Robert Sargent

Curriculum Vitae

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EDUCATION

University of Maryland, College Park, MD **Bachelor of Science, Mathematics**

Minor: Chinese **Relevant Coursework**

Grad courses: Abstract Algebra I and II, Real Analysis I, Lie Groups I, Mathematical Logic I

SKILLS

- Python (NumPy), JavaScript, Godot Engine
- LaTeX typesetting, Image editing (Paint.net, Inkscape), Video editing (Sony Vegas)

PREPRINTS

A Gasket Construction of the Koch Snowflake and Variations

- arXiv:2502.00815 | 15 pages | Submitted, pending approval
 - Described a new construction of the Koch snowflake that gives rise to a continuous family of fractals with rectangular symmetry

Minimum-Distortion Continuous Cartograms by Numerically Optimized Meshes November 2024 arXiv:2411.17129 | 27 pages | Submitted, pending approval

- Developed a new optimization method for creating cartograms (maps with smooth distortion to highlight population and other data)
- Used JSON data and Python to create and render cartograms

TALKS

The Banach–Tarski Paradox	Directed Reading Program, University of Maryland	May 2023
- Summarized the proof	of the Banach–Tarski paradox	

Intro to Geometric Algebra Directed Reading Program, University of Maryland December 2022 Described the use of geometric algebra to represent *n*-dimensional rotations

OTHER RESEARCH

4D Geometry Project

July 2022 - August 2023

- Used Godot Engine to test implementation of four-dimensional geometry in code
- Learned geometric algebra for representing and manipulating 4D rotations

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Undergraduate Tutor Math Dept, University of Maryland

- Tutor 2-4 students per day on 100- and 200-level math courses
- Explain difficult fundamental concepts, enabling them to find the answers themselves
- Build some students' understanding over multiple sessions -
- Grader Math Dept, University of Maryland
 - February 2021 June 2021 Graded assignments for MATH406: Introduction to Number Theory, a class of 30+ students
 - Evaluated students' proofs and explained where exactly their logic failed or succeeded
 - Employed my knowledge of the course material and proof techniques to pinpoint issues in students' logical arguments

September 2021 – Present

February 2025

May 2023