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EMPLOYMENT

The University of Texas at Austin, Austin, Texas

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Postdoctoral Fellow, Institute for Computational Engineering and Sciences
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EDUCATION

Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

Ph.D. Mathematical Sciences, May 2009
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New Mexico Institute of Mining and Technology, Socorro, New Mexico

B.S. Computer Science, B.S. Mathematics, May 2004

JOURNAL PUBLICATIONS

A. Gillette, A. Rand, and C. Bajaj. “Error Estimates for Generalized Barycentric Interpolation,” to appear in *Advances in Computational Mathematics*, arXiv:1010.5005 [math.NA].

A. Rand and N. Walkington. “Delaunay Refinement Algorithms for Estimating Local Feature Size,” *International Journal of Computational Geometry and Applications*, 21(5):507-543, 2011.

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M. Emelianenko, L. Ju, and A. Rand. “Nondegeneracy and Weak Global Convergence of the Lloyd Algorithm in R^d ,” *SIAM Journal on Numerical Analysis*. 46(3): 1423–1441, 2008.

B. Deng, S. Jessie, G. Ledder, A. Rand, and S. Srodulski. “Biological Control Does Not Imply Paradox,” *Mathematical Biosciences*, 208(1): 26–32, 2008.

CONTRIBUTED BOOK CHAPTER

“Practical 3D Delaunay Mesh Generation” with K. Gartner, H. Si, and N. Walkington, to appear in *Combinatorial Scientific Computing*, Chapman & Hall/CRC, 2012.

CONFERENCE PUBLICATIONS

A. Rand. “Where and How Chew’s Second Algorithm Works,” *Proceedings of the 23rd Canadian Conference on Computational Geometry*, pages 157–162, 2011.

A. Rand. “On the Termination of Ruppert’s Algorithm,” *Research Notes of the 19th International Meshing Roundtable*, 2010.

C. Bajaj, R. Bettadapura, N. Lei, A. Mollere, and C. Peng, and A. Rand. “Constructing A-Spline Weight Functions for Stable WEB-Spline Finite Element Methods,” *Proceedings of the 14th ACM Symposium on Solid and Physical Modeling*, pages 153–158, 2010.

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A. Rand. “Reordering Ruppert’s Algorithm,” *Proceedings of the 18th Fall Workshop on Computational Geometry*, pages 43–44, 2008.

WORKING PAPERS A. Rand. "Triangulating Convex Polygons Without Large Angles or Subdividing Boundary Edges," submitted to ACM Symposium on Computational Geometry.

A. Rand, A. Gillette, and C. Bajaj. "Interpolation Error Estimates for Mean Value Coordinates," arXiv:1111.5588 [math.NA].

A. Rand, A. Gillette, and C. Bajaj. "Quadratic Serendipity Finite Elements on Polygons Using Generalized Barycentric Coordinates," arXiv:1109.3259 [math.NA].

A. Rand. "Average Interpolation Under the Maximum Angle Condition," arXiv:1112.4100 [math.NA].

RESEARCH SOFTWARE DIR3 (Delaunay Incremental Refinement in 3D) <http://www.math.cmu.edu/~arand/DIR3>

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Instructor

CMU	21-260	Differential Equations	Summer 2008
CMU	21-120	Differential and Integral Calculus	Summer 2005

Teaching Assistant

CMU	21-256	Multivariate Analysis and Approximation	Spring 2008
CMU	21-126	Intro to Math Software	Fall 2006
CMU	21-122	Integration, Differential Equations and Approximation	Summer 2006
CMU	21-260	Differential Equations	Spring 2006
CMU	21-259	Calculus in Three Dimensions	Fall 2005
CMU	21-120	Differential and Integral Calculus	Fall 2004