ISAAC WIND NEWELL

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Education

DPhil in Mathematics Oct. 2022 - Present

Hertford College, University of Oxford

Advisors: Prof Gui-Qiang Chen, Prof Luc Nguyen

Research area: Partial differential equations, differential geometry

Thesis topic: I study the isometric embedding of Riemannian manifolds through the medium of nonlinear PDEs (namely, the Gauss-Codazzi-Ricci (GCR) equations). I am especially interested in low-regularity problems: the interpretation, validity, and geometric consequences of the GCR equations for rough embeddings. I also study 'geometric rigidity' problems motived from elasticity theory. Broadly, I am interested in compensated compactness methods for nonlinear PDEs, mixed-type problems, and connections between differential geometry and hyperbolic conservation laws from continuum physics.

Master of Mathematics and Computer Science

Oct. 2018 - Jun. 2022

Oriel College, University of Oxford

Rank: 1/36

Thesis: Fundamental Solutions of Linear Partial Differential Operators. Mark: 88.

Exam marks for third and fourth years (70 and above is First Class):

Fixed Point Methods for Non-linear PDEs: 100

Riemannian Geometry: 100

Functional Analytic Methods for PDEs: 76

Further Functional Analysis: 80 Differentiable Manifolds: 67 Analytic Number Theory: 74

Logic and Proof: 70 Machine Learning: 80

Functional Analysis I and II: 71 and 82 Probability, Measure and Martingales: 86 Continuous Martingales and Stoch. Calculus: 76

Artificial Intelligence: 76 Quantum Information: 78

Distribution Theory and Analysis of PDEs: 83

Fourier Analysis and PDEs: 98

Awards and Scholarships

Clarendon Scholarship, University of Oxford	Oct. 2022 - Present
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Mathematical Institute Scholarship	Oct. 2022 - Present
Hoare Prize in Mathematics and Computer Science	Jul. 2022
Penultimate Year Prize, Oriel College, Oxford	Jul. 2021
Academic Scholarship, Oriel College, Oxford	Jul. 2019 – Jul. 2022
LMS Undergraduate Research Bursary	Jun. 2021

Publications and Preprints

- 1. N. Boullé, **I. Newell**, P. E. Farrell, and P. G. Kevrekidis, *Two-component three-dimensional atomic Bose-Einstein condensates supporting complex stable patterns*, Phys. Rev. A 107 (2023), 012813.
- 2. **I. Newell** and L. Nguyen, *Cartan's and Gauss' equations and rigidity theorems for isometric embeddings in low Sobolev regularity*, to appear on arXiv and submit for publication in 2025.

Talks and Seminars

- The Gauss Equation for Isometric Embeddings of Regularity $W^{1+\frac{2}{3},3} \cap C^1$, invited talk at the Keble Complexity Cluster, Oxford, May 2025.
- John Nash's 1954 paper on isometric embeddings, Oxford Nonlinear PDE seminar, Oct. 2024.
- Rigidity for isometric embeddings and the Borisov-Gromov problem, Oxford Nonlinear PDE seminar, Oct. 2023.
- Isometric embeddings of negatively curved surfaces in Euclidean 3-space, Oxford Nonlinear PDE seminar, Feb. 2023.

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Other Interests

Rock climbing, cooking, classical piano