Mark Huber — Curriculum Vitae

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Data Scientist specializing in computational probability, with a focus on Monte Carlo simulation for statistical applications, approximation algorithms, and numerical integration in high dimensions.

Education

Harvey Mudd College
Bachelors of Science in Mathematics — *1994*

Cornell University
Masters in Operations Research and Industrial Engineering — *1997*

Cornell University
PhD in Operations Research and Industrial Engineering — *1999*

Experience

Chemistry Animation Project — **California Inst. of Technology**
Computer Animator — *1991, 1992*

ONR Graduate Fellowship — **Naval Undersea Warfare Center**
Visiting Researcher — *1995*

Data Mining Group — **IBM Almaden**
Visiting Researcher — *1996*

School of Operations Research and Industrial Engineering — **Cornell University**
Teaching Assistant — *1999*

Department of Statistics — **Stanford University**
NSF Postdoc in the Mathematical Sciences — *1999-2001*

Joint appointment in Mathematics and Statistical Science — **Duke University**
Assistant Professor — *2001-2009*

Department of Mathematical Sciences — **Claremont McKenna College**
Associate Professor — *2009-2012*

Department of Mathematical Sciences — **Claremont McKenna College**
Fletcher Jones Foundation Associate Professor of Mathematics and Statistics and George R. Roberts Fellow — *2012-2018*

Department of Mathematical Sciences — **Claremont McKenna College**
Chair — *2016-2019*

Computer Science Sequence — **Claremont McKenna College**
Director — *2016-present*

Data Science Sequence — **Claremont McKenna College**
Director — *2018-present*

Department of Mathematical Sciences — **Claremont McKenna College**
Fletcher Jones Foundation Professor of Mathematics and Statistics and George R. Roberts Fellow — *2018-present*

Summer Undergraduate Research — **Claremont McKenna College**
Director — *2019-2020*

Data Science Major — **Claremont McKenna College**
Program Director — *2020-present*

Publications

Book length works

[1] Mark Huber. *Probability: Lectures and Labs 3rd edition*. Data Science Adventures. Independent, 2023.

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[5] Mark L. Huber. *Perfect Simulation*. Number 148 in Chapman & Hall/CRC Monographs on Statistics & Applied Probability. CRC Press, 2015.

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Published and accepted articles

[7] Mark Huber. Generating from the Strauss process using stitching. In *International Conference on Monte Carlo and Quasi-Monte Carlo Methods in Scientific Computing*, pages 241–251. Springer, 2022.

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[9] M. Huber. A probabilistic approach to the Fibonacci sequence. *The Mathematical Intelligencier*, 42:29–33, September 2020.

[10] M. Huber. Halving the bounds for the Markov, Chebyshev, and Chernoff inequalities through smoothing. *American Mathematical Monthly*, 126:915–927, 2019. arXiv:1803.06361.

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[15] J. Banks, S. Garrabrant, M. Huber, and A. Perizzolo. Using TPA for approximating the number of linear extensions. *J. Discrete Algorithms*, 51:1–11, 2018. arXiv:1010.4981.

[16] M. Huber. Adaptive Monte Carlo integration. In N. Balakrishnan, T. Colton, B. Everitt, W. Piegorsch, F. Ruggeri, and J. L. Teugels, editors, *Wiley StatsRef-Statistics Reference Online*. Wiley, 2018. doi:10.1002/9781118445112.stat08070.

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[19] K. Cloud and M. Huber. Fast perfect simulation of Vervaat perpetuities. *J. Complexity*, 42:19–30, 2017. arXiv:1510.01780.

[20] M. Huber. A Bernoulli mean estimate with known relative error distribution. *Random Structures Algorithms*, 50:173–182, 2017. arXiv:1309.5413.

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[22] M. Huber and N. Marić. Simulation of multivariate distributions with fixed marginals and correlations. *J. Appl. Probab.*, 52(2):602–608, 2015. arXiv:1311.2002.

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[24] M. L. Huber and S. Schott. Random construction of interpolating sets for high dimensional integration. *Journal of Applied Probability*, 51(1):92–105, 2014. arXiv:1112.3692.

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[59] M. Huber. Designing perfect simulation algorithms using local correctness. arXiv:1907.06748, 2019.

