

# Elizabeth Newman | Curriculum Vitae

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## Professional Information

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### Emory University, Department of Mathematics

Assistant Professor	2022 – present
Distinguished Visiting Assistant Professor in Scientific Computing	2019 – 2022

### Emory University, NSF REU/RET Computational Mathematics for Data Science

Mentor	Summer 2023, 2021
Executive Board Member	Summer 2021

### Spelman-Morehouse Directed Reading Program

Mentor	Spring 2022, Fall 2021
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### Previous Positions

Tufts University	Research and Teaching Assistant	2014 – 2019
Mathnasium Sudbury	Instructor	2015 – 2019
IBM TJ Watson Research Center	Visiting Scholar	Summer 2017, 2018
Haverford College	MQC Employee	2012 – 2014
University of Minnesota	MAXIMA REU Participant	Summer 2013
Carnegie Mellon University	SUAMI Participant	Summer 2012

## Education

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Ph.D.	Tufts University, Department of Mathematics Thesis: <i>A Step in the Right Dimension: Tensor Algebra and Applications</i> Advisor: Misha Kilmer	2014 – 2019
M.S.	Tufts University, Department of Mathematics	2014 – 2016
B.S.	Haverford College, Department of Mathematics and Statistics Major: Mathematics, Minor: Statistics and Psychology Thesis: <i>Understanding Bruhat Order for Hyperbolic Coxeter Groups</i> Advisor: Elizabeth Miličević (née Beazley)	2010 – 2014
Member	Haverford Varsity Women's Soccer and Softball Teams All-Conference: 2011 – 2014 Conference Honor Role: 2010 – 2014	2010 – 2014

## Research Interests

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numerical (multi)-linear algebra, deep learning, optimization, scientific computing, reinforcement learning, and more

## Funding and Awards

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### Grants

- [G3] Building open machine-learning benchmarks: improving pipelines for blended data and performance evaluation frameworks  
 Source: [SANDIA National Laboratories LDRD](#)  
 PI(s): Amelia Henriksen (Sandia)  
 Co-PI(s): Miranda Mundt (Sandia), Tomas Babuska (Sandia), Andy Wilson (Sandia), Danny Dunlavy (Sandia), Elizabeth Newman (Emory)  
 Amount: \$140,000  
 September 1, 2023  
 – August 31, 2025
- [G2] [Learnable Tensor Algebras for Harnessing Implicit Correlations in Multiway Data](#)  
 Source: *NSF DMS-2309751*  
 PI(s): Elizabeth Newman  
 Co-PI(s): —  
 Amount: \$230,000  
 September 1, 2023  
 – August 31, 2026
- [G1] AI-Assisted Social Justice in Tissue and Organ Biomanufacturing  
 Source: *Emory/Georgia Tech AI.Humanity with a Social Justice Lens*  
 PI(s): Saman Zonouz (Georgia Tech), Vahid Serpooshan (Emory, Georgia Tech)  
 Co-PI(s): Aaron Levine (Georgia Tech), Elizabeth Newman (Emory)  
 Amount: \$100,000  
 January 1, 2023  
 – December 31, 2023

### Research Awards

- [A1] [Best Poster](#)  
*XXI Householder Symposium on Numerical Linear Algebra*  
 June 2022

### Travel Awards

- [T6] [Postdoctoral Association Professional Development Award](#)  
 January 2022
- [T5] [SIAM Student Travel Award](#)  
 February 2019
- [T4] [Graduate Student Travel Fund](#)  
 February 2019
- [T3] [SIAM Student Travel Award](#)  
 May 2018
- [T2] [Conference Student/Post-doc Travel Awards](#)  
 May 2018

[T1] [Gradute Student Travel Fund](#) June 2018

### Teaching Awards

[T1] Distinguished Teaching Prize Fall 2016 – Spring 2017  
*Tufts University Department of Mathematics*

## Scholarly Work

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### In Preparation

- [IP4] MRI-based auto-Segmentation in Pituitary macro-adenomas using Convolutional Neural Networks: Methodology, Results and Potential application
- [IP3] Learnable Tensor Algebras: Optimal Tensor-Tensor Products via Variable Projection  
E. Newman and K. Keegan
- [IP2] GNFlow: Towards Fast and Automated Reinforcement Learning  
E. Newman, K. Kan, L. Ruthotto, and B. Peters
- [IP1] Gauss-Newton for Deep Neural Networks  
L. Ruthotto, E. Newman, D. Verma, S. Wu Fung

