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◇ Education

- ◇ **The University of California at Santa Barbara (UCSB)**
Ph.D. in Mechanical Engineering (2008); Advisor: Mustafa Khammash
Dissertation topic: *Modeling and Analysis of Stochastic Networks in Biological Systems.*
- ◇ **The Pennsylvania State University (PSU)**
M.S. in Aerospace Engineering (2002), Advisor: Farhan Gandhi
Thesis topic: *Fluid/Structural/Acoustic Analyses of Helicopter Blade-Vortex Interactions.*
- ◇ **The Pennsylvania State University (PSU)**
B.S. in Aerospace Engineering (2000), Advisors: Farhan S. Gandhi and Edward C. Smith
Honors thesis topic: *Active/Passive Damping Treatments to Alleviate Resonant Oscillations.*

Highlight—*My discovery of the Finite State Projection method won the 2007-2008 USCB Department of Mechanical Engineering Best Ph.D. Dissertation Award and led to several influential publications, which have been cumulatively cited over 350 times worldwide since 2006.*

◇ Research Experience (details/publications on pages 2-4)

- ◇ **Staff Scientist**, Information Sciences Group (CCS-3), Los Alamos National Lab (04/2013-Present).
- ◇ **Richard P. Feynman Distinguished Postdoctoral Fellow**, Center for Nonlinear Studies (CNLS), Los Alamos National Laboratory (04/2010-04/2013).
- ◇ **Directors Postdoctoral Fellow**, Center for Nonlinear Studies (CNLS), Los Alamos National Laboratory (06/2008-04/2010).
- ◇ **Chancellor's Graduate Research Fellow**, Mechanical Engineering, UCSB (09/2003-06/2008).
- ◇ **Graduate Research Fellow**, Aerospace Engineering, PSU (05/2000-09/2002).
- ◇ **Undergraduate Research Assistant**, Aerospace Engineering, PSU (01/1999-05/2000).

Highlight—*I have a strong publication record of two book chapters and over 30 peer-reviewed articles, including two high impact articles in **Science** (2012 and 2013), **Nature Biotechnology** (2012) and **Molecular Systems Biology** (2009).*

◇ Teaching and Mentoring Experience (details on pages 4-5)

- ◇ **Summer School Organizer and Lecturer**, Los Alamos National Laboratory (06/2008-present).
- ◇ **Postdoc Sponsor and Mentor**, Los Alamos National Laboratory (05/2011-present).
- ◇ **Course Development and Teaching**, Dept. of Mechanical Engineering, UCSB (Spring, 2007).
- ◇ **Graduate Teaching Assistant**, Dept. of Aerospace Engineering, PSU (Spring, 2001).

Highlight—*As lead organizer of the 2011 and 2012 q-bio Summer Schools, I helped increase enrollment from 40 applicants in 2010 to over 180 qualified applicants in 2012. Our recent NIH R25 proposal was funded with the best possible impact score (10) in the Oct. 2012 review at NIGMS. I have also helped organize four successful international conferences in quantitative biology, including the 2011 and 2012 q-bio Conferences.*

◇ Selected Honors and Awards (see also page 5)

- ◇ 2012 Los Alamos National Laboratory Postdoctoral Distinguished Performance award.
- ◇ 2011 NSF/I2CAM Workshop Support Award (\$25,000 in support).
- ◇ 2009-2010 Leon Heller Postdoctoral Publication Prize at the Los Alamos National Laboratory.
- ◇ 2010-2013 Richard P. Feynman Postdoctoral Fellowship at the LANL.
- ◇ 2008 Best Ph. D. Dissertation Award—UCSB Department of Mechanical Engineering.
- ◇ 2003-3008 UCSB Chancellor's Graduate Research Fellowship.
- ◇ 2001-2002 National Defense Science and Engineering Graduate (NDSEG) Fellowship.

