan.–May, 2003	Visiting Professor	Vanderbilt University, Tennessee, USA
Aug.–Dec., 2004	Visiting Professor	Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, USA
April, 2006	Visiting Professor	University of Oslo, Norway

**Specialization:** Approximation Theory, Multivariate Splines, Numerical Analysis, Wavelet Analysis.

### Research and Related Activities

#### Publications

##### a. books (monograph as well as conference proceedings)

- [1] M. J. Lai and L. L. Schumaker, *Spline Functions over Triangulations*, 585+pages, Cambridge University Press, Cambridge, U.K. 2007.
- [2] G. Chen and M. J. Lai (edited), *Wavelets and Splines, Athens, 20005*, 515 pages, Nashboro Press, Brentwood, Nashville, 2006.

##### b. papers published in journals

- [3] M. J. Lai, On estimations for the exact bounds of the coefficients of approximation by cubic spline interpolation, *Math. Numer. Sinica* **6**(1984), pp. 105-108.
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- [17] M. J. Lai, A characteristic theorem of multivariate splines in blossom form, *Computer Aided Geometric Design* **8**(1992), pp. 513-521.
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- [64] M. J. Lai and A. Petukhov, The method of virtual components for constructing wavelet frames, *Applied and Comput. Harmonic Analysis* **22**(2007) 304–318.
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- [96] M. J. Lai and L. L. Schumaker, Domain decomposition method for scattered data fitting, submitted to SIAM J. Numerical Analysis, 2007.
- [97] S. Guillas and M. J. Lai, Bivariate splines for functional data analysis, 2007.
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- [99] M. J. Lai and A. Petukhov, Method of Virtual Components in the Multivariate Setting, J. of Fourier Analysis and Its Applications, 2007.
- [100] S. Foucart and M. J. Lai, Sparsest Solutions of Underdetermined Linear Systems via  $\ell_q$ -minimization for  $0 < q \leq 1$ , submitted to Applied and Computational Harmonic Analysis, 2007.

#### **e. under preparation**

- [101] M. J. Lai and T. Lyche, Trigonometric B-spline Tight Wavelet Frames, 2007.
- [102] B. Ettinger, S. Guillas, M. J. Lai, Bivariate Splines for Functional Regression Models with Application to Ozone Forecasting, 2007

#### **Invited Presentations**

- June, 1992 Invited to give a talk at Chevron Oil Field Research Company, 1300 Beach Boulevard, La Habra, California.
- Oct., 1992 Invited to give a colloquium talk at Department of Mathematics, Vanderbilt University, Nashville, Tennessee.
- April, 1993 Invited to give a colloquium talk at Department of Mathematics, Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, Georgia.
- May 1, 1993 Invited to give a 20 minute talk at a conference on interaction between operator, wavelets, and control theory at Charlotte, University of North Carolina at Charlotte.
- Mar. 2, 1995 Invited to give a 20 minute talk at an international conference on scattered data fitting in Cancun, Mexico.
- Aug. 22, 1996 Invited to give seminar talks at Dept. of Math., Nankai University, Tianjin, China.
- May 10, 1997 Invited to give a 30 minute talk at an international conference on Multivariate Approximations at Oberwolfach, Germany
- Aug. 12, 1997 Invited to give a 30 minute talk at an international conference on computational mathematics at Guangzhou, China.
- July 28–Aug. 2, 1998 Invited to give a 30 minute talk at the eighth international congress of applied and computational mathematics at Lueven, Belgium.
- Dec. 12–16, 1998 Invited to give a 30 minute talk at the first international congress of Chinese mathematicians at Beijing, China.
- Mar. 18, 1999 Invited to give a seminar talk at Dept. of Math. Penn. State Univ., University Park, Penn.
- April 16–20, 1999 Invited to give a 30 minute talk at the second international conference on scattered data interpolation in Peuto Vallata, Mexico.
- June 17, 1999 Invited to give a seminar talk at Dept. of Math. University of Nante, France.

