

# Takumi Matsuzawa, PhD

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## EDUCATION

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- The University of Chicago** (Chicago, IL) 2016 - Aug 2023  
*Doctor of Philosophy, Physics, Advisor: Dr. William T.M. Irvine*
- The University of Chicago** (Chicago, IL) 2016-17  
*Master of Science, Physics, Advisor: Dr. Sidney R. Nagel*
- Kalamazoo College** (Kalamazoo, MI) 2013-16  
*Bachelor of Arts, Physics with honors and Chemistry, *summa cum laude**

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

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- Cornell University** (Ithaca, NY) *Schmidt Science Postdoctoral Fellow* Sep 2023 - Present
- Directing laboratory research investigating the thermodynamic effects of small molecules on biomolecular condensates
- The University of Chicago** (Chicago, IL) *Graduate Researcher* Sep 2016 - Aug 2023
- Streamlined data analysis by developing a pipeline that condensed terabytes of image data into gigabytes, significantly cutting down processing time from days to hours
  - Authored and maintained a [Python library](#) (over 25,000 lines) for scientific research, enabling advanced 3D/4D flow analysis from visualization to statistical evaluations.
  - Developed a [deep learning model](#) for accurately predicting flow patterns from sequential image data
  - Designed a cutting-edge data collection system using high-speed cameras and lasers for detailed fluid dynamics studies, securing over \$250k in funding from the Army Research Office
  - Communicated scientific ideas to a variety of audiences from experts to the general public, recognized by [multiple awards](#) from the American Physics Society and the University of Chicago
  - Guided graduate and undergraduate students on various projects, including machine learning applications in vortex dynamics and advanced 4D data visualization techniques
- Fermi National Accelerator Laboratory** (Batavia, IL) *Lee Teng Fellow* Jun - Oct 2015
- Performed [particle physics simulations](#) in C++ (Geant4) to assess the merits of the proposed proton beamline upgrade for the Mu2e experiment, one of the flagship projects by the Department of Energy

## SKILLS

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<b>Programming</b>	Python (including NumPy, SciPy, Pandas, OpenCV, PyTorch, and Scikit-learn), Java, C, MATLAB, SQL, shell scripting, CUDA, OpenGL
<b>Software &amp; Tools</b>	<a href="#">Git</a> , Mathematica, LAMMPS, Blender, Houdini, $\LaTeX$
<b>Data analysis</b>	Machine learning, image processing, 2D/3D computer vision, object tracking, Monte Carlo methods, parallel and distributed computing
<b>Operating Systems</b>	Linux, Mac, Windows
<b>Languages</b>	English (fluent), Japanese (native) and German (conversational)

## SELECTED AWARDS

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- [Schmidt Science Fellowship](#) 2024  
- Awarded to outstanding early-career scientists who drive scientific innovation and interdisciplinary research, nominated by the university and selected through a highly competitive global search process
- [Grainger Foundation Fellowship for Outstanding Research in Experimental Physics](#) 2022  
- Awarded for demonstrating excellent research ability in experimental physics

- Awarded for conducting original research that includes [beguiling imagery](#)

## PUBLICATIONS

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**T. Matsuzawa**, M. Zhu, W.T.M. Irvine, and N. Goldenfeld. Decay and propagation of confined turbulence (In preparation)

**T. Matsuzawa**, N. P. Mitchell, S. Perrard, and W. T. M. Irvine, Turbulence through sustained vortex ring collisions, *Phys. Rev. Fluids* **8**, 110507 (2023)

**T. Matsuzawa**, N. P. Mitchell, S. Perrard, and W.T.M. Irvine, Creation of an isolated turbulent blob fed by vortex rings, *Nat. Phys.* **19**, 1193–1200 (2023)

Z. Zhao, **T. Matsuzawa**, W.T.M. Irvine, M. Maire, G. Kindlmann, Reevaluating Machine Learning Models with NERO: Non-Equivariance Revealed on Orbits. D. Archambault, R. Bujack, and T. Schreck, editors, *EuroVis 2023 - Full Papers*, The Eurographics Association, 2023.

**T. Matsuzawa**, L. Zalányi, T. Kiss and P. Erdi, Multi-scale modeling of altered synaptic plasticity related to Amyloid  $\beta$  effects, *Neural Networks*, 2017.

P. Érdi, **T. Matsuzawa**, T. John, T. Kiss and L. Zalányi: Connecting Epilepsy and Alzheimer’s Disease: Modeling of Normal and Pathological Rhythmicity and Synaptic Plasticity Related to Amyloid  $\beta$  Effects. In: P. Érdi, B.S. Bhattacharya and A. Cochran (Eds.): *Computational Neurology and Psychiatry* (Springer Series in Bio-/Neuroinformatics) 1st ed. 2017 Edition, pp 93-119.

## SELECTED PRESENTATIONS (4 OUT OF 21)

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American Physical Society Division of Fluid Dynamics, *Talk* Nov 2023  
“Death and propagation of confined turbulence”

American Physical Society Division of Fluid Dynamics, *Talk* Nov 2022  
“Creation of an isolated turbulent blob sustained by vortex ring injection”

Simons Foundation, Turbulence Across Vast Scales, *Poster* Dec 2019  
“Turbulence through vortex ring collisions”

Fermi National Accelerator Laboratory, *Talk and Poster* Aug 2015  
“Targeting studies of the second-generation Mu2e experiment”

## LEADERSHIP AND SCIENTIFIC ACTIVITIES

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### Management

- Organize a weekly meeting of the laboratory by scheduling presenters and providing feedback
- Spearheaded IT operations within the laboratory, including the maintenance of databases, implementation of security measures, and management of the lab’s wiki, ensuring efficient data integrity
- Led scientific collaborations, leveraging interdisciplinary approaches to advance research initiatives.
- Trained and mentored eight students, enhancing their research skills and scientific inquiry at the University of Chicago and Cornell University.

### Teaching

- Instructed 12 physics courses in total at the University of Chicago and Kalamazoo College by leading weekly discussion sections, supervising experiments, and grading assignments and exams

### Outreach

- Dedicated weekly support to a child with autism spectrum disorder, providing educational assistance tailored to their learning needs
- Engaged the public in science through conducting physics demonstrations at over 10 outreach events, making science accessible and enjoyable