R. Sean Bowman

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SUMMARY

- Mathematician, software developer, and teacher seeking to apply skills in new career path
- 15+ years of development experience in C/C++, Python, and Java on Linux
- Spoken to audiences ranging from 5-year-olds to world experts on technical subjects
- Published over 10 papers including several in Machine Learning and related subjects
- Taught over 1000 undergraduates in classes ranging in size from 20 to 120 students
- Technically minded, people focused, driven by working with others to solve tough problems

EDUCATION

Ph.D., Mathematics, May 2012 University of Texas, Austin **B.A., Mathematics**, May 2000 Washington University in St. Louis

Professional Experience

Visiting Assistant Professor of Mathematics

Oklahoma State University

Aug. 2012-Present Stillwater, OK

- Develop novel methods for clustering in graphs based on ideas from 3-dimensional topology
- Use these to implement semi-supervised method for determining yeast protein function, improving on existing results; software in Python interfacing with existing C++ code
- Research in low-dimensional topology, machine learning, and topological data analysis

Graduate Student

Aug. 2005-May 2012

University of Texas, Austin

Austin, TX

- Researched topics in low-dimensional topology and topological data analysis
- Developed persistent homology for point cloud data using new "collapsing" operation; C++
- Investigated novel persistent homology algorithms more robust to outliers; Python and C++

Software Developer

May 2004-Aug. 2004

Rocket Software

Bentonville, AR

- Developed logic to determine whether instance has booted for Rocket Provisioning Expert for Linux on zSeries, a server consolidation and configuration tool for IBM mainframes
- Wrote software in C++, C, and Python on Linux for zSeries, limited experience with VM/CMS

Graduate Research Assistant

Aug. 2002-Aug. 2005

University of Arkansas

Fayetteville, AR

- Created maps using GIS software to help administration with planning and decision making
- Used Python and R to manipulate and analyze data from a wide range of sources
- Developed two Aspect Oriented Programming systems, one using Python metaobject protocol

Software Developer, Co-founder

May 2000-Aug. 2002

Open Software Services, LLC

Little Rock, AR

- Co-founded software development company, worked with clients to develop dynamic websites from concept to deployment; Python/Zope/RDBMS on Linux
- Developed searchable, scalable photo archive with a web based front end

Software Developer

May 1999-Aug. 1999

University of Arkansas Computing Services

Fayetteville, AR

• Implemented web based system in Java to simplify the software site licensing process

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TECHNICAL SKILLS

- Languages: C/C++, Python, Java. Language junkie, some experience with R, ML/OCaml, Scala, Haskell, Rust, Go, Coq, Javascript, Mathematica, Clojure, Erlang, Prolog, PHP, SQL
- SCM tools: Make, CVS, Subversion, Mercurial, Git
- Familiarity with Agile methodologies such as XP and Scrum, methodical unit tester

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Visiting Assistant Professor

Aug. 2012-present

Oklahoma State University

Stillwater, OK

- Led students at the undergraduate level, explaining difficult concepts in a simple manner
- Supervised undergraduate class assistants in the Supplemental Instruction program

Teaching Assistant/Assistant Instructor

Aug. 2005–May 2012

University of Texas, Austin

Austin, TX

• Guided students toward success in class, teaching course material as well as study skills

Teaching Assistant

Aug. 2004-May 2005

University of Arkansas

Fayetteville, AR

• Oversaw remedial education for low performing students, college algebra and discrete math

Selected Invited Talks

- Knots in handlebodies, given at Caltech, 2012, University of Texas, 2013, Nihon University (Tokyo), 2014
- Thin position, graph clustering, and applications, given at the University of Iowa, Miami University, Colby College, 2014

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

- R. Sean Bowman, Doug Heisterkamp, Jesse Johnson, and Danielle O'Donnol. An application of topological graph clustering to protein function prediction, 2014.
- R. Sean Bowman, Doug Heisterkamp, and Jesse Johnson. Thin tree position, 2014.
- R. Sean Bowman and Stephen B. McCaul. Fast Searching for Andrews-Curtis Trivializations. Experimental Mathematics, 15(2), 2006.
- Kyle Cranmer and R. Sean Bowman. **PhysicsGP: A Genetic Programming Approach to Event Selection**. Computer Physics Communications, 2005.
- R. Sean Bowman and Henry Hexmoor. **Agent Collaboration and Social Networks**. *Proceedings of Knowledge Intensive Multiagent Systems (KIMAS)*, 2005.

Leadership and Management

UT Graduate Student Assembly

Aug. 2008–May 2010

• Represented math department in student government group acting as liaison between graduate students, university administrators, the larger university community

Co-organizer, 2015 Redbud topology conference

Apr. 2014—Present

• Organizer for topology conference with participants from around the world, co-administrator of \$25,108 NSF grant

Reviewer, Mathematical Reviews

May 2014—Present

Member, American Mathematical Society

Aug. 2005—Present