- Nov. 2–7, 1999    Invited to give a 30 minute talk at the SIAM conference on computer aided geometric design in Albuquerque, New Mexico.
- Mar. 6, 2000,    Invited to give a colloquium talk at Dept. of Math. University of Missouri at St. Louis, Missouri. The talk title is "Multivariate Splines: Theory and Its Applications".
- April 10, 2000,    Invited to give a colloquium talk at Dept. of Mathematics, Temple University, Philadelphia. The talk title is "Multivariate Splines: Theory and Applications".
- June 1, 2000    Invited to give a seminar talk at Dept. of Applied Math., School of Mathematical Sciences, Peking Univ., Beijing, China. The talk title is "Multivariate Splines for Numerical Solution of PDE's".
- June 8–22, 2000    Invited to give seminar talks at Dept. of Math., City Univ. of Hong Kong, China. The talk titles are "Multivariate Splines and Numerical Solution of PDE's."
- June 23, 2000    Invited to give a seminar talk at Dept. of Math., Zhongshan University, Guangzhou, China. The talk title is "Multivariate Splines for Scattered Data Interpolation".
- July 2, 2000    Invited to give a seminar talk at Dept. of Math., Zhejiang University, Hangzhou, China. The talk title is "Methods for Constructing Nonseparable Orthonormal Wavelets".
- March 9, 2001    Invited to give a seminar talk at Dept. of Math., University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan, U.S.A. The talk title is "Multivariate Splines for Fluid Flow Simulation".
- May 2, 2001    Invited to give a seminar talk at Dept. of Math., University of Wisconsin, Madison, Wisconsin, U.S.A. The talk title is "Multivariate Splines for Navier-Stokes Equations".
- May 31, 2001    Invited to give a seminar talk at Dept. of Math., Zhejiang University, Hangzhou, China. The talk title is "Multivariate Splines for PDE's".
- Nov. 6, 2001    Invited to give a 30 minute talk at Geometric Design and computing, a SIAM conference at Sacramento, California. The talk title is "The L1 spline method for scattered data interpolation".
- April 10, 2002,    Invited to give a seminar talk at School of Mathematics, Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, Georgia. The talk title is "Construction of Compactly Supported Orthonormal Wavelets".
- April 20, 2002,    Invited to give a seminar talk at Dept. of Mathematics, Texas A&M University, College Station, Texas. The title of talk is "Multivariate Splines and Its Applications".
- May 23, 2002,    Invited to give a seminar talk at Dept. of Computer Science and Engineering, Brigham Young University, Provo, Utah. "Multivariate Splines for Applications".
- July 8, 2002    Invited to give a 30 minutes talk at SIAM Annual conference at Philadelphia. The title of talk is "Multivariate Splines for PDE's".
- Sept 22–27, 2002    Invited to give a 30 minutes talk at an international conference on Multivariate Approximation, Haus Bommerholz, Germany. The title of the talk is "Multivariate Splines for Applications".
- Nov. 26, 2002    Invited to give a seminar talk at Department of Mathematics, University of Maryland. The title of talk is "Multivariate Splines for Numerical Solution of PDE's".