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External funding and awards

Postdoctoral Fellow in the Mathematical Sciences
National Science Foundation *1999–2001*
Perfect simulation techniques

CAREER award
National Science Foundation *2005–2011*
Perfect sampling techniques for high-dimensional integration

DMS grant
National Science Foundation *2014-2018*
Improved Monte Carlo methods for high dimensional sums and integrals

Book Reviews

Ten great ideas about chance **P. Diaconis and B. Skyrms**
M. Huber, AMS Notices 66:6, 2019

An Introduction to Optimization (3rd ed.) **E. K. P. Chong and S. H. Zak**
M. Huber, JASA, 104:421, 2009

Introduction to Stochastic Calculus Applied to Finance (2nd ed.) **D. Lamberton and B. Lapeyre**
M. Huber, JASA, 104:1726, 2009

Monte Carlo and Quasi-Monte Carlo Sampling **C. Lemieux**
M. Huber, JASA, 105:876, 2010

Probability Theory: An Analytic View (2nd ed.) **D. W. Stroock**
M. Huber, JASA, 107:853, 2012

Selected Videos

Probability Adventures #18: Covariance `https://youtu.be/DN_ZYZ9-FSQ`
M. Huber *Dec 2021*

Probability Adventures #11: Poisson point Process `https://youtu.be/g5sTSlbdET4`
M. Huber *Dec 2021*

Probability Adventures #1 `https://youtu.be/wgNktyFp4ZA`
M. Huber *Dec 2021*

How to write on a pdf file with Google Docs `https://youtu.be/r6-aL3q0Gd8`
M. Huber *Sep 2021*

Probability and Logic `https://youtu.be/TZ-Kd-O864M`
M. Huber *Aug 2020*

The Alternating Series Test `https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=svPB4L__EC8&t=85s`
M. Huber *Dec 2016*

Properties of expected value `https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XuAzQZ66TpM&t=21s`
M. Huber *Oct 2016*

Convergence of random variables https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XuAzQZ66TpM&t=21s
M. Huber *Oct 2016*

Swapping limits and expectation https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jpxBJITM9i4&t=2s
M. Huber *Oct 2016*

Rigorous limits https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vmSyC33jRbE
M. Huber *Oct 2016*

Sets, logic, and proofs https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0ya83f_kfRU&t=21s
M. Huber *Oct 2016*

Antidifferentiation of Linear Over Quadratic https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7FSsUZJ4xVY
M. Huber *Apr 2014*

Factorials https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BuaUQrRHOTc
M. Huber *Apr 2014*

Exponential Growth and Separation of Variables https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KB2iHuoqpB8
M. Huber *Feb 2014*

For all and there exists https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qni0TKd0DgU
M. Huber *Feb 2014*

Supremum and Infimum https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Bl2G6ZGsBvk&t=1s
M. Huber *Feb 2014*

Six Derivatives to Memorize https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lRyrewyC2xs
M. Huber *Mar 2013*

Antidifferentiation of a function of a line https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qm-tXwmQpKQ
M. Huber *Mar 2013*

Probability for continuous random variables https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rBRkEuU4SNI
M. Huber *Feb 2013*

Indicator Functions https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=V3pnr5gmJC8&t=35s
M. Huber *Feb 2013*

Antidifferentiation with the Chain Rule https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9-ftis8vrXg
M. Huber *Dec 2012*

Integration by Parts https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NkAkVWtbRZw
M. Huber *Nov 2012*

Selected invited and contributed talks

15th International Conference on Monte Carlo and Quasi-Monte Carlo Methods **Linz, Austria**
Improved Bernoulli Mean Estimation for Monte Carlo data *Jul 2022*

Joint Mathematics Meetings **Virtual Meeting**
Lessons Gleaned from Transitioning to Online Teaching *January 2021*

Statistics Seminar **Newcastle University**
Generating Samples from Point Processes *February 2021*

ISBA World Meeting **Virtual**
Acceptance Rejection Stitching for Point Processes *June 2021*

Joint Mathematics Meetings **Denver, Colorado**
Stationary mixing time of simple symmetric random walk is $3n^2$ *Jan 2020*

Operations Research and Information Engineering Colloquium **Cornell Univeristy**
Adaptive Estimation for Monte Carlo data *Dec 2020*

Southern California Probability Symposium **IPAM-UCLA, Los Angeles, California**
Bernoulli factories and local correctness *December 2019*

California Mathematics Project — **Cal Poly - Pomona, California**
Data Visualization Tools — *December 2019*

Statistics Colloquium — **Stanford University, California**
Robust Estimation for Monte Carlo data — *October 2019*

University of California - Riverside, Statistics Colloquium — **Riverside, California**
Robust Estimation for Monte Carlo data — *October 2019*

Algebra, Number Theory, and Combinatorics Seminar — **Claremont, California**
Bounds on matrix multiplication: history and questions — *March 2019*

13th International Conference on Monte Carlo and Quasi Monte Carlo Methods — **Rennes, France**
Improved light tailed sample averages for robust estimation of the mean — *July 2018*