◇ Research Experience Details

- ◇ **Staff Scientist**, Information Sciences (CCS-3), Los Alamos National Laboratory
I develop computational methods for multi-scale modeling, system identification, uncertainty quantification and experiment design to understand and predict single cell gene regulatory dynamics in various organisms relevant in field ranging from the health sciences to biofuel production (Apr. 2013 to Present).
- ◇ **Richard P. Feynman Postdoctoral Fellow**, Center for Nonlinear Studies (CNLS), Information Sciences (CCS-3) and Advanced Measurement Sciences (B-9), Los Alamos National Laboratory
As an independent postdoctoral fellow, I have initiated numerous multidisciplinary collaborations with engineers, physicists, and experimental biologists. My focus is to integrate discrete stochastic models with single-cell and single-molecule experiments in order to improve predictive understanding of biological behaviors in bacteria, yeast, algae and mammalian cells (Jul. 2008 to Apr. 2013).
- ◇ **Graduate Research Fellow**, Mechanical Engineering, UC-Santa Barbara.
I developed the Finite State Projection approach for the analysis of single-cell gene regulation dynamics. Working closely with experimental biologists, I used this approach to identify and validate a stochastic model of the Pap Pili epigenetic switch in *E. coli* (Aug. 2003 to Jun. 2008).
- ◇ **Graduate Research Fellow**, Aerospace Engineering, Penn State University.
I developed a Finite Element aeroelastic model to simulate the effects of helicopter flight trajectories on the noise due to Blade-Vortex Interactions (May 2000–Aug. 2002).
- ◇ **Undergraduate Research Assistant**, Aerospace Engineering, Penn State University.
I used Finite Element Analysis to optimize the design and control of piezoelectric and viscoelastic materials to alleviate resonant oscillations. I also helped analyze, design, and build a piezoelectric actuator for rotor blade trailing edge flaps (Jan. 1999–May. 2000).

◇ Publications

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- 32) D. Shepherd, N. Li, S. Micheva-Viteva, B. Munsky, E. Hong-Geller, and J. Werner, Counting small RNA in pathogenic bacteria. *Analytical Chemistry* **85**:10, 4938-4943, 2013. **Cover Article.**
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- 30) C. Lou, B. Stanton, Y-J. Chen, B. Munsky, C. A. Voigt, Ribozyme-based “insulator parts” buffer synthetic circuits from genetic context, *Nature Biotechnology*, **30**:11, 1137-1142, Nov. 2012.
- 29) I Nemenman, S Gnanakaran, W Hlavacek, Y Jiang, B Munsky, M Wall and J Faeder. The Fifth Annual q-bio Conference on Cellular Information Processing. *Physical Biology*, **9**, 050201, 2012.
- 28) B. Munsky*, G. Neuert*, A. van Oudenaarden, Using Gene Expression Noise to Understand Gene Regulation, *Science*, **336**:6078, 183-187, Apr. 2012. *Contributed Equally.
- 27) J. Tapia, J. Faeder, B. Munsky, Adaptive Coarse-Graining for Transient and Quasi-Equilibrium Analyses of Stochastic Gene Regulation, *Proc. of the 51st IEEE Conference on Decision and Control*, 5361-5366, Maui, HI, Dec. 2012.
- 26) D. Shepherd, N. Li, E. Hong-Geller, B. Munsky, and J. Werner, New tools for discovering the role sRNA plays in cellular regulation, *Proc. SPIE* 8228:822808, San Francisco, CA, Jan. 2012.
- 25) B. Munsky and M. Khammash, Identification from stochastic cell-to-cell variation: A genetic switch case study, *IET Systems Biology*, **4**:6, 356-366, Nov. 2010.
- 24) G. Bel*, B. Munsky*, and I. Nemenman, Simplicity of Completion Time Distributions for Common Complex Biochemical Processes, *Physical Biology*, **7**:016003, Mar. 2010. *Contributed Equally. **Most read article of 2010 at *Physical Biology*. Reviewed at *sciencedaily.com*, *biology-online.org*, *PhysOrg.com* and many others.**

