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## Employment

- **The Institute for Advanced Study**  
*Friends of the Institute* Member, School of Mathematics  
Princeton, USA  
Sep 2017 – Present
- **The University of Oxford + The Alan Turing Institute**  
*Alan Turing* Research Fellow, Mathematics  
Oxford/London, UK  
Oct 2016 – Present
- **The University of Pennsylvania**  
Post-Doctoral Researcher, Mathematics  
Philadelphia, USA  
Sep 2012 – Aug 2016

## Education

- **Rutgers University**  
Ph.D. in Mathematics  
New Brunswick, USA  
Aug 2006 – Aug 2012
- **Georgia Institute of Technology**  
M.S. in Applied Mathematics  
Atlanta, USA  
Aug 2004 – May 2006
- **Georgia Institute of Technology**  
B.S. in Computer Engineering & Minor in Mathematics  
Atlanta, USA  
Aug 2000 – May 2004

## Awards

PNNL High Performance Data Analytics contract, 2015 – 2016

Penn Math Good Teaching Awards, Spring 2014 and Fall 2015

## Publications

14. Compressing and reconstructing group actions on graphs (with L Carbone and Y Naqvi)  
**In preparation**
13. Reconstructing functions between Euclidean compacta (with F Chazal and S Ferry)  
**In preparation**
12. Local cohomology and stratification  
**Under review**, arXiv:1707.00354 [math.AT] (2017)
11. Discrete Morse theory and classifying spaces (with D Tamaki and K Tanaka)  
**Under review**, arXiv:1612.08429 [math.AT] (2016)
10. Discrete Morse theory and localization  
**Under review**, arXiv:1510.01907 [math.AT] (2015)
9. Topological signals of singularities in simplicial Ricci Flow (with P Alsing et al)  
**Axioms**, 6(3) Article 24 (2017)
8. Higher interpolation and extension for persistence modules (with P Bubenik and V de Silva)  
**SIAM Journal on Applied Algebra and Geometry**, 1(1), 272–284 (2017)
7. Discrete Morse theory for computing cellular sheaf cohomology (with J Curry and R Ghrist)  
**Foundations of Computational Mathematics**, 16(4), 875–897 (2016)
6. A topological measurement of protein compressibility (with M Gameiro et al)  
**Japan Journal of Industrial and Applied Mathematics**, 32(1), 1–17 (2015)
5. Reconstructing functions from random samples (with S Ferry and K Mischaikow)  
**Journal of Computational Dynamics**, 1(2), 233–248 (2014)
4. Simplicial models and topological inference in biological systems (with R Sazdanović)  
Chapter 6 of **Discrete and Topological Models in Molecular Biology**, Springer (2014)
3. Discrete Morse theoretic algorithms for computing homology of complexes and maps  
(with S Harker, K Mischaikow and M Mrozek)  
**Foundations of Computational Mathematics**, 14(1), 151–184 (2014)
2. Geometry in the space of persistence modules (with V de Silva)  
**Proc. 23rd Annual Symposium on Computational Geometry**, 397–404 (2013)

1. Morse theory for filtrations and efficient computation of persistent homology (with K Mischaikow)  
**Discrete and Computational Geometry**, 50(2), 330–353 (2013)

## Talks

(2017)

**Aug** *Applied Algebraic Topology Workshop*, Hokkaido University, Japan  
**Jul** *Foundations of Computational Mathematics Conference*, Universitat Barcelona, Spain  
**Jul** *Institute of Perception, Action and Behaviour (IPAB) Seminar*, University of Edinburgh, UK  
**Jun** *Mathematical Underpinnings of Data Analysis Session*, Alan Turing Institute, UK  
**Apr** *Pure Mathematics Colloquium*, University of Sheffield, UK  
**Apr** *3C in G Workshop on Computational Algebra*, University of Cambridge, UK  
**Mar** *Geometry Seminar*, (King's + University) College London, UK  
**Mar** *Research Fellow Short Talk*, Alan Turing Institute, UK ([video](#))  
**Mar** *Algebraic and Symplectic Geometry Seminar*, University of Oxford, UK  
**Feb** *Department Colloquium*, Wesleyan University, USA  
**Feb** *Department Colloquium*, Penn State University, USA  
**Feb** *Topology Seminar*, University of Aberdeen, UK  
**Jan** *Topology Seminar*, University of Oxford, UK