LMS Invited Lecture Series on Computational Statistics — **University of Warwick, UK**
Perfect Simulation Short course — *July 2018*

The 2017 IISA International Conference on Statistics — **Hyderabad, India**
Estimates for Monte Carlo data with user-specified error bounds — *Dec 2017*

LMS-EPSRC Symp. on Markov Processes, Mixing Times, and Cutoff — **University of Durham, UK**
Cutoff phenomena in perfect simulation — *Aug 2017*

International Statistical Institute World Congress — **Marrakech, Morocco**
Linear time perfect simulation for Markov random fields — *Jul 2017*

Monte Carlo Methods and Applications (MCM 2017) — **Montréal, Canada**
Faster estimates with user-specified error for $[0, 1]$ random variables — *Jul 2017*

Southern California Applied Mathematics Symposium — **UC Irvine, California**
Faster Monte Carlo with fewer samples (Plenary Speaker) — *Jun 2017*

Statistics Seminar Duke University — **Durham, North Carolina**
Fast user-specified relative error estimates — *Mar 2017*

Atul Vyas Memorial Lecture — **Claremont, California**
How to roll a five sided die — *Nov 2016*

Monte Carlo and Quasi-Monte Carlo Methods in Scientific Computing — **Stanford University, Calif.**
Monte Carlo with user-specified error — *Aug 2016*

Retrospective Monte Carlo Workshop — **University of Warwick, UK**
A Bernoulli Factory using the Fundamental Theorem of Perfect Simulation — *Jul 2016*

Statistics Seminar — **Technische Universität Dortmund, Germany**
The Fundamental Theorem of Perfect Simulation — *Jun 2016*

CPET Landscape of Educational Technology for Liberal Arts Education — **Claremont, USA**
Using video for classes — *Feb 2016*

Claremont Colleges Library Discourse Series — **Claremont, USA**
Humanistic Mathematics: A Philsophy, a Journal, and a Community — *Nov 2015*

George Mason University Statistics Colloquium — **Fairfax, USA**
Bounded variance Monte Carlo estimates — *Oct 2015*

AMS Fall Western Sectional Meeting — **Fullerton, USA**
Fast approximation algorithms for partition functions of Gibbs distributions — *Oct 2015*

Stochastic Processes and their Applications — **Oxford, UK**
Better rigorous tail bounds for general Monte Carlo estimation — *Jul 2015*

CRISM Seminar — **University of Warwick, UK**
Optimal linear Bernoulli factories for small mean problems — *Jul 2015*

Statistics Seminar — **University of Minnesota, Minnesota**
Bounding relative error of Monte Carlo estimates — *Mar 2015*

Mathematics Seminar — **University of Wisconsin, Wisconsin**
Understanding relative error in Monte Carlo simulations — *Mar 2015*

UFL Statistics Colloquium — **Gainesville, Florida**
Obtaining relative error of estimates without the Central Limit Theorem — *Oct 2014*

USC Mathematics Colloquium — **Los Angeles, California**
Building a better Bernoulli Factory — *Sep 2014*

Strategic Educational Technology Summit — **Claremont, USA**
Using Instructional Videos in and out of the classroom — *Apr 2014*

Fifth IMS-ISBA joint meeting: MCMSki IV — **Chamonix, France**
Perfect simulation for image analysis — *Jan 2014*

Gateways to Exploring Mathematical Sciences (GEMS) — **Claremont, USA**
The Monty Hall Problem — *Nov 2013*

AMS Western Sectional Meeting — **Riverside, USA**
Fast approximation algorithms for partition functions of Gibbs distributions — *Nov 2013*

Statistics Seminar — **University of Kentucky, USA**
An unbiased estimator heads with relative error independent of p — *Oct 2013*

JSM 2013 Annual Meeting — **Montreal, Canada**
Controlling error for combinatorial structures — *Aug 2013*

ISBA 2012 World Meeting — **Kyoto, Japan**
Fast approximation algorithms for partition functions of Gibbs distributions — *June 2012*

Department of Statistics Seminar — **The Ohio State UniversityUSA**
Fast approximation algorithms for Gibbs partition functions — *May 2012*

Statistics Speakers Series — **UCLA Department of Statistics**
Perfect Simulation of Repulsive Point Processes — *Nov 2011*

Mathematical and Computer Science Colloquium — **University of Missouri-St. Louis**
Partially Recursive Acceptance Rejection — *Oct 2011*

Greek stochastics γ — **Crete, Greece**
The Paired Product Estimator for normalizing constants of Gibbs distributions — *June 2011*