- Dec. 20–23, 2002 invited to give a 40 minute talk at an international conference on computational mathematics, Zhongshan University, Guangzhou, China. The talk title is "Construction of Compactly Supported Tight Frames".
- March 18, 2003 invited to give a seminar talk at the Department of Mathematics, Vanderbilt University. The talk title is "Construction of Compactly Supported Prewavelets in Sobolev Spaces."
- Nov. 12, 2003 invited to participate a minisymposium and present a talk at the Geometric Design and Computing at Seattle, WA. The talk title is "Construction of Compactly Supported Vertex Splines"
- Nov. 12, 2003 organized a minisymposium during the Geometric Design and Computing at Seattle, WA. The minisymposium title is "Spherical Data Interpolation and Approximation".
- Dec. 8, 2003 invited to attend a workshop at Dept. of Math., Vanderbilt University and presented a talk on "Spherical Splines for Scattered Data Interpolation".
- Aug. 18–Oct. 5, 2004 presented two talks on in the Analysis seminar, one talk in the PDE seminar, and one talk in the Applied Math. seminar at School of Mathematics, Georgia Institute of Technology.
- Dec. 8, 2004 invited to give a colloquium talk at the College of Software Engineering, Georgia Southern Polytech. State University. The talk title is "Box Spline Tight Wavelet Frames for Image Edge Detection".
- Sept. 15, 2005 invited to give a colloquium talk at the Department of Statistics, University of Georgia. The talk title is "Spherical Splines for Scattered Data Fitting".
- Oct. 21, 2005 invited to give a colloquium talk at the Georgia Southern University. The talk title is "Spherical Splines for Scattered Data Fitting".
- Nov. 2, 2005 organized a minisymposium during the Geometric Design and Computing at Pheonix, AR. The minisymposium title is "Spherical Spline Approximation".
- Feb. 24, 2006 invited to give a keynote speech at the Eleventh Annual Mathematics Technology Conference at Valdosta State University. The talk title is "Multivariate Splines and Their Applications".
- April 18, 2006 invited to give a colloquium talk at the Center of Mathematics for Application, University of Oslo, Oslo, Norway. The talk title is "Multivariate Splines for Numerical Solution of PDE's".
- March 3–8, 2007 invited to give a plenary speech at the Twelveth Approximation Theory Conference at San Antonia, TX. The talk title is "Multivariate Splines for Data Fitting".
- March 9, 2007 invited to give a colloquium talk at Texas A&M University, Prairie View, Texas. The talk title is "Box spline tight wavelet frames and their applications".
- June 18–23, 2007 invited to give a 40 minutes talk at international conference on Applied and Compuational Harmonic Analysis at Fudan University, Shanghai. The talk title is "The virtual component method in the multivariate setting".
- June 25, 2007 invited to give a talk at Nanjing University, Nanjing, China. The talk title is "multivariate splines for data fitting and approximation".
- Sept. 13–14, 2007 invited to give two colloquium talks at Northern Illinois University, DeKalb, Illinois.

- Oct. 15, 2007 invited to give a colloquium talk at Dept. of Statistics, Harvard University.

### **Research Grants**

- Dec., 1989 P. I. on a Faculty Grant from the University of Utah Research Committee.
  - Sept. 8, 1993 P. I. on a research grant from National Science Foundation (#DMS9303121) for three years 1993–1996 for an amount \$60,000.
  - July 15, 1994 P. I. on an equipment supplement from National Science Foundation for an amount \$11,200 and a matching from the State of Georgia.
  - Sept. 10, 1996 P. I. on an equipment supplement from National Science Foundation for an amount \$4,896 and a matching from the State of Georgia.
  - Aug. 1, 1998 P. I. on a research grant from National Science Foundation (#9870178) for three years 1998–2001 for an amount \$70,334.
  - Jan. 10, 2001 co-P. I. on a VIGRE grant from National Science Foundation (#DMS 0089927) for five years 2001–2005 for an amount \$2,450,000.
  - March 18, 2002 P. I. on a conference grant from the U. S. Army Research Office for an amount \$4,448.
  - July 1, 2003 P. I. on a computer equipment grant from the U.S. Army Research Office (# 44659-MA-RIP) for an amount \$54,179.
  - Sept. 1, 2003 P. I. on a collaborative mathematical research grant from the National Science Foundation (#EAR-0327577) for four years 2003–2007 for an amount \$250,166.
  - April 12, 2004 P. I. on a conference grant from the U. S. Army Research Office for an amount \$13,293.
  - Sept. 15, 2004 P. I. on a conference grant from the National Science Foundation for an amount \$18,000.
  - April, 2007 co-P.I. on a data grant from the European Space Agency for free access of the geopotential data from satellite GOCE.
  - Sept. 1, 2007 P.I. with co-PI A. Petukhov on a research grant from the National Science Foundation (#DMS 0713807) for an amount \$215,855.
- Total Amount of Federal Grants Received: \$702,373.**

### **Research Awards**

- April 2, 2003, received a Creative Research Medal Award from the University of Georgia Research Foundation.

## **Teaching and Related Activities**

### **Graduate Student Supervision**

#### **Students graduated**

- [1] Jiangxiang Liu, Masters of Sciences, graduated in Aug. 1995.
- [2] Kathleen Farmer, Masters of Sciences, graduated in Aug., 1997. She is now an instructor at Dept. of Math., North Louisiana State University.
- [3] Richard Tatum, Masters of Applied Mathematics and Sciences, graduated in Aug., 1999. He is now a scientist at Naval Surface Warfare Center, VA.