- 23) B. Munsky, I. Nemenman, and G. Bel, Specificity and Completion Time Distributions of Biochemical Processes, *J. of Chemical Physics*, **131**:235103, Dec. 2009.
- 22) B. Munsky, B. Trinh and M. Khammash, Listening to the Noise: Random Fluctuations Reveal Gene Network Parameters, *Molecular Systems Biology*, **5**:318, Oct. 2009. **Faculty of 1000 Biology Must Read and awarded the 2010 Leon Heller Postdoctoral Publication Prize.**
- 21) B. Munsky and M. Khammash, Using Noise Transmission Properties to Identify Stochastic Gene Regulatory Networks, *Invited Paper: Proc. of the 47th IEEE Conference on Decision and Control*, Cancun, Mexico, Dec. 2008.
- 20) B. Munsky and M. Khammash, Transient Analysis of Stochastic Switches and Trajectories with Applications to Gene Regulatory Networks, *IET Systems Biology*, **2**:5, 323-333, Sept. 2008.
- 19) B. Munsky and M. Khammash, Computation of Switch Time Distributions in Stochastic Gene Regulatory Networks, *Invited Paper-Proc. of the 27th American Control Conference*, Seattle, WA, Jun. 2008. **Best Presentation Award.**
- 18) B. Munsky and M. Khammash, The FSP Approach for the Analysis of Stochastic Noise in Gene Networks, *IEEE Trans. Automat. Contr./IEEE Trans. Circuits and Systems: Part 1*, **52**:1, 201-214, Jan. 2008.
- 17) P. Inglesias, M. Khammash, B. Munsky, E. Sontag and D. Del Vecchio, Systems Biology and Control – A Tutorial, *46th IEEE Conference on Decision and Control*, New Orleans, LA, Dec. 2007.
- 16) B. Munsky and M. Khammash, A Multiple Time Interval Finite State Projection Algorithm for the Solution to the Chemical Master Equation, *J. Comp. Phys.*, **226**:1, 818-835, Sept. 2007.
- 15) B. Munsky and M. Khammash, Analysis of Noise Induced Stochastic Fluctuations in Gene Regulatory Networks, *J. SICE*, **46**:5, 405-411, May 2007.
- 14) M. Khammash* and B. Munsky*, Systems Theory Applications in Biology: From Stochastic Chemical Kinetics to Deterministic Model Invalidation, *Invited Paper-Proc. of the European Control Conference*, Kos, Greece, Jul. 2007.*Contributed Equally.
- 13) B. Munsky, S. Peleš and M. Khammash, M., Stochastic Analysis of Gene Regulatory Networks Using Finite State Projection and Singular Perturbation, *Invited Paper-Proc. of the 26th American Control Conference*, 1323-1328, New York, NY, Jul. 2007.
- 12) B. Munsky and M. Khammash, A Reduced Model Solution for the Chemical Master Equation Arising in Stochastic Analyses of Biological Networks, *Proc. of the 45th IEEE Conference on Decision and Control*, 25-30, San Diego, CA, Dec. 2006.
- 11) S. Peleš*, B. Munsky* and M. Khammash, Reduction and Solution of the Chemical Master Equation Using Time Scale Separation and Finite State Projection, *J. of Chemical Physics*, **125**:204104, Nov. 2006. *Contributed Equally.
- 10) B. Munsky and M. Khammash, Modeling and Analysis of a Bacterial Stochastic Switch, *Proc. of the 14th Mediterranean Conference on Control and Automation*, Ancona, Italy, Jun. 2006.
- 9) B. Munsky and M. Khammash, The Finite State Projection Algorithm for the Solution of the Chemical Master Equation, *J. of Chemical Physics*, **124**:044104, Jan. 2006.
- 8) B. Munsky, A. Hernday, D. Low, and M. Khammash, Stochastic Modeling of the Pap Pili Epigenetic Switch, *Proc. of Foundations of Systems Biology in Engineering*, 145-148, Santa Barbara, CA, Aug. 2005.
- 7) B. Munsky, F. Gandhi and L. Tauszig, Analysis of Helicopter Blade-Vortex Interaction Noise with Flight Path or Attitude Modification, *J. American Helicopter Society*, **50**:2, 123-137, Apr. 2005.
- 6) F. Gandhi and B. Munsky, Effectiveness of Active Constrained Layer Damping Treatments in Attenuating Resonant Oscillations, *J. of Vibration and Controls*, **8**:6, 747-775, 2002.
- 5) B. Munsky, F. Gandhi and L. Tauszig, *Proc. of the 58th Annual Forum of the AHS, Acoustic Session*, **2**, 1531-1551, Montreal, Canada, Jun. 2002.

