

Katherine Henneberger

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Experience

Graduate Research Assistant

University of Kentucky, Department of Mathematics

Lexington, KY

May 2022 - May 2025

- Developed novel regularized Kaczmarz algorithms for high-order tensor recovery.
- Applied ℓ_1^p norm and log-sum regularization methods to image sequence destriping and color video deblurring, resulting in improved relative error results as compared to current methods.
- Designed and implemented tensor-based algorithms using CUR decomposition and 3D total variation, improving overall accuracy in hyperspectral band selection applications.
- Tools used: MATLAB, Python

Research Intern

JCMwave GmbH, Software Company

Berlin, Germany

Summer 2024

- Reduced FEM execution time by 50% through Bayesian optimization of hyperparameters for metasurface simulations.
- Developed a forward surrogate model using neural network ensembles and Gaussian processes to efficiently predict power fluxes, achieving a median absolute error of 3.5×10^{-4} per diffraction order.
- Implemented a tandem neural network architecture to solve inverse problems in optical metasurface design, enabling efficient reconstruction of dot-projector geometry for arbitrary power flux distributions.
- Utilized advanced machine learning techniques including an ensemble of 70 fully connected neural networks to enhance simulation accuracy and efficiency.
- Tools used: Python, JCMSolve

Graduate Teaching Assistant

University of Kentucky, Department of Mathematics

Lexington, KY

August 2020 - July 2025

- Coordinate academic support for 60 students per semester in mathematics through structured teaching roles across varied calculus levels.
- Served as Primary Instructor (Elementary Calculus, Calculus I), Lead Teaching Assistant (Finite Math), Teaching Assistant (Elementary Calculus, Calculus I, Calculus II, Calculus I for Biology, Calculus II for Biology), and Grader (Calculus IV, Intro to Data Science, Intro to Numerical Methods).

Research Intern

MGGG Redistricting Lab at Tufts University

Medford, MA

Summers 2019 and 2020

- Engaged with topics in statistics, graph theory, networks, and topology as they relate to current research projects on political redistricting.
- Analyzed partisan effects of gerrymandering, using Markov Chain algorithms to create ensembles of districting plans based on census data and GIS shapefiles.
- Led a research project analyzing city demographics in districting plans using Topological Data Analysis.
- Tools used: Python, ArcGIS

Education

University of Kentucky, Department of Mathematics

PhD degree, 2025

MS degree, 2022

August 2020 - May 2025

- Dissertation: Regularized Methods for Tensor Recovery and Processing

Bowdoin College

AB degree

August 2016 - May 2020

- Majors: Mathematics, Hispanic Studies
- Minors: Government and Legal Studies

Publications

- K. Henneberger, and J. Qin, “Hyperspectral Band Selection via Tensor Low Rankness and Generalized 3DTV.” Remote Sensing, 2025.
- K. Henneberger, and J. Qin, “Power of ℓ_1 -Norm Regularized Kaczmarz Algorithms for High-Order Tensor Recovery.” Inverse Problems and Imaging, 2025.
- K. Henneberger and J. Qin, “Hyperspectral Band Selection based on Generalized 3DTV and Tensor CUR Decomposition.” 58th Asilomar Conference on Signals, Systems and Computers, pp. 255-259, 2024.
- K. Henneberger and J. Qin, “Log-Sum Regularized Kaczmarz Algorithms for High-Order Tensor Recovery.” Association of Women in Mathematics Research Symposium, 2023 (to appear).
- K. Henneberger, L. Huang, and J. Qin, “Hyperspectral Band Selection Based on Matrix CUR Decomposition.” In IGARSS 2023-2023 IEEE International Geoscience and Remote Sensing Symposium, pp. 7380-7383. IEEE, 2023.

Presentations and Workshops

Invited Talks

- **SIAM Conference on Computational Science and Engineering**, Fort Worth, TX, March 2025: “Log-Sum Regularized Kaczmarz Algorithms for High-Order Tensor Recovery”
- **Joint Mathematical Meetings**, Seattle, WA, January 2025: “Hyperspectral Band Selection Based on Generalized 3DTV and Tensor CUR Decomposition”
- **Asilomar Conference on Signals, Systems, and Computers**, Monterey, CA, October 2024: “Hyperspectral Band Selection based on Generalized 3DTV and Tensor CUR Decomposition”
- **SIAM Conference on Imaging Science**, Atlanta, GA, May 2024: “Log-Sum Regularized Kaczmarz Algorithms for High-Order Tensor Recovery”
- **American Institute of Mathematical Sciences Conference Series on Dynamical Systems and Differential Equations**, Wilmington, NC, May 2023: “Hyperspectral Band Selection with Matrix CUR Decomposition”

Workshops

- **JPMorgan Chase & Co. Quantitative Research Virtual Experience Program on Forage**, Virtual, November 2023: Workshop on quantitative research methods
- **SLMath Summer Graduate School on Mathematics of Big Data**, San Jose, CA, July 2023: Sketching and (Multi-)Linear Algebra workshop, hosted at IBM Almaden

Awards and Leadership

University of Kentucky Mathematics Department Fellowship Award

May 2024

Awarded in recognition of outstanding research by a doctoral student.

Society for Industrial and Applied Mathematics

May 2022 – May 2025

Chapter President

- Coordinate annual speaking engagements, fostering knowledge transfer from industry mathematicians to academic departments.
- Collaborate across 4 academic departments, enhancing applied mathematics research and development initiatives through partnership programs.

Association of Women in Mathematics

May 2021 – May 2024

Chapter President

- Fostered an inclusive environment, impacting over 20 female students through mentorship and community initiatives.
- Organized 7 events to celebrate diversity in mathematics, enhancing community engagement and awareness.