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EDUCATION

Joint Ph.D. in Computer Science and Mathematics

Anticipated

University of Nebraska–Lincoln

Bachelor of Science in Engineering

May 2018

Dordt College, Sioux Center, IA

GPA: 3.9 on 4.0 scale

- Electrical Engineering (major)
- Computer Science (major)
- Mathematics (minor)

4.0 in majors

RESEARCH EXPERIENCES

Plant Genome Imputation

July 2017 – Present

Dordt College, Sioux Center, IA

N.L. Tintle, J. Poland

- Ported a plant genetics imputation algorithm from Java to R to improve usability for researchers
- Improved the algorithm to produce results in way that enables statistical analysis
- Release the improved algorithm (LaByRInth) on GitHub to promote its use in genetics research

Abstract Algebra

May 2017 – September 2017

Dordt College, Sioux Center, IA

M. Janssen

- Proved a previously conjectured relationship between abstract algebraic objects (ideals of graphs)
- Discovered an equality relation involving these objects that was stronger and more general
- Established means of calculating various metrics of interest regarding these relationships

Genetic Analysis Workshop 20 (GAW20)

November 2016 – June 2017

Dordt College, Sioux Center, IA

N.L. Tintle

- Researched and evaluated the performance of novel gene-based statistical tests of association
- Demonstrated proof of concept for a new data aggregation method using simulated data
- Served as primary programmer and technical support for two groups and lead author for one

E. Coli Gene Activity States

August 2016 – November 2016

Dordt College, Sioux Center, IA

N.L. Tintle

- Conducted exploratory research on modeling E. coli gene activity states using regulatory networks
- Created a modeling process that had potential to be more informative than the current standard
- Produced results used in an NSF-MCB grant proposal to secure funding for further research

PUBLICATIONS

M. Janssen, T. Kamp, and **J. Vander Woude**, “Comparing powers of edge ideals,” *J. Algebra Appl.*, p. 1950184, Oct. 2018. doi: 10.1142/S0219498819501846

J. Vander Woude, J. Huisman, L. Vander Berg, J. Veenstra, A. Bos, A. Kalsbeek, K. Koster, N. Ryder, and N.L. Tintle, “Evaluating the performance of gene-based tests of genetic association when testing for association between methylation and change in triglyceride levels at GAW20,” *BMC Proc.*, vol. 12, no. 9, p. 50, Sep. 2018. doi: 10.1186/s12919-018-0124-y

J. Veenstra, A. Kalsbeek, K. Koster, N. Ryder, A. Bos, J. Huisman, L. Vander Berg, **J. Vander Woude**, and N.L. Tintle, “Epigenome wide association study of SNP-CpG interactions on changes in triglyceride levels after pharmaceutical intervention: a GAW20 analysis,” *BMC Proc.*, vol. 12, no. 9, p. 58, Sep. 2018. doi: 10.1186/s12919-018-0144-7

A. Kalsbeek, J. Veenstra, J. Westra, C. Disselkoen, K. Koch, K. McKenzie, **J. Vander Woude**, J. O’Bott, K. Fischer, G.C. Shearer, W.S. Harris, and N.L. Tintle, “A genome-wide association study of red-blood cell fatty acids and ratios incorporating dietary covariates: Framingham heart study offspring cohort,” *PloS one*, vol. 13, no. 4, p. e0194882, Apr. 2018. doi: 10.1371/journal.pone.0194882

———— PRESENTATIONS ————

Uncertainty and Imputation of Plant Genotypes

Research Presentations at University of Michigan (Biostatistics Department)

July 2018

Cyclic Graphs, Their Edge Ideals, and a Comparison of Powers

Math on the Northern Plains

April 2018

Associating Phenotypic Distributions with Genotypes in Wheat

Research Presentations at Iowa State University (Statistics Department)

June 2017

Symbolic Powers of Ideals

Dordt College Summer Seminar

June 2017

Evaluating the Performance of Gene-Based Tests of Genetic Association between Methylation and Change in Triglyceride Levels

Dordt College Ideafest

April 2017

Math on the Northern Plains

April 2017

———— SOFTWARE ————

LaByRInth: Low-coverage Biallelic R Imputation

<https://github.com/Dordt-Statistics-Research/LaByRInth>

June 2017 – October 2018

———— ADDITIONAL EXPERIENCE ————

Teaching Assistant – Calculus I

University of Nebraska–Lincoln

August 2018 – Present

Tutor – Mathematics and Engineering

Dordt College, Sioux Center, IA

August 2015 – December 2016

- Led calculus drop-in sessions by demonstrating the specific techniques in question
- Assisted students studying microprocessors by engaging them in the broad ideas of each chapter
- Coached students taking college algebra through the use of leading questions

Intern – Engineering

Fey Industries, Edgerton, MN

Summers 2014 – 2016

- Designed and developed a semi-automated machine used to aid ergonomic assembly of screwdrivers
- Programmed PLCs for new automation machines and updated code on older machines
- Researched machine vision systems to improve quality of screwdriver screen printing process

———— **HONORS** ————

NSF Graduate Research Fellowship Honorable Mention
Dohrmann Fellowship, University of Nebraska–Lincoln
Distinguished Scholar Award, Dordt College

———— **MEMBERSHIPS** ————

Student Member, IEEE
Student Representative, 2016 Dordt College Engineering Advisory Board

———— **ACTIVITIES** ————

Putnam Competitions (80th percentile in 2017)
President, IEEE Dordt College Student Branch
ACM Programming Competitions