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## Education

**Ph.D. Mathematics**, Dartmouth College, Hanover, New Hampshire, USA expected 2019  
**M.Sc. Mathematics**, University of Vermont, Burlington, Vermont, USA 2014  
**B.A. Mathematics/Scientific Computing**, Boston College, Chestnut Hill, Massachusetts, USA 2008

## Research Experience

**2-Group Belyi Maps**, Ph.D. Thesis expected 2019

In this thesis, I develop and implement an algorithm to compute a database of Galois Belyi maps with monodromy group a 2-group. This database contains Belyi maps up to degree 256. I use this data to pose conjectures about these objects. For instance, every 2-group Belyi map up to degree 256 has refined passport size 1, and partially proven results point towards the possibility that this is true in general. In addition to forming conjectures, I use this data to search for number fields unramified away from 2.

- repository: <https://github.com/michaelmusty/solvabledessins>
- visualization: <https://dessin-explorer.org>

**Computing Canonical Rings of Hilbert Modular Forms**, Programmer 2018

I worked on a large (10 person) team to implement techniques to compute canonical rings of Hilbert modular forms. I was responsible for the data structure to store and compute with Fourier expansions of Hilbert modular forms necessary to support these computations.

- repository: <https://github.com/edgarcosta/hilbertmodularforms>

**A Database of Belyi Maps**, Co-author 2018

In this paper, we compute a database of thousands of Belyi maps up to degree 9. On top of the group effort to compute an exhaustive list of Belyi maps, my main responsibility in this project was implementing the database backend using Magma (see repository below) to save the results. I then worked in a team of 4 to migrate the data over to the LMFDB ([www.lmfdb.org](http://www.lmfdb.org)).

- Awarded Selfridge Prize at ANTS-XIII: <http://www.math.grinnell.edu/~paulhusj/ants2018/index.html>
- repository: <https://github.com/michaelmusty/BelyiDB>
- LMFDB: <http://beta.lmfdb.org/Belyi>

**Understanding the cost of dermatologic care: A survey study of dermatology providers, residents, and patients**, Co-author 2017

Using R, I ran the statistical analysis for survey results in this dermatology study and generated Likert scale visualizations to analyze the data.

**Numerical calculation of three-point branched covers of the projective line**, Co-author 2014

In this paper, we implement a general numerical method to compute Belyi maps using power series expansions of modular forms. I implemented code to visualize Belyi maps as (equivalent) dessins d'enfants conformally embedded in the hyperbolic unit disk. My code produced figures drawn using PSTricks (see Figure 1).

**Computing Iwasawa  $\lambda$ -Invariants**, M.Sc. Thesis 2014

In my M.Sc. thesis I implemented an algorithm to compute the Iwasawa  $\lambda$ -invariant of an abelian number field in Magma. Using these computations, I was able to correct some mistakes in the literature.

## Publications

### Peer-Reviewed Articles

[Mus+19] A Database of Belyi Maps  
Michael Musty, Sam Schiavone, Jeroen Sijsling, John Voight  
(to appear in conference proceedings for ANTS-XIII) *The Open Book Series* 2 (2019). Mathematical Sciences Publishers, 2019

- [Ste+17] Understanding the cost of dermatologic care: A survey study of dermatology providers, residents, and patients  
Aaron J Steen, Julianne A Mann, Valerie M Carlberg, Alexa B Kimball, Michael J Musty, Eric L Simpson  
*Journal of the American Academy of Dermatology* 76.4 (2017) pp. 609–617. Elsevier, 2017
- [Klu+14] Numerical calculation of three-point branched covers of the projective line  
Michael Klug, Michael Musty, Sam Schiavone, John Voight  
*LMS Journal of Computation and Mathematics* 17.1 (2014) pp. 379–430. London Mathematical Society, 2014

## Selected Talks

- [1] 2-Group Belyi Maps  
JMM Special Session on Number Theory, Arithmetic Geometry, and Computation, Baltimore, MD, January 2019
- [2] A Database of Belyi Maps  
Simons Collaboration Short Talks, Cambridge, MA, August 2018
- [3] 2-Group Belyi Maps  
Quebec Maine Number Theory Seminar, October 2017
- [4] Computing Iwasawa  $\lambda$ -Invariants  
Dartmouth Number Theory Seminar, Hanover, NH, February 2015

