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## Research Interests

My research interests are in mathematical problems with a computational spin. I am particularly interested in how understanding the fundamental mathematics of a problem can lead to improved algorithms. Examples include combinatorial optimization, convex geometry, Gröbner bases, Schreier–Sims, and any NP-hard problem which becomes computable in for specific structures.

## Education

**2015** Ph.D. – University of Minnesota (Expected graduation date: May 2015)

*Advisor: Victor Reiner*

*Thesis: Diameter and Coherence of Monotone Path Graphs.*

**2008** M.S. – University of Minnesota (Awarded, 2014)

*Advisor: Ezra Miller (now at Duke University)*

*Thesis: A hypergeometric series*

**2003** B.S. – Mathematics Michigan Technological University

*Magna Cum Laude*

**2003** B.S. – Computer Science Michigan Technological University

*Cum Laude*

## Employment History

**2009 - Present** Adventium Labs, 111 3rd Ave S, Minneapolis, MN 55401

*Research Graduate Intern*

**2011 - Present** University of Minnesota (MathCEP), Minneapolis, MN

*Workshop Leader/Instructor*

School of Mathematics Center for Educational Programs. I work primarily in an accelerated program for talented high school students taking honors classes at the University of Minnesota.

**2004 - 2011** University of Minnesota (Department of Mathematics), Minneapolis, MN

*Graduate Teaching Assistant*

## Programming Languages

### Significant Experience

*Python* - Scientific Computing using pylab, scipy, graphviz; interface with other languages, rapid prototyping and proof of concept

*Java* - Application development in eclipse, including eclipse plugin development

*Mathematical Software* - Mathematica, Matlab/Octave, Sage, Gap, Macaulay.

*Constraint Reasoning Software* - SMT (SMT2.0, Yices, z3), CSP (MiniZinc, JaCoP).

*C/C++* - STL, OpenMP, MPI, GDB.

## Awards and Honors

- 2014** Distinguished Performer – Award for work on DARPA VET planning program.
- 2011** Distinguished Performer – Award for work on Navy MiCart scheduling program.
- 2004** Math in Moscow Scholarship – NSF/AMS Scholarship to attend Math in Moscow Program
- 2003** Math in Moscow Scholarship – (same as above).
- 2002** MASS program – Scholarship for REU and advanced undergraduate classes.
- 2002** MTU National Scholars Program – Merit-based scholarship awarded to non-Michigan residents.

## Selected Departmental/Institutional Talks

- 2014** Inequalities on a Plane, MathCEP Teacher Professional Development)
- 2012** Diameter of Hyperplane Arrangements, Adventium Labs
- 2009** Tropical Discriminants, Duke University

## Teaching Experience

### University of Minnesota

*Calculus 1* (College of Liberal Arts) – Primary Instructor

*Honors Multivariable Calculus* (MathCEP/Honors College) – Workshop Instructor

*Honors Differential Equations* (MathCEP/Honors College) – Workshop Instructor

*Multivariable Calculus* (College of Science and Engineering) – Teaching Assistant

*Calculus 2* (College of Liberal Arts) – Teaching Assistant

*Calculus 1* (College of Liberal Arts) – Teaching Assistant

*Precalc 2* (College of Liberal Arts) – Teaching Assistant

*College Algebra* (College of Liberal Arts) – Teaching Assistant

### Augsburg University

*Practical Applications of Mathematics* – Primary Instructor

### Duke University

*Multivariable calculus for Economics and Finance students* – Teaching Assistant