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Research interests: *Topological data analysis, applied algebraic geometry, machine learning, and applications.*

## Employment and Education

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### Robert and Sara Lumpkins Postdoctoral Research Associate

DEPARTMENT OF APPLIED AND COMPUTATIONAL MATHEMATICS AND STATISTICS

*University of Notre Dame*

*June 2020 - Present*

### Ph.D., Mathematics

ADVISER: PETER BUBENIK

*University of Florida*

*Aug. 2016 - May 2020*

### Master of Science, Mathematics and the Foundations of Computer Science

ADVISERS: EMILIE DUFRESNE AND HEATHER HARRINGTON

*University of Oxford*

*Oct. 2015 - Oct. 2016*

### Bachelor of Science, Mathematics (minor: Computer Science)

*University of Florida*

*Aug. 2011 - May 2015*

## Honors and Scholarships

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- 2018 - 20 **Informatics Institute Fellowship**, U. Florida
- 2016 - 20 **Graduate School Fellowship**, U. Florida, tuition and stipend
- 2016 **Prize for Excellence**, U. Oxford
- 2016 **Distinction**, M.Sc. in Math. and Foundations of C.S.
- 2015 - 16 **Frost Scholarship**, U. Oxford, tuition and stipend
- 2015 **Phi Beta Kappa**, Florida Chapter Beta
- 2015 **Magna cum laude**, B.S. in Mathematics
- 2015 **Pi Mu Epsilon Undergraduate Award**, U. Florida Mathematics Dept.
- 2013 **Anderson Scholar**, U. Florida College of Liberal Arts and Science

## Publications

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- 2021 ***TDAExplore: quantitative image analysis of fluorescence microscopy images through topology-based machine learning. Patterns (2021).***  
[https://www.cell.com/patterns/fulltext/S2666-3899\(21\)00229-4](https://www.cell.com/patterns/fulltext/S2666-3899(21)00229-4). With Kristen Skrubner, Nikola Milićević, James B Heidings, Tracy-Anne Read, Peter Bubenik, and Eric Vitriol.
- 2021 ***Graded Persistence Diagrams and Persistence Landscapes. Discrete Comput Geom (2021).***  
<https://doi.org/10.1007/s00454-021-00316-1>. With Leo Betthausen and Peter Bubenik.
- 2021 ***Certified evaluations of Hölder continuous functions at roots of polynomials. In Maple in Mathematics Education and Research. MC 2020. Communications in Computer and Information Science, vol 1414.***  
[https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-030-81698-8\\_13](https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-030-81698-8_13). With Jonathan Hauenstein and Clifford Smyth.
- 2019 ***Sampling Real Algebraic Varieties for Topological Data Analysis. In 2019 18th IEEE International Conference on Machine Learning and Applications (ICMLA) (pp. 1531-1536). IEEE.***  
<https://doi.org/10.1109/ICMLA.2019.00253>. With Emilie Dufresne, Heather Harrington, and Jonathan Hauenstein.
- 2020 ***A New Palette for Persistence Landscapes***, Ph.D. dissertation, University of Florida
- 2016 ***Topological Data Analysis for Real Algebraic Varieties***, M.Sc. dissertation, University of Oxford

## Mathematical Software

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- 2021 **TDAExplore**, an R library and command line tools for image analysis and exploration using topological features, <https://github.com/P-Edwards/TDAExplore-ML>
- 2021 **EvalCertification**, a Maple library to compute certified evaluations of functions at roots of polynomials, <https://github.com/P-Edwards/EvalCertification>
- 2018 **tdasampling**, a Python package to sample real algebraic varieties for topological data analysis, <https://github.com/P-Edwards/tdasampling>