### Submitted

- [S4] Stable Tensor Neural Networks for Efficient Deep Learning January 2024  
E. Newman, L. Horesh, H. Avron, and M. Kilmer  
*Frontiers in Big Data: Statistical Inference for Tensor Data*
- [S3] Fast & Fair: Efficient Second-Order Robust Optimization for Fairness February 2024  
in Machine Learning  
H. Anh Vu, A. Minch, and A. Warren  
*SIAM Undergraduate Research Online*

### Preprints

- [Pre2] [Image Reconstructions Using Sparse Dictionary Representations and Implicit, Non-negative Mappings](#) December 2023  
E. Newman, J. M. Solomon, and M. Chung
- [Pre1] [Stable Tensor Neural Networks for Rapid Deep Learning](#) November 2018  
E. Newman, L. Horesh, H. Avron, and M. Kilmer

### Journal Articles

- [J5] [slimTrain - A Stochastic Approximation Method for Training Separable Deep Neural Networks](#) August 2022  
E. Newman, J. Chung, M. Chung, and L. Ruthotto  
*SIAM Journal on Scientific Computing*
- [J4] [hessQuik: Fast Hessian Computation of Composite Functions](#) April 2022  
E. Newman and L. Ruthotto  
*Journal of Open Source Software*
- [J3] [Tensor-Tensor Algebra for Optimal Representation and Compression of Multiway Data](#) July 2021  
M. Kilmer, L. Horesh, H. Avron, and E. Newman  
*Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*
- [J2] [Train Like a \(Var\)Pro: Efficient Training of Neural Networks with Variable Projection](#) October 2021  
E. Newman, L. Ruthotto, J. Hart, and B. van Bloemen Waanders  
*SIAM Journal on Mathematics of Data Science*
- [J1] [Non-negative Tensor Patch Dictionary Approaches for Image Compression and Deblurring Applications](#) October 2021  
E. Newman and M. Kilmer  
*SIAM Journal on Imaging Sciences*

### Conference Proceedings

- [CP2] [AI/ML-derived mechanistically-interpretable whole-genome biomarkers of patient survival in pre-treatment primary neuroblastoma tumors and whole blood](#) 2024  
O. Alter, E. Newman, S. Ponnappalli, and J. Tsai  
*American Society of Clinical Oncology*
- [CP1] [Image Classification Using Local Tensor Singular Value Decompositions](#) 2017  
E. Newman, M. Klimer, and L. Horesh  
*IEEE 7th International Workshop on Computational Advances in Multi-Sensor Adaptive Processing (CAMSAP)*

### Patents

- [Pat2] System and Method for Optimal Multidimensional Data Compression by Tensor-tensor Decomposition March 2019  
Klimer (Tufts), Horesh (IBM), Avron (Tel Aviv), and Newman (Tufts)  
*Patent reference P201807026US01*
- [Pat1] Generating and Managing Deep Tensor Neural Networks November 2018  
Klimer (Tufts), Horesh (IBM), Avron (Tel Aviv), and Newman (Tufts)  
*Patent reference P201803885US01*

**Code Repositories**

[R7]	<a href="#">DL4IP</a> : Dictionary learning for inverse problems	2023
[R6]	<a href="#">fast-n-fair</a> : Fast adversarial training for fair machine learning	2023
[R5]	<a href="#">tmn</a> : A lightweight repository for tensor neural networks and stable architectures.	2023
[R4]	<a href="#">hessQuik</a> : Computing gradients and Hessians of feed-forward networks with GPU acceleration	2022
[R3]	<a href="#">slimTrain</a> : Sampled Limited-Memory DNN Training using Pytorch	2022
[R2]	<a href="#">tensor-fmri</a> : Tensor-based approaches for fMRI classification	2021
[R1]	<a href="#">Meganet.m</a> : A fresh approach to deep learning written in MATLAB	2019 – present

**Advised Publications**

[A2]	<a href="#">A Tensor SVD-based Classification Algorithm Applied to fMRI Data</a> K. Keegan, T. Vishwanath, and Y. Xu <i>SIAM Undergraduate Research Online</i> <i>Third Place, The Undergraduate Statistics Project Competition</i>	August 2022
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**Conferences, Workshops, and More****Upcoming**

[U7]	<a href="#">Modeling and Optimization: Theory and Applications</a> (Presenter)	August 2024
[U6]	<a href="#">SIAM Conference on the Mathematics of Data Science</a> (Organizer)	October 2024
[U5]	<a href="#">SIAM Annual Meeting</a> (Organizer)	July 2024
[U4]	<a href="#">SIAM Conference on Imaging Science</a> (Organizer)	May 2024
[U3]	<a href="#">SIAM Conference on Imaging Science</a> (Presenter)	May 2024
[U2]	<a href="#">ICMS Workshop on Big Data Inverse Problem</a> (Presenter)	May 2024
[U1]	<a href="#">SIAM Conference on Applied Linear Algebra</a> (Presenter)	May 2024