- [4] Victoria Baramidze, Masters of Applied Mathematics and Sciences, graduated in Aug., 1999.
- [5] Wenjie He, graduated with Ph.D. in Aug., 1998. He is now an associate professor at Dept. of Math. and Computer Science, University of Missouri at St. Louis, Missouri.
- [6] Xiangming Xu, graduated with Ph.D. in May, 2001. He is now a software engineer at Telchemy company in Atlanta.
- [7] Gerard Awanou, graduated with Ph.D. in Aug. 2003. He is now a post-doc associate at the Institute for Mathematics and Applications at University of Minnesota. He is now an assistant professor at Dept. of Math., Northern Illinois University, DeKalb, Illinois.
- [8] Victoria Baramidze, graduated with Ph.D. in Aug. 2005, She is now an assistant professor at West Illinois University.
- [9] Kyunglim Nam, graduated with Ph.D. in Aug. 2005. She was a visiting assistant professor at University of Toledo, Toledo, Ohio. She is now married and takes care of her baby at home.
- [10] Jie Zhou, graduated with Ph.D. in Aug., 2006. He is an assistant professor at Department of Mathematics, Coastal Carolina University in fall, 2007.
- [11] Okkyung Cho, graduated with Ph.D. in Aug., 2006. She is a visiting assistant professor at University of Toledo, Toledo, Ohio in this fall, 2006.
- [12] Haipeng Liu, graduated with Ph. D. in Aug. 2007. He is a lecturer at Georgia State University, 2007.
- [13] Jianbao Wu, graduated with Ph. D. in Aug. 2007.

**Students (after qualifying exams) under Supervision:**

- Bree Ettinger, Ph. D. student working on multivariate splines. She plans to graduate in Aug. 2008.
- Jiangying Hong, Ph. D. student working on wavelet analysis.
- Leopold Matamba, Ph. D. student working on multivariate splines for numerical solution of partial differential equations.

**Courses taught at University of Georgia**

- [1] Summer, 1992 Analytic Geometry and Calculus
- [2] Fall, 1992 Introduction to Numerical Analysis
- [3] Winter, 1993, MAT253 Analytic Geometry and Calculus
- [4] Winter, 1993, MAT404/604 Introduction to Numerical Analysis
- [5] Spring, 1993, MAT405/605, Introduction to Numerical Analysis
- [6] Summer, 1993, MAT254, Integral Calculus
- [7] Fall, 1993 , MAT254, Integral Calculus
- [8] Fall, 1993 MAT833, Advanced Numerical Analysis
- [9] Winter, 1994, MAT834, Advanced Numerical Analysis
- [10] Spring, 1994, MAT835, Advanced Numerical Analysis
- [11] Winter, 1995, MAT253, Analytic Geometry and Calculus
- [12] Winter, 1995 Mat403/603, Introduction to Numerical Analysis,
- [13] Spring, 1995 Mat404/604, Introduction to Numerical Analysis