Natural Science Colloquium — **Pepperdine University**
Adative Monte Carlo Methods for Numerical Integration — *Mar 2011*

Fall Western Sectional AMS meeting — **UCLA**
Near linear time perfect simulation of corrugated surfaces — *Oct 2010*

Monte Carlo and Quasi-Monte Carlo Methods — **Warsaw, Poland**
Using TPA for Monte Carlo Integration — *Aug 2010*

9th Valencia International Meeting on Bayesian Statistics, (invited talk) — **Alicante, Spain**
Using TPA for Bayesian Inference — *Jun 2010*

Applied Mathematics and Statistics Department Seminar — **UC Santa Cruz**
Approximation of Normalizing Constants Using Random Cooling Schedules — *Apr 2010*

Statistics Department Seminar — **UC Riverside, CA, USA**
Approximation of Normalizing Constants Using Random Cooling Schedules — *Feb 2010*

Joint Mathematics Meetings — **San Francisco, CA, USA**
Spatial Birth-Death-Swap Chains — *Jan 2010*

Claremont Colleges Mathematics Colloquium — **Claremont, CA, USA**
Better numerical integration through randomness — *Nov 2009*

AMS Fall Western Meeting (invited talk) — **UC Riverside, CA, USA**
Simulation reductions for the Ising model — *Nov 2009*

Joint Statistical Meetings (invited talk) — **Washington D.C.**
Speeding up the product estimator using random temperatures — *Aug 2009*

Department of Statistics Colloquium — **University of Aalborg, Denmark**
Perfect simulation of repulsive point processes — *May 2009*

EPSRC Symposium Workshop on Markov Chain-Monte Carlo — **Warwick, UK**
Perfect simulation of Matérn type III processes — *Mar 2009*

Computational Algebraic Statistics, Theories and Applications — **Kyoto, Japan**
Sampling linear extensions for inference — *Dec 2008*

Department of Applied Mathematics and Statistics Seminar — **The Johns Hopkins University**
Perfect simulation of Matérn type III point processes — *Oct 2008*

Department of Mathematics Probability Seminar — **Duke University, North Carolina**
Conditions for Parallel and Simulated Tempering to be fast or slow — *Oct 2008*

Stochastics Seminar, School of Mathematics — **Georgia Institute of Technology, USA**
Perfect simulation of Matérn type III point processes — *Oct 2008*

School of Operations Research and Industrial Engineering Colloquium — **Cornell University**
Dealing with Matérn type III point processes — *Sep 2008*

Advances in Analysis of Monte Carlo Methods workshop — **Harvard University, Massachusetts**
An Overview of Perfect Sampling Methods — *Dec 2007*

School of Statistics Seminar — **University of Minnesota**
Perfect simulation of repulsive point processes — *Oct 2007*

New Developments in MCMC (invited talk) — **Warwick, UK**
Perfect simulation with the Randomness Recycler for arbitrary state spaces — *Aug 2006*

Department of Mathematics — **UC Davis**
Advanced Acceptance/Rejection Methods for Monte Carlo Algorithms — *Mar 2006*

Joint Statistical Meetings (contributed talk) — **Toronto, Canada**
Time Dependent Update Functions for Perfect Sampling — *Aug 2004*

IMS meeting (invited talk) — **Singapore**
Time dependent update functions for perfect sampling — *Mar 2004*

Mathematics Colloquium — **University of Ulm, Germany**
Perfect Sampling: techniques and challenges — *Dec 2003*

Mathematisches Forschungsinstitut Oberwolfach (plenary lecture) — **Oberwolfach, Germany**
Perfect sampling — *Dec 2003*

Opening conference Stochastic Computation program SAMSI (contributed talk) — **Durham, NC**
Perfect sampling for some mixtures of distributions — *Sep 2003*

Electrical and Computer Engineering Seminar — **NC State**
Bounding chain techniques for perfect sampling — *Feb 2003*

Undergraduate workshop in the Stochastic Computation Program, SAMSI — **Durham, NC**
Stochastic Computation Techniques — *Feb 2003*

First Cape Cod workshop on Monte Carlo methods (invited talk) — **Cape Cod, MA**
Introduction to the Randomness Recycler — *Sep 2002*

Statistics Colloquium — **University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill**
Using the Randomness Recycler — *Feb 2002*

53rd Annual Meeting of the International Statistical Institute (invited talk) — **Seoul, South Korea**
The Randomness Recycler approach to perfect simulation — *Aug 2001*

Seminar — **IBM Research-Almaden**
A new approach to perfect sampling from nasty distributions — *Sep 2000*