## Work Experience

<b>Graduate Research and Teaching Assistant</b> , Dartmouth College, Hanover, NH, USA	2014-Present
<b>Graduate Research and Teaching Assistant</b> , University of Vermont, Burlington, VT, USA	2012-2014
<b>Adjunct Professor</b> , Norwich University, Northfield, VT, USA	2011-2013
<b>Seasonal Landscaper</b> , JM Landscaping, Bradford, VT, USA	2000-2011
<b>Shipping Assistant</b> , Pleasant View Gardens, Loudon, NH, USA	2009-2010
<b>Permanent Substitute Teacher</b> , Merrimack Valley High School, Penacook, NH, USA	2009-2010
<b>Graduate Research and Teaching Assistant</b> , McGill University, Montreal, QC, Canada	2008-2009
<b>Misc Laborer</b> , Glen Farm, Piermont, NH, USA	1990-2000

## Community

<b>Dartmouth Mathematics Youth Summer Program</b> , Guest Lecturer, Hanover, NH, USA I gave four guest lectures on probability and knot theory and helped organize this two week summer program.	2016
<b>Johns Hopkins Program for Talented Youth</b> , Guest Lecturer, Hanover, NH, USA I gave a guest lecture on group theory.	2015
<b>Joshua M. Stimson Math Program</b> , Organizer, North Haverhill, NH, USA I organized a four week long summer program for advanced middle school students. I was the organizer for the first two years of this summer program.	2011-2012

## Teaching Experience

Below is a list of university level courses (21 classroom courses, 5 online courses) I have taught at Dartmouth College, University of Vermont (UVM), and Norwich University, from 2011 to present. This list does not include any grading, teaching assistantships, or summer programs.

- 2018 Fall
  - (Dartmouth) MATH001 Calculus with Algebra
- 2017 Summer
  - (Dartmouth) MATH022 Linear Algebra with Applications  
<https://math.dartmouth.edu/~m22x17/>
- 2016 Fall
  - (Dartmouth) MATH001 Calculus with Algebra
- 2014 Spring

- (UVM) MATH017B Applications of Finite Mathematics
- 2013 Fall
  - (UVM) MATH019K Fundamentals of Calculus I
- 2013 Spring
  - (UVM) MATH017B Applications of Finite Mathematics
  - (Norwich) MA102-G Mathematics: A Liberal Art II
  - (Norwich) MA232-L Elementary Statistics (online)
- 2012 Fall
  - (UVM) MATH019H Fundamentals of Calculus I
  - (Norwich) MA101-B Mathematics: A Liberal Art I
  - (Norwich) MA212-A Finite Mathematics
  - (Norwich) MA212-B Finite Mathematics
  - (Norwich) MA232-L Elementary Statistics (online)
- 2012 Summer
  - (Norwich) MA102-A Mathematics: A Liberal Art II (online)
  - (Norwich) MA232-L Elementary Statistics (online)
- 2012 Spring
  - (Norwich) MA107-C Precalculus Mathematics
  - (Norwich) MA232-A Elementary Statistics
  - (Norwich) MA232-E Elementary Statistics
  - (Norwich) MA232-G Elementary Statistics
- 2011 Fall
  - (Norwich) MA101-A Mathematics: A Liberal Art I
  - (Norwich) MA101-E Mathematics: A Liberal Art I
  - (Norwich) MA107-B Precalculus Mathematics
  - (Norwich) MA232-L Elementary Statistics (online)
- 2011 Spring
  - (Norwich) MA102-G Mathematics: A Liberal Art II
  - (Norwich) MA102-K Mathematics: A Liberal Art II
  - (Norwich) MA108-B Applied Calculus

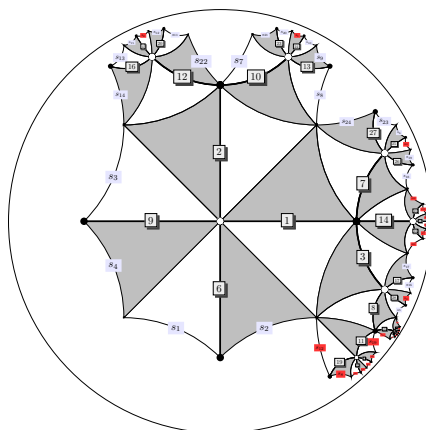


Figure 1: A genus 5 dessin d'enfant drawn using  $\text{\LaTeX}$  and PSTricks.