**Conference Organizer**

[O1]	<a href="#">Georgia Scientific Computing Symposium</a>	February 2024
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**Plenary Speaker**

[P1]	<a href="#">Georgia Scientific Computing Symposium</a>	February 2023
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**Workshops**

[W11]	<a href="#">ICERM Connecting Higher-Order Statistics and Symmetric Tensors</a>	January 2024
[W10]	<a href="#">Workshop on Sparse Tensor Computations</a>	October 2023
[W9]	<a href="#">AFOSR Computational Math Annual Review</a>	August 2023
[W8]	<a href="#">Emory University NSF CAREER Academy</a>	June 2023
[W7]	<a href="#">BIRS Workshop: Scientific Machine Learning</a>	June 2023

[W6]	<a href="#">Scientific Machine Learning for Complex Systems: Beyond Forward Simulation to Inference and Optimization</a>	October 2022
[W5]	<a href="#">ICERM Spring 2020 Reunion Event</a>	May 2022
[W4]	<a href="#">Rising Stars 2022</a>	April 2022
[W3]	<a href="#">Simons Institute: Workshop on Dynamics and Discretization: PDEs, Sampling, and Optimization</a>	October 2021
[W2]	<a href="#">ICCV 2021 Workshop on Topology, Algebra and Geometry in Computer Vision</a>	October 2021
[W1]	<a href="#">BIRS Workshop: Optimization under Uncertainty: Learning and Decision Making</a>	February 2021

### Minisymposium Organizer

[O6]	<a href="#">SIAM Conference on Optimization</a> <i>Efficient Optimization In High Dimensions</i>	May 2023
[O5]	<a href="#">AMS Sectional Meeting</a> <i>Special Session on Recent Advances and Applications in Imaging Sciences</i>	March 2023
[O4]	<a href="#">Joint Mathematics Meeting</a> <i>Numerical Linear Algebra: Algorithms, Computations, and Applications</i>	January 2023
[O3]	<a href="#">SIAM Conference on Data Science</a> <i>Tensor Methods and Applications to Real-World Data</i>	September 2022
[O2]	<a href="#">17th Copper Mountain Conference on Iterative Methods</a> <i>Iterative Methods for Neural Net Training</i>	April 2022
[O1]	<a href="#">SIAM Annual Meeting (<i>accepted, canceled due to COVID-19</i>)</a> <i>A Deep Look at Neural Networks with Applications in Scientific Machine Learning</i>	July 2020

### Tutorials

[T1]	<a href="#">Deep Learning Tutorial</a>	April 2023
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### Invited Speaker

[I18]	<a href="#">Worcester Polytechnical Institute</a>	November 2023
[I17]	<a href="#">Colorado School of Mines</a>	November 2023
[I16]	<a href="#">Numerical Analysis Seminar</a>	April 2023
[I15]	<a href="#">One World MINDS Seminar</a>	March 2023
[I14]	<a href="#">Seminar @ISPGroup</a>	March 2023
[I13]	<a href="#">Oxford Data Science Seminar</a>	March 2023
[I12]	<a href="#">Center for Mathematics and Artificial Intelligence Colloquium</a>	February 2023
[I11]	<a href="#">Data Enabled Science Seminar</a>	March 2022
[I10]	<a href="#">Center for Computing Research Seminar Series</a>	November 2021
[I9]	<a href="#">Computational and Applied Mathematics Seminar</a>	November 2021

[I8]	Applied Numerical Analysis Seminar	October 2021
[I7]	<a href="#">Communications in NLA</a>	November 2020
[I6]	<a href="#">Bi-College Math/Stat Colloquium</a>	December 2019
[I5]	<a href="#">Scientific Computing Seminar</a>	September 2019
[I4]	Schlumberger Doll Research	May 2019
[I3]	SIAM Tufts Student Chapter	September 2018
[I2]	IBM TJ Watson Research Center	August 2018
[I1]	Computational and Applied Math Seminar	March 2018

