

# Yair Mau

## *Curriculum Vitae*

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### Research Positions and Education

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| 2016 - today    | Senior Lecturer at the Department of Soil and Water Sciences, Robert H. Smith Faculty of Agriculture, Food and Environment, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Israel.                                                                     |
| 2013 - 2016     | Postdoctoral associate at the Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering, Duke University, United States, under the guidance of prof. Amilcare Porporato. <b>Vaadia-BARD Postdoctoral Fellowship FI-517-14.</b>                      |
| 2013            | Ph.D. at the Physics Department of the Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, Israel. Research under the guidance of prof. Ehud Meron.<br>Thesis: <i>Pattern formation in spatially forced systems: application to vegetation restoration.</i> |
| Summers 2008-10 | Research at the Los Alamos National Laboratory, Los Alamos, NM, United States, under the guidance of Dr. Aric Hagberg.                                                                                                                      |
| 2009            | M.Sc. at the Physics Department of the Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, Israel. Research under the guidance of prof. Ehud Meron.<br>Thesis: <i>Localized spatial structures in non-equilibrium systems.</i>                              |
| 2004            | B.Sc. at the Physics Institute of the University of São Paulo, Brazil.                                                                                                                                                                      |

### Publications

#### Papers in peer-reviewed journals

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| 2016 | <b>Yair Mau</b> and Amilcare Porporato. Optimal control solutions to sodic soil reclamation. <i>Advances in Water Resources</i> , 91:37–45, 2016                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| 2015 | A. Porporato, X. Feng, S. Manzoni, <b>Yair Mau</b> , A.J. Parolari, and G. Vico. Ecohydrological modeling in agroecosystems: Examples and challenges. <i>Water Resources Research</i> , 2015<br><b>Yair Mau</b> and Amilcare Porporato. A dynamical system approach to soil salinity and sodicity. <i>Advances in Water Resources</i> , 83:68–76, 2015<br><b>Yair Mau</b> , Lev Haim, and Ehud Meron. Reversing desertification as a spatial resonance problem. <i>Physical Review E</i> , 91(1):012903, 2015 |
| 2014 | <b>Yair Mau</b> , Xue Feng, and Amilcare Porporato. Multiplicative jump processes and applications to leaching of salt and contaminants in the soil. <i>Physical Review E</i> , 90(5):052128, 2014                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |

- Lev Haim, **Yair Mau**, and Ehud Meron. Spatial forcing of pattern-forming systems that lack inversion symmetry. *Physical Review E*, 90(2):022904, 2014
- 2013 **Yair Mau**, Lev Haim, Aric Hagberg, and Ehud Meron. Competing resonances in spatially forced pattern-forming systems. *Physical Review E*, 88(3):032917, 2013
- 2012 **Yair Mau**, Aric Hagberg, and Ehud Meron. Spatial periodic forcing can displace patterns it is intended to control. *Physical Review Letters*, 109(3):034102, 2012
- 2009 **Yair Mau**, Aric Hagberg, and Ehud Meron. Dual-mode spiral vortices. *Physical Review E*, 80(6):065203, 2009

## Presentations

### Seminars

- 2015 Department of Earth and Planetary Sciences, Weizmann Institute of Science, Israel.  
Faculty of Civil and Environmental Engineering, Technion, Israel.  
Faculty of Agriculture, Food and Environment, Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Israel.  
Institute for Desert Research, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, Israel.
- 2014 Center for Nonlinear and Complex Systems, Duke University.
- 2013 Faculty of Mathematics and Computer Science, Weizmann Institute of Science, Israel.  
Physics Department, Bar-Ilan University, Israel.  
Center for Nonlinear Studies at the Los Alamos National Laboratory.
- 2012 Physics Department, Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Israel.  
Physics Department, Tel Aviv University, Israel.  
Institute for Desert Research, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, Israel.  
Physics Department, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, Israel.

### Conferences

- 2016 Dynamics Days US, Durham, NC, United States (poster).
- 2014 American Geophysical Union fall meeting, United States (contributed talk).  
Dynamics Days US, Atlanta, GA, United States (poster). **Best Poster Award.**
- 2013 Eco-hydrology of Semiarid Environments Workshop, Beer Sheva, Israel (poster).  
Dynamics Days US, Denver, CO, United States (poster).
- 2012 Nonlinear and Soft Matter Physics session at the Israel Physical Society meeting (contributed talk).  
Drylands, Deserts and Desertification Conference, Sde Boker, Israel (poster).

2011 | Dynamics Days Europe, Oldenburg, Germany (poster).

## Teaching Experience

- 2009 - 2013 | Teaching lab assistant for third year students at the Physics Department at Ben-Gurion University of the Negev in the field of electro-optics. Experiments: optical Fourier transform and optical fibers.
- 2010 - 2013 | Coordinator and instructor of the selection process of the Israeli National Physics Olympiad for high school students.

## Computation Skills

Programming in Python, C, Mathematica, and Matlab; numerical integration of PDEs using explicit and semi-spectral methods; numerical integration of SDEs using Monte Carlo methods; numerical continuation of solutions of nonlinear equations using AUTO; writing in  $\LaTeX$ .

## Languages

- Mother tongue | Portuguese
- High level | English, Hebrew, Spanish and French