- [14] Spring, 1995 Mat254, Integral Calculus
- [15] Fall, 1995 Mat833, Advanced Numerical Analysis
- [16] Winter, 1996 Mat834, Advanced Numerical Analysis
- [17] Spring, 1996 Mat835, Advanced Numerical Analysis
- [18] Spring, 1996 Mat894, Wavelet Analysis
- [19] Summer, 1996 Mat254, Integral Calculus
- [20] Fall, 1996 Mat833, Advanced Numerical Analysis
- [21] Winter, 1997 Mat834, Advanced Numerical Analysis
- [22] Spring, 1997 Mat835, Advanced Numerical Analysis
- [23] Fall, 1997 Mat894, Wavelet Analysis
- [24] Fall, 1997 Mat253, Differential Calculus
- [25] Winter, 1998 Mat894, Wavelet Analysis
- [26] Spring, 1998 Mat894, Wavelet Analysis
- [27] Fall, 1998 Mat8500, Advanced Numerical Analysis
- [28] Fall, 1998 Mat2200, Differential Calculus
- [29] Spring, 1999 Mat8510, Advanced Numerical Analysis,
- [30] Fall, 1999 Mat2200, Differential Calculus,
- [31] Fall, 1999 Mat8500, Advanced Numerical Analysis
- [32] Spring, 2000, Mat8770, Partial Differential Equations
- [33] Spring, 2000, Mat2200, Differential Calculus
- [34] Fall, 2000 Mat8550, Special Topics in Numerical Analysis
- [35] Fall, 2000 Mat2200, Differential Calculus
- [36] Spring, 2001, Math2210, Integral Calculus
- [37] Fall, 2001, Math8550, Special Topics in Numerical Analysis,
- [38] Fall, 2001, Math2200, Differential Calculus
- [39] Fall, 2001, Fres 1010, Freshman Seminar
- [40] Summer, 2001, Math 2200, Differential Calculus
- [41] Spring, 2002, Math8550, Special Topics in Numerical Analysis,
- [42] Spring, 2002, Math2200, Differential Calculus
- [43] Summer, 2002, Math 2500, Multivariate Calculus.
- [44] Fall, 2002, Math2200, Differential Calculus
- [45] Fall, 2002, Math2200, Differential Calculus
- [46] Fall, 2002, Math8500, Advances in Numerical Analysis
- [47] Summer, 2003, Math2210, Integral Calculus
- [48] Fall, 2003, Math2210, Integral Calculus
- [49] Fall, 2003, Math8510, Advances in Numerical Analysis
- [50] Fall, 2003, Fres 1010, Freshmen Seminar
- [51] Spring, 2004, Math2500, Multivariate Calculus
- [52] Spring, 2005, Math2210, Integral Calculus
- [53] Spring, 2005, Math8500, Advanced Numerical Analysis
- [54] Fall, 2005, Math2210, Integral Calculus
- [55] Fall, 2005, Math8550, Special Topic on Numerical Analysis
- [56] Fall, 2006, Math2500, Multivariable Calculus
- [57] Fall, 2006, Math8500, Advanced Numerical Analysis

- [58] Spring, 2007, Math8770, Partial Differential Equation
- [59] Fall, 2007, Math8510, Advanced Numerical Analysis II
- [60] Fall, 2007, Math2500, Multivariate Calculus

## **Service and Related Activities**

### **Departmental Committees**

- 1996–1998, member of the departmental facility committee
- 1997, member of CITF, University of Georgia
- 1998–2000, member of the departmental personnel committee
- 2001, chair of Kossack calculus committee
- 2000–2002, member of the departmental graduate committee
- 2002, member of Kossack calculus committee
- 2003–2005, member of college promotion and tenure committee
- 2005–2006, member of college promotion and tenure committee
- March, 2006, chair of the 3rd year review committee for Dr. Sornborger.
- 2005–2007, member of the departmental facilities committee
- 2007–2009, member of the departmental personnel committee

### **Conferences organized**

- April 11–13, 1997, chair of the organizing committee of the eighth southeastern approximation theory conference at University of Georgia, Athens.
- March 23–24, 2002, chair of the organizing committee of the tenth southeastern approximation theory conference at University of Georgia, Athens.
- May 16–19, 2005, chair of the organizing committee of the international conference on Wavelets and Splines at Athens, Georgia. It was attended by more than 100 people from 14 countries including plenary speakers Ingrid Daubechies from Princeton, David Donoho from Stanford University, Mauro Maggnioni from Yale University, Schumaker from Vanderbilt University as well as Program director Dr. Mike Coyle from the Army Research Office.
- Jan. 20 –April 30, 2007, organizing the departmental applied math. seminar.

### **Referee for following journals and funding agencies:**

Advanced in Computational Math., BIT, Computer Aided Geometric Design, Computers and Mathematics with Applications, Constructive Approximation, Journal of Approximation Theory, Journal of Computational and Applied Mathematics, Numerical Algorithm, SIAM Journal of Mathematical Analysis, SIAM Journal on Numerical Analysis, Proceedings of A. M. S., National Science Foundation, U.S. Army Research Office, Journal of Mathematical Analysis and its Applications, American Math. Society, Department of Energy.

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