- 4) F. Gandhi and B. Munsky, Comparison of Damping Augmentation Mechanisms with Position and Velocity Feedback in Active Constrained Layer Treatments, *J. of Intelligent Material Systems and Structures*, **13**:5, 259-326, May 2002.
- 3) L. Centolanza, E. Smith and B. Munsky, Design, Fabrication, and Experimental Testing of an Induced-Shear Piezoelectric Actuator for Rotor Blade Trailing Edge Flaps, *Smart Materials and Structures*, **11**, 24-35, Feb. 2002.
- 2) B. Munsky and F. Gandhi, *Proc. of the AIAA/ ASME/ ACSE/ AHS/ ASC Structures, Structural Dynamics, and Materials Conference*, Seattle, Washington, Apr. 2001.
- 1) F. Gandhi and B. Munsky, *Proc. of SPIE Smart Structures and Materials*, **3989**, Orange County, CA, pp. 61-72, Mar. 2000.

◇ Book Chapters

- ◇ B. Munsky, Modeling Cellular Variability, in *Quantitative Biology From Molecular to Cellular Systems*, pp. 234-266, M. Wall, Ed., Taylor & Francis Group, New York, NY, 2012.
- ◇ M. Khammash* and B. Munsky*, Stochastic Gene Expression: Modeling, Analysis, and Identification, in B. Levine, *The Control Handbook, Second Edition*, Taylor & Francis Group, New York, NY, 2010.

◇ Teaching and Tutoring Experience

- ◇ **Summer School Organizer and Lecturer**, Los Alamos National Laboratory.
For the q-bio Summer School (2009-2012), I have designed syllabi and taught courses; I recruited both students and senior lecturers; and I raised and awarded scholarship funding. As the main organizer for the last three years, I increased applications from 37 in 2010 to over 180 in 2012; I assisted UCSD to create a second branch campus for the summer school; and I arranged an experimental component to the 2012 summer school. *Student feedback forms available upon request.*
- ◇ **Mentoring**, Los Alamos National Laboratory.
Since 2011, I co-sponsored and co-funded an experimental/computational postdoc (Dr. Douglas Shepherd) to work on the measurement and analysis of single mRNA molecules in mammalian cells. In 2010, I mentored two graduate summer students and a postdoc in work on the analysis and identification of stochastic models for bacterial gene regulatory mechanisms.
- ◇ **Course Development and Teaching**, Department of Mechanical Engineering, UC-Santa Barbara.
Together with Mustafa Khammash, I co-developed and co-taught a new graduate level course on the modeling and analysis of stochastic gene regulatory networks. Duties included researching material, preparing and giving lectures, and assigning and grading homework and exams (Spring, 2007).
- ◇ **Graduate Teaching Assistant**, Department of of Aerospace Engineering, Penn State University.
For a course on the numerical analysis of structures, I prepared and delivered review sessions; assigned, solved, and graded homework assignments; and provided tutoring to students (Spring, 2001).

◇ Tutorials and Lectures

- ◇ B. Munsky, Analyzing and Identifying Stochastic Models Using Flow Cytometry and Fluorescence Microscopy, *The 4th q-bio Conference on Cellular Information Processing*, Santa Fe, NM, Jul.-Aug. 2010. (Updated and presented with Gregor Neuert at the *The 5th q-bio Conference*, Santa Fe, NM, Aug. 2012.)
- ◇ B. Munsky, Stochastic effects in systems biology: Theoretical Foundations and Experimental Results, Part I and II, *The 2nd q-bio Summer School on Cellular Information Processing*, Los Alamos, NM, Jul.-Aug. 2008 (Also updated and presented at *The 3rd q-bio Summer School on Cellular Information Processing*, Los Alamos, NM, Jul.-Aug. 2009).
- ◇ B. Munsky and M. Khammash, Stochastic Gene Expression in Systems Biology, *The 2nd q-bio Conference on Cellular Information Processing*, Santa Fe, NM, Aug. 6, 2008.
- ◇ M. Khammash and B. Munsky, Stochastic Gene Expression in Systems Biology, *The 8th International Conference on Systems Biology*, Long Beach, CA, Oct. 2007.