### Conference Presenter

[C20]	<a href="#">SIAM Conference on Uncertainty Quantification</a>	February 2024
[C19]	<a href="#">Joint Mathematics Meeting</a>	January 2024
[C18]	<a href="#">AWM Research Symposium</a>	September 2023
[C17]	<a href="#">10th International Congress on Industrial and Applied Mathematics</a>	August 2023
[C16]	<a href="#">SIAM Conference on Computational Science and Engineering</a>	February 2023
[C15]	<a href="#">SIAM Conference on Uncertainty Quantification</a>	April 2022
[C14]	<a href="#">Joint Mathematics Meeting</a>	April 2022
[C13]	<a href="#">Mechanistic Machine Learning and Digital Twins for Computational Science, Engineering, and Technology</a>	September 2021
[C12]	<a href="#">SIAM Conference on Optimization</a>	July 2021
[C11]	<a href="#">SIAM Annual Meeting</a>	July 2021
[C10]	<a href="#">SAMSI Workshop on Numerical Analysis for Data Science</a>	May 2021
[C9]	<a href="#">SIAM Conference on Computational Science and Engineering</a>	March 2021
[C8]	<a href="#">Georgia Scientific Computing Symposium</a>	February 2021
[C7]	<a href="#">SIAM Conference on Imaging Science</a>	July 2020
[C6]	<a href="#">SIAM Conference on Data Science</a>	May 2020
[C5]	<a href="#">SIAM Southeastern Atlantic Section</a>	September 2019
[C4]	<a href="#">SIAM Conference on Computational Science and Engineering</a>	February 2019
[C3]	<a href="#">SIAM Conference on Imaging Science</a>	June 2018
[C2]	<a href="#">SIAM Conference on Applied Linear Algebra</a>	May 2018
[C1]	<a href="#">15th Copper Mountain Conference on Iterative Methods</a>	March 2018

## Teaching

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### Graduate Courses

[T6]	MATH789: Topics in Analysis: Introduction to Tensor Decompositions	Fall 2023
[T5]	MATH789: Research Training Group Seminar	Fall 2022

### Undergraduate Courses

[T6]	MATH315: Numerical Analysis	Fall 2023, Spring 2022
[T5]	MATH221: Linear Algebra	Spring 2022, Fall 2020, Spring 2020, Fall 2019
[T4]	MATH347: Introduction to Nonlinear Optimization	Spring 2024, Fall 2021, Spring 2021
[T3]	MATH0034: Calculus II	Spring 2016

### Teaching Assistant

[T7]	MATH0042: Calculus III	Spring 2019
[T6]	MATH0034: Calculus II	Spring 2017
[T5]	MATH0128: Numerical Linear Algebra	Spring 2019
[T4]	MATH0126: Numerical Analysis	Fall 2018
[T3]	MATH0019: Math of Social Choice	Fall 2015
[T2]	MATH0136: Analysis II	Spring 2015
[T1]	MATH0135: Analysis I	Fall 2014

## Advisees

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### Ph.D. Students

[Katherine Keegan](#) Fall 2022 – present  
DOE Computational Science Graduate Fellowship, Emory  
Women in Natural Sciences Fellowship

### Current Undergraduate Advisees

[Jafer Hasnain](#) Summer 2023 – present  
Emory Honors Program and Emory SIRE Program  
Project: Reinforcement Learning with Manifold Optimization

[Rudy Nunez](#) Fall 2023 – present  
[Emory SIRE Program](#)  
Project: Bayesian Neural Networks

### Math Data Collection Initiative Advisees

Nia Jobson (*Project: Generative Modeling*) Spring 2024

Mia Sager (*Project: Fairness in Machine Learning*) Spring 2024

Nathaniel Schrader (*Project: Climate Modeling*) Spring 2024

Malia Walewski (*Project: Reinforcement Learning*) Spring 2024

Sam Wang (*Project: Climate Modeling*) Spring 2024



**Former Advisees**

<a href="#">Jonathan Valyou</a>		Fall 2021 – Spring 2021
Program: <a href="#">Emory Honors Program and Emory SIRE Program</a>		
First Job: Ph.D Student in Applied and Computational Mathematics at Florida State University		
<a href="#">Storm Chin</a>		Spring 2022
Program: <a href="#">Spelman-Morehouse Directed Reading Program</a>		
First Job: Business Analyst at McKinsey & Company		
<a href="#">Geoffrey Thorpe</a>		Fall 2021
Program: <a href="#">Spelman-Morehouse Directed Reading Program</a>		
First Job: Pricing Analyst at Payroc		

