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Citizenship: USA. Date of Birth: July 15, 1979.

**Research Interests:** Geometric Measure Theory, Probability Theory, Fractal Geometry, Algebraic Sets.

#### Education

- **Ph. D. Mathematics**, Rice University, May 2007 (expected). Dissertation Title (working): *Convergence of Gibbs Measures and the Behavior of Shrinking Tubular Neighborhoods of Fractals and Algebraic Sets*. Advisor Robert Hardt.
- **B.S. Mathematics**, Haverford College, May 2002.

#### **Honors and Awards**

- **NSF Vigre Fellowship**, Rice University, 2005-2006.
- **Graduate Fellowship**, Rice University, 2002-2007.
- **Graduated with Honors** from the Haverford College Mathematics Department, 2002
- Participation in Research Experience for Undergraduates, (studied Arrangements of Hyperplanes), Northern Arizona University, Summer 2001.
- **21**<sup>st</sup> **Annual Geometry Festival Travel Stipend**, University of Pennsylvania, April 2006.
- **30<sup>th</sup> Annual Summer Symposium in Real Analysis Travel Stipend**, University of North Carolina at Asheville, July 2006.

## Teaching Experience

# Instructor

- Calculus II (sole instructor), Rice University, Summer 2005.
- Calculus I (sole instructor), Rice University, Fall 2005.
- **Multivariable Calculus** (sole instructor), Rice University, Summer 2006.

# **Teaching Assistant**

- TA, Undergraduate Vigre Research Seminar, 2005-2006.
- **Homework Grader and TA**, Calculus II, Multivariable Calculus, Undergraduate Complex Analysis, Graduate Abstract Algebra, Undergraduate PDEs, 2002-2006.

## Training

• Rice University Math Department Graduate Teaching Seminar, 2002-2005.

#### **Publications**

- Convergence of Gibbs Measures and the Behavior of Shrinking Tubular Neighborhoods of Fractals and Algebraic Sets, Ph.D. Thesis: Rice University (in progress).
- Convergence of Gibbs Measures Associated with Simulated Annealing: The Case of Distance Squared, Real Analysis Exchange (submitted).

## **Selected Talks**

- Convergence of Gibbs Measures Associated with Simulated Annealing, 30<sup>th</sup> Annual Summer Symposium in Real Analysis, University of North Carolina at Asheville, Summer 2006.
- Current Research on Convergence of Gibbs Measures with Complicated Simulated Annealing Constraints, (a series of 3 talks)
  Rice University Real and Complex Analysis Research Seminar, Fall 2006.
- Ramified Transport and Qinglan Xia's Current Research, Rice University Current Mathematics Seminar, Fall 2006.
- Probability Theory and the Central Limit Theorem, Rice University Current Mathematics Seminar, Fall 2005.
- Higher Dimensional Generalizations of the Classical Cauchy-Crofton Formula, Rice University Current Mathematics Seminar, Fall 2004.
- An Introduction to Hausdorff Measure and Fractals, Rice University Current Mathematics Seminar, Fall 2003.
- *Arrangements of Hyperplanes and Zaslavsky's Theorem,* Talk for undergraduates at Northern Arizona University, Summer 2003.

## **Conferences Attended**

- **Joint Mathematics Meetings,** New Orleans, LA, January 5-8, 2007 (expected).
- **Texas Geometry and Topology Conference**, Rice University, Houston, TX, October 27-29, 2006.
- **30<sup>th</sup> Annual Summer Symposium in Real Analysis**, University of North Carolina at Asheville, Ashville, NC, June 13-17, 2006.
- **21**<sup>st</sup> **Annual Geometry Festival,** University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA, March 31-April 2, 2006
- Singularities in Analysis, Geometry and Topology: A Conference Honoring the Retirements of F. Reese Harvey and John C. Polking, Rice University, Houston, TX, November 11-13, 2005.
- **Texas Geometry and Topology Conference**, Rice University, Houston, TX, October 31-November 2, 2003.

#### Languages

- Native-born English speaker.
- Working knowledge of French.

# **Professional Memberships**

• AMS (2000-present)

# Service

- Organizer, Real and Complex Analysis Research Seminar, Spring and Fall, 2006.
- Organizer, Real Analysis Seminar, Summer and Fall, 2005.
- **Regular Lecturer**, Forms and Currents Seminar, Geometric Measure Theory Seminar, Vigre Seminar on Semi-Riemannian Geometry, 2004-2006.
- **Graduate School Recruitment Talk**, Northern Arizona University, Flagstaff, AZ., Summer 2003.

#### References

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•	Michael Wolf (mwolf@math.rice.edu)	(713) 348-6293
	Department of Mathematics, Rice University.	
•	Dennis D. Cox (dcox@stat.rice.edu)	(713) 348-6007
	Department of Statistics, Rice University.	

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