◇ Invited Talks

- ◇ *University of Minnesota*, Departments of Genetics, Cell Biology and Development and Electrical and Computer Engineering, March 2013.
- ◇ *Colorado State University, Fort Collins*, Chemical and Biological Engineering, February 2013.
- ◇ *University of California, Davis*, Biomedical Engineering, January 2013.
- ◇ *University of Illinois, Urbana Champaign*, Chemical & Biomolecular Engineering, January 2013.
- ◇ *51st IEEE Conference on Decision and Control*, Maui, HI, December 2012.
- ◇ *Iowa State University*, Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering, November 2012.
- ◇ *UC San Diego*, BioCircuits Institute and San Diego Center for Systems Biology, October 2012.
- ◇ *Design, Optimization and Control in Systems and Synthetic Biology*, Paris, France, June 2012.
- ◇ *Workshop on Stochastic Systems Biology*, Monte Verita, Switzerland, July 2011.
- ◇ *The University of Washington*, Department of Electrical Engineering, March 2011.
- ◇ *Los Alamos National Laboratory*, Physics and Theory Colloquium, October 2010.
- ◇ *The University of Washington*, Department of Electrical Engineering, May 2010.
- ◇ *The 25th Congress of the International Society for Advancement of Cytometry*, Seattle, May 2010.
- ◇ *The Santa Fe Complex*, April 2010.
- ◇ *Massachusetts Institute of Technology*, Departments of Physics and Biology, January 2010.
- ◇ *Stanford University*, Center for Cancer Systems Biology, December 2009.
- ◇ *University of California at San Francisco*, Department of Pharmaceutical Chemistry, December 2009.
- ◇ *University of California at Berkeley*, Department of Bioengineering, November 2009.
- ◇ *University of Pittsburgh*, Department of Computational and Systems Biology, March 2009.

◇ Competitively Selected Oral Presentations

- ◇ *The 3rd q-bio Conference on Cellular Information Processing*, Santa Fe, NM, August, 2009.
- ◇ *The 47th IEEE Conference on Decision and Control*, Cancun, Mexico, December 2008.
- ◇ *The 8th International Conference on Systems Biology*, Long Beach, CA, October 2008.
- ◇ *The 1st q-bio Conference on Cellular Information Processing*, Santa Fe, NM, August 2007.
- ◇ *The 27th American Control Conference*, Seattle, WA, June 2008. **Best Presentation Award.**
- ◇ *The 26th American Control Conference*, New York, NY, July 2007.
- ◇ *The 45th IEEE Conference on Decision and Control*, San Diego, CA, December 2006.
- ◇ *The 58th Annual Forum of the American Helicopter Society*, Montreal, Canada, June 2002.
- ◇ *The AIAA/ ASME/ ACSE/ AHS/ ASC Structures, Structural Dynamics, and Materials Conference*, Seattle, WA, April 2001.
- ◇ *SPIE Smart Structures and Materials*, Orange County, CA, March 2000.

◇ Honors and Awards (see also page 1)

- ◇ 2010 SIAM Conference in the Life Sciences (LS10) Poster Award
- ◇ Best Presentation in Session, 27th American Controls Conference in Seattle, WA, (June 2008)
- ◇ American Controls Conference Student Travel Award (2007, 2008)
- ◇ University of California Student Travel Grant (2007)
- ◇ NSF Graduate Fellowship Honorable Mention (2001)
- ◇ Penn State Schreyer Ambassador Travel Grant (1999)
- ◇ American Helicopter Society Vertical Flight Foundation Award (Twice: 1999, 2000)

- ◇ Mary Ilgen Memorial Scholarship (1999–2000)
- ◇ Graduated with Honors from the Penn State Schreyer Honors College (May 2000).
- ◇ Penn State Deans List (7 times).