**Emory REU Advisees**

<a href="#">Allen Minch</a>	<i>Brandeis University</i>	Summer 2023
<a href="#">Hung Anh Vu</a>	<i>University of Maryland</i>	Summer 2023
<a href="#">Annie Warren</a>	<i>University of Minnesota</i>	Summer 2023
Vida John	<i>Tessellations School</i>	Summer 2021
<a href="#">Katherine Keegan</a>	<i>Mary Baldwin University</i>	Summer 2021
<a href="#">Tanvi Vishwanath</a>	<i>Texas A &amp; M</i>	Summer 2021
<a href="#">Yihua Xu</a>	<i>Georgia Tech</i>	Summer 2021
<a href="#">Neeharika Kotte</a>	<i>Washington University in St. Louis</i>	Summer 2019
(Co-advised with Lars Ruthotto)		
<a href="#">Haoruo Zhao</a>	<i>University of Wisconsin-Madison</i>	Summer 2019
(Co-advised with Lars Ruthotto)		

**Emory Ph.D Dissertation Committee**

<a href="#">Alex Dunbar</a>	<i>Department of Mathematics</i>	Spring 2024
<a href="#">Benjamin Yellin</a>	<i>Department of Mathematics</i>	Spring 2024
<a href="#">Xingjian Li</a>	<i>Department of Mathematics</i>	Fall 2023

**Emory Ph.D Qualifying Exam Committee**

<a href="#">Abigail Julian</a>	<i>Department of Computer Science</i>	Fall 2022
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**Emory Honors Thesis Committee**

Zoe Li	<i>Department of Mathematics</i>	Spring 2024
Hung Ngo	<i>Department of Mathematics</i>	Spring 2024
<a href="#">Yujia (Judy) Hao</a>	<i>Department of Mathematics</i>	Spring 2023
<a href="#">Ravij Lade</a>	<i>Department of Economics</i>	Spring 2023
<a href="#">Zirui (Ray) Chen</a>	<i>Department of Neuroscience</i>	Spring 2022
<a href="#">Xiaoyuan (Sophy) Huang</a>	<i>Department of Computer Science</i>	Spring 2022

**Service and Memberships****Memberships**

Society for Industrial and Applied Mathematics	Fall 2014 – present
American Mathematical Society	Fall 2014 – present
Association for Women in Mathematics	Fall 2014 – present

**Committee Work**

Computational Mathematics for AI Tenure-Track Search <i>Committee Member</i>	Fall 2022 – Spring 2023
<a href="#">Postdoctoral Council for Diversity</a> <i>Member</i>	Spring 2021 – Fall 2021
<a href="#">Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee</a> <i>Member of Postdoctoral Subgroup</i>	Spring 2021 – Fall 2021

**Funding Reviewer**

<a href="#">National Science Foundation</a> <i>Panelist</i>	2024/03/01
<a href="#">Department of Energy</a> <i>Panelist</i>	Spring 2023
<a href="#">University Research Committee</a> <i>Reviewer</i>	Spring 2023
Emory University Postdoctoral Association Professional Develop Award <i>Reviewer</i>	Spring 2022

**Service**

Math DEI Book Group <i>Emory University</i>	Spring 2024
<a href="#">Mathematical and Interdisciplinary Contest in Modeling</a> <i>COMAP</i>	Spring 2020
<a href="#">Graduate Student Council</a> <i>Tufts University</i>	Fall 2015 – Spring 2016
<a href="#">Organization of Graduate Students in Mathematics</a>	Fall 2014 – Spring 2015

*Tufts University*

### Outreach

Broader Engagement Guided Affinity Group, *SIAM* 2024/10/01  
 Math Superstars, *Mary Lin Elementary School* March 2024

### Extracurricular Activities

Biden Campaign Fall 2020  
 Fair Fight Action Fall 2020

### Paper Reviewer

Inverse Problems and Imaging, *AIMS* October 2023  
 Association for Women in Mathematics (AWM), *WISDM* July 2024  
 Transactions on Machine Learning Research, *TMLR* April 2024  
 Journal on Scientific Computing, *SIAM* May 2024  
 Journal on Mathematics of Data Science, *SIAM* October 2021  
 Undergraduate Research Journal Online, *SIAM* March 2022  
 Numerical Linear Algebra with Applications, *Wiley Online Library* February 2022  
 Transactions on Signal Processing, *IEEE* September 2022  
 Transactions on Cybernetics, *IEEE* August 2020  
 Journal of Selected Topics in Signal Processing, *IEEE* June 2020  
 Journal of Mathematical Imaging and Vision, *Springer* September 2023  
 Journal of Machine Learning for Modeling and Computing, *Begell House Online* December 2022  
 BIT Numerical Mathematics, *Springer* August 2022  
 Applied Mathematical Modelling, *Elsevier* August 2020  
 Applied Mathematics and Computations, *Science Direct* June 2020  
 Linear Algebra and Its Applications, July 2019  
 Inverse Problems and Imaging, September 2023  
 Mathematical and Scientific Machine Learning, December 2019