## Presentations

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Oct. 2021	<b>UT Knoxville Math Data Science Seminar (Invited)</b> , Weakly supervised image segmentation with topological data analysis	<i>U. Tennessee</i>
July 2021	<b>Southeast Center for Mathematics and Biology Summer Seminar (Invited)</b> , Using Topological Data Analysis to Extract Spatial Information from Microscopy Datasets	<i>Georgia Institute of Technology/virt.</i>
Mar. 2021	<b>Notre Dame Applied Math Seminar</b> , Some Vignettes in Applied Topology	<i>U. Notre Dame</i>
Jan. 2020	<b>Workshop and Winter School on Geometric and Topological Data Analysis (Invited)</b> , Graded Persistence Diagrams and Persistence Landscapes	<i>CIMAT, Guanajuato, Mexico</i>
Oct. 2019	<b>UF Topology and Dynamics Seminar</b> , Stability for Graded Persistence Diagrams	<i>U. Florida</i>
Oct. 2019	<b>UF Applied Topology Seminar</b> , Feature Sizes for Real Semialgebraic Sets	<i>U. Florida</i>
July 2019	<b>SIAM Applied Algebraic Geometry 2019</b> , Sampling Real Algebraic Varieties for Topological Data Analysis	<i>U. Bern, Switzerland</i>
May 2019	<b>Midwest Student Conference on Geometric Data Analysis</b> , Sampling Real Algebraic Varieties for Topological Data Analysis	<i>Ohio State U.</i>
Apr. 2019	<b>UF SIAM Seminar</b> , Topological Data Analysis of Actin Networks	<i>U. Florida</i>
Mar. 2019	<b>UF Topology and Dynamics Seminar</b> , Graded Persistence Diagrams and Persistence Landscapes	<i>U. Florida</i>
June 2018	<b>Applied Topology: Methods, Computation, and Science 8</b> , Persistence Landscapes are Graded Persistence Diagrams	<i>IST Austria</i>
Mar. 2018	<b>UF Student Data Analysis Seminar</b> , The Topology of Cyclo-octane's Configuration Space	<i>U. Florida Informatics Institute</i>
Aug. 2017	<b>SIAM Applied Algebraic Geometry 2017</b> , Topological Data Analysis for Real Algebraic Varieties	<i>Atlanta, Georgia</i>
Oct. 2017	<b>UF Graduate Student Topology Seminar</b> , Algebraic Stability of Persistence Diagrams	<i>U. Florida</i>
Aug. 2017	<b>UF Student Data Analysis Seminar</b> , Finding Good Data Samples from Polynomial Systems	<i>U. Florida Informatics Institute</i>
Feb. 2017	<b>UF Graduate Student Topology Seminar</b> , Finding Matchings Between Persistence Diagrams	<i>U. Florida</i>
Feb. 2017	<b>Joint Florida State University/University of Florida Topology and Dynamics Meeting</b> , Extracting Topological Information from Systems of Polynomials	<i>U. Florida</i>
Feb. 2017	<b>Joint Math Meetings Mini-Symposium</b> , Topological Data Analysis for Real Algebraic Varieties	<i>Atlanta, Georgia</i>
Mar. 2015	<b>UF Graduate Student Topology Seminar</b> , Stability for Persistence Diagrams	<i>U. Florida</i>

## Teaching and Supervision

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Fall 2021 - Present	<b>Advisor</b> , Marie Grasse, undergraduate student	<i>U. Notre Dame</i>
Fall 2021 - Present	<b>Advisor</b> , Hoai Trinh, undergraduate student	<i>U. Notre Dame</i>
Fall 2021	<b>Lecturer</b> , Special Topics in Applied Mathematics - Applied Topology (ACMS 80770)	<i>U. Notre Dame</i>
Spring 2021	<b>Lecturer</b> , Applied Linear Algebra (ACMS 20620)	<i>U. Notre Dame</i>
Fall 2020	<b>Lecturer</b> , Applied Linear Algebra (ACMS 20620)	<i>U. Notre Dame</i>
Spring 2019	<b>Lecturer</b> , Trigonometry (MAC 1114)	<i>U. Florida</i>
Fall and Spring 2018	<b>Discussion sections</b> , Calculus I (MAC 2311)	<i>U. Florida</i>
Fall 2017	<b>Discussion sections</b> , Precalculus Algebra with Trigonometry (MAC 1147)	<i>U. Florida</i>

## Service and Experience

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2021	<b>Organizer: Special Session on Comp. and Applied Algebraic Geom., AMS Spring Central Sectional 2022</b>
2021	<b>Contributor: OPEN-Maps Redistricting and Communities of Interest Faculty Working Group</b>
2020	<b>Referee: Journal of Applied and Computational Topology</b>
2020	<b>Referee: Foundations of Data Science</b>
2018	<b>Member: U. Florida Mathematics Department Graduate Committee</b>
2018	<b>President: U. Florida Graduate Mathematics Association</b>
2017-19	<b>Organizer: UF Student Data Analysis Seminar</b>
2016	<b>Member: U. Oxford, Exeter College IT Committee</b>
2016-	<b>Member: American Mathematical Society</b>
2016-	<b>Member: Society of Industrial and Applied Mathematics</b>
2014	<b>Employment: Software Development Intern, International Business Machines Corporation</b>