(2016)

**Aug** *Alpine Algebraic and Applied Topology Conference*, Saas Almagell, Switzerland  
**May** *Topology, Geometry and Data Analysis Conference*, Ohio State University, USA  
**Apr** *IAS + Penn + Rutgers Topology Workshop*, University of Pennsylvania, USA  
**Mar**  *$L^2$  Geometry and Topology Seminar*, Lafayette College + Lehigh University, USA  
**Mar** *New York Applied Topology Seminar*, Columbia University, USA  
**Mar** *The MacPherson Seminar*, Institute for Advanced Study, USA  
**Feb** *Department Colloquium*, San Francisco State University, USA  
**Jan** *Joint Mathematics Meetings*, Seattle, USA

(2015)

**Dec** *Canadian Mathematical Society (Winter) Meeting*, University du Québec à Montréal, Canada  
**Nov** *Geometry and Topology Seminar*, University of Florida, USA  
**Sep** *The Alan Turing Institute Scoping Workshop*, University of Oxford, UK  
**Sep** *Computational Applied Topology (CAT) School*, University of Oxford, UK  
**Aug** *Applied Topology and High-Dimensional Data Analysis Workshop*, University of Victoria, Canada  
**Apr** *Applied Algebraic Topology Research Network*, Online Seminar  
**Jan** *Department Colloquium*, Michigan State University, USA

(2014)

**Nov** *AMS Graduate Student Chapter Seminar*, Rutgers University, USA  
**Nov** *Discrete, Computational and Algebraic Topology*, University of Copenhagen, Denmark  
**Oct** *Workshop on Persistent Homology for the Biosciences*, Michigan State University, USA  
**Jul** *SIAM Annual Meeting*, Chicago, USA  
**Jul** *DIMACS REU Semniar*, Rutgers University, USA

(2013)

**Oct** *Geometry, Topology and Data Seminar*, Ohio State University, USA  
**Jul** *29-th Annual Symposium on Computational Geometry*, UniRio, Brazil.  
**Jun** *Workshop on Topology and Dynamics*, Kyoto University (RIMS), Japan  
**Apr** *Geometry and Topology Seminar*, University of Pennsylvania, USA  
**Mar** *Department Colloquium*, Cleveland State University, USA

(2012)

**Dec** *The MacPherson Seminar*, Institute for Advanced Study, USA  
**Nov** *Applied Topology Seminar*, Shinshu University, Japan  
**Jan** *Topology and Geometry Seminar*, Rutgers University, USA

## Service

**Hilary 2017 – Trinity 2017:** Member of the [Early Career Researchers Committee](#) at Oxford

**Fall 2015 – Spring 2016:** Member of the [Putnam Prize Committee](#) at Penn

**Fall 2014 – Spring 2016:** Co-organizer of the [Applied Topology Seminar](#) at Penn

## Teaching

(Penn)

**Fall 2015:** Instructor for *Single-variable calculus for engineers*

**Summer 2014:** Co-instructor for the *Pre-freshman program*

**Spring 2014:** Instructor for *Advanced linear algebra*

**Spring 2013:** Lead Teaching Assistant (TA) for *Calculus in a single variable*, on Coursera

(Rutgers)

**Summer 2011:** Instructor for *Multivariable calculus*

**Fall 2010:** TA for *Multivariable calculus*

**Spring 2010:** TA for *Multivariable calculus*

**Fall 2009:** TA for *Multivariable calculus*

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## Computing

**Projects:** The [Perseus](#) software project for computing persistent homology

**Programming:** C/C++ with STL, Java,  $\text{\LaTeX}$ , CSS/HTML, Matlab, Mathematica and Maple