◇ Fellowships and Research Support

- ◇ NIH/NIHMS R25 1R25GM105608-01 (04/2013-01/2017): “The q-bio Summer School,” Awarded \$685 over four years, Role: Contact PI.
- ◇ 2011 NSF/I2CAM Workshop Support Award (\$25,000 in support).
- ◇ DOE/LANL/LDRD: “Illuminating the Dark Matter of the Genome: Small RNAs as Novel Targets for Bioterrorism Countermeasures”, Oct. 2010–Oct. 2013, co-investigator.
- ◇ Richard P. Feynman Distinguished Postdoctoral Fellowship at LANL (March 2008–March 2013).
- ◇ Director’s Postdoctoral Fellowship at LANL (July 2008–March 2010).
- ◇ UCSB Chancellor’s Graduate Research Fellowship (Sep. 2003–May 2008).
- ◇ UCSB Department of Mechanical Engineering Graduate Fellowship (Sep. 2003–May 2008).
- ◇ National Defense Science and Engineering Graduate (NDSEG) Fellowship (2001–2002).
- ◇ Penn State University College of Engineering Graduate Fellowship (2000–2001).

◇ Professional Activities and Community Outreach

- ◇ Co-Organizer for a special session on Stochastic Analysis and Inference of Biochemical Processes at the 51st *IEEE Conference on Decision and Control*, Maui, HI, Dec. 2012.
- ◇ Co-Organizer for a tutorial workshop on Identification, Analysis and Design of Biological Networks at the 51st *IEEE Conference on Decision and Control*, Maui, HI, Dec. 2012.
- ◇ Co-Chair for the Biological Systems and Control Dynamics session in the Bioinformatics and Systems Biology track at the Biomedical Engineering Society 2012 Annual Meeting, Atlanta, GA, Oct. 2012.
- ◇ Co-Organizer for 5th and 6th *q-bio Conferences* (Santa Fe, New Mexico, August 2011 and 2012).
- ◇ Main organizer and Stochastic Gene Regulation Theme Leader for the 4th-6th *q-bio Summer Schools in Cellular Information Processing* (Los Alamos and Santa Fe, NM, 2010, 2011, 2012).
- ◇ Co-Organizer of *The 3rd Workshop on Stochasticity in Biochemical Reaction Networks* at the Banff International Research Station (BIRS) in Banff, Canada, Sept. 11-16, 2011. **Registration, lodging and meals paid for all 42 participants through competitive BIRS grant. Airfare paid for junior researchers through a competitive ICAM grant.**
- ◇ Co-Organizer of *The 2nd Workshop on Stochasticity in Biochemical Reaction Networks* at BIRS in Banff, Canada on Sep. 25-27, 2009. **Registration, lodging and meals paid for all 25 participants through competitive BIRS grant.**
- ◇ Co-Organizer of *The 2009-10 Center for NonLinear Studies q-bio Seminar Series*, Los Alamos National Laboratory. Duties include choosing, inviting, scheduling and arranging funding for external visitors.
- ◇ Referee for *Science Signaling*, *Physical Biology*, *Automatica*, *Physics Review Letters*, *Journal of Physics A: Mathematical and Theoretical*, *Physics Letters A*, *The IEEE Conference on Decision and Control*, *The IEEE American Controls Conference*, *The IFAC Symposium on System Identification*, *IET Systems Biology*, *Biotechnology Progress*, *PLoS Computational Biology*, and *Smart Materials and Structures*.
- ◇ Past or current member of the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE), American Physical Society (APS), the American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS), the Society for Industrial and Applied Mathematics (SIAM), the International Society for the Advancement of Cytometry (ISAC), and the Biomedical Engineering Society (BMES).

◇ Skills

- ◇ Systems and Control theory based modeling and analysis techniques for biological systems. These include tools for sensitivity and robustness analysis, model reduction, and parameter identification for complex bio-networks.
- ◇ Numerical methods for stochastic systems: stochastic simulations, τ leaping, hybrid methods, Stochastic Differential Equations, Finite State Projection reductions for master equations, and others.
- ◇ Numerical analyses of PDEs using finite difference, finite element, Raleigh-Ritz, and other approaches.
- ◇ C/C++, Fortran, Matlab, Maple, Mathematica and others.

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- ◇ FSP Toolkit for analyzing discrete stochastic processes.*
- ◇ FSP FitTools for identifying stochastic models from single cell flow cytometry measurements.*

*Available upon request.