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1984, Ph.D., Mathematics, University of Tennessee 1982, B.A., Mathematics, University of Zagreb, Croatia
nployment: Distinguished Professor, Univ. of Utah, 2008-present Dean's Distinguished Visiting Professor, University of Toronto, H Organizer, Geometric Group Theory semester, MSRI Fall 2016 Professor, Univ. of Utah, 1993-2008 Organizer, Geometric Group Theory semester, MSRI Fall 2007 Associate Professor, UCLA, 1989-1993 Research Fellow, IHES, Winter and Spring 1991

Dean's Distinguished Visiting Professor, University of Toronto, Fall 2018
Organizer, Geometric Group Theory semester, MSRI Fall 2016
Professor, Univ. of Utah, 1993-2008
Organizer, Geometric Group Theory semester, MSRI Fall 2007
Associate Professor, UCLA, 1989-1993
Research Fellow, IHES, Winter and Spring 1991
Assistant Professor, UCLA, 1985-1989
Research Fellow, Inst. for Advanced Study, Princeton, 1987-88 and Fall 1990
Visiting Instructor, UC Berkeley, Spring 1985
Research Fellow, MSRI, Berkeley, Fall 1984
Hilton-Smith Fellow, University of Tennessee, 1983-84
Teaching Assistant, University of Tennessee, 1982-83

Awards and Honors:

Alfred P. Sloan Fellowship, 1988.
Presidential Young Investigator Award, 1988.
Undergraduate Teaching Award, 2006.
Croatian Academy of Arts and Sciences, Corresponding Member, 2012Fellow of the American Mathematical Society, 2013Mentoring award, University of Utah, 2013
Visiting Distinguished Professor, KAIST, (2015-)
Leverhulme Visiting Fellowship at Oxford 2017-18 (declined)
Simons Fellowship to support sabbatical leave 2017-18
Dean's Distinguished Visiting Professor, University of Toronto, Fall 2018

Membership: American Mathematical Society, 1982-present.

Research Interests:

Geometric Topology, Theory of manifolds, Hyperbolic structures on 2- and 3- manifolds, and Geometric Group Theory

Thesis Advisor: John J. Walsh

Named Lectures:

International Congress of Mathematicians, 2022 (Plenary talk) Zassenhaus Lectures, The Ohio State University, April 2022

KAIST Distinguished Lecture, Daejeon, Korea, July 2016 Potter Lecture, University of Aberdeen, December 2014 Current Events invited lecture, Joint Meetings San Diego, January 2013 Hahn Lecture Series, Yale University (3 lectures), May 2012 Myhill Lecture Series, SUNY Buffalo (3 talks), April 2012 AMS Invited Talk, Cornell, September 2011 Special Lecture Series (Mallat Family Fund), Technion, Haifa, Israel, June 2010 Eleventh Andrzej Jankowski Memorial Lecture, Warsaw, July 2009 Namboodiri Lectures, University of Chicago (3 lectures), March-April 2009 International Congress of Mathematicians, Beijing, August 2002 (45 minute invited talk) Invited Address, AMS Meeting # 906, Greensboro, NC, November 1995 Selected Invited Talks: Minicourse on projection complexes, MSRI summer school, Oxford, July 2022 Topology Seminar, Oxford, UK, June 2021 Minicourse on rotating families, YGGT, Newcastle, UK, July 2020 KAIST Topology Conference, Daejeon, Korea, July 2019 Minicourse on projection complexes, KAIST, Daejeon, Korea, July 2019 Redbud Topology Conference, University of Oklahoma, April 2019 KAIST Topology Conference, Daejeon, Korea, July 2018 Arches Topology Conference, Moab, UT, May 2018, Warwick symposium on $Out(F_n)$, Warwick, UK, April 2018, Spring topology and dynamics conference, Auburn, March 2018, Topology Seminar, Orsay, France, March 2018 Structure of 3-manifold groups, CIRM, Luminy, February 2018 plenary talk and workshop for graduate students Berkeley topology seminar, November 2017 Vanderbilt topology seminar, October 2017 Moduli spaces, Ventotene, Italy, September 2017 GAGTA Group theory, Bilbao, Spain, July 2017 Groups, manifolds and K-theory, Muenster, Germany, June 2017 International Georgia Topology Conference, Athens GA, May 2017 Colloquium, Stanford University, October 2016 Large scale dimension, Regensburg, Germany, 3 lectures, July 2016 Algebraic, Topological and Geometric approaches to $Aut(F_n)$, Technion, Haifa, 3 lectures, July 2016 MSRI Introductory Workshop, Program in Geometric Group Theory, August 2016 KAIST Topology Fair, 2 lectures, Daejeon, Korea, July 2016 CUNY Group Theory Seminar, May 2016 Geometry of Groups, Montevideo, Uruguay, April 2016 Workshop on Tarski Problems, Cambridge, March 2016 Groups and Dynamics, Texas A&M, November 2015 Cornell Topology Festival, May 2015 Rigidity Workshop, Hausdorff Institute, Bonn, April 2015 Colloquium, UIUC, April 2015 Geometric Groups on the Gulf, two lectures, March 2015 Colloquium, University of Toronto, March 2015 Colloquium, Arizona State University, March 2015 Colloquium, Hebrew University, Jerusalem, December 2014 Ahlfors-Bers Colloquium, Yale University, October 2014 Yamabe Symposium, University of Minnesota, October 2014 Geometry on Groups and Spaces, ICM Satellite Conference, KAIST, Korea, August 2014 Hyperbolic Geometry and Geometric Group Theory, Tokyo, July 2014 What's next – Mathematical Legacy of Bill Thurston, Cornell, June 2014 Asymptotic Geometry of Groups, KU Leuven, Belgium, June 2014

Colloquium, Rice University, April 2014

Asymptotic Geometry of Groups, Institute Henri Poincaré, Paris, March 2014

Geometry and Groups after Thurston, Dublin, August 2013

Summer School in Geometric Group Theory, 3 lectures, Jeonju, South Korea, August 2013

Workshop on $Out(F_n)$, Marseille, July 2013

Chicago Cubes, University of Illinois, Chicago, June 2013

Colloquium, Harvard, May 2013

Colloquium, Brown, May 2013

MSRI Hot Topics Workshop, March 2013

Conference on $Out(F_n)$, Barcelona, November 2012

BUGCAT keynote speaker, conference run by graduate students in topology and algebra, Binghamton, November 2012

AIM workshop on Thurston's distance on Teichmüller space, Palo Alto, October 2012

Walkshop, conference in the French Alps, 3 lectures, August 2012

Conference in group theory, Düsseldorf, July-August 2012

Summer school in topology and geometric group theory, minicourse (4 lectures) and a research talk, June 2012

Conference in geometric group theory, Kyoto, June 2012

PIMS, 2 talks, Vancouver, June 2012

Midwest Topology Conference, Bloomington, Indiana (2 talks), April 2012

Workshop on Dynamics and Laminations, Luminy, April 2012

Texas Geometry Conference, Austin (2 talks), October 2011

Conference on Teichmüller theory, Dublin, September 2011

Colloquium, Brigham Young University, September 2011

Geometric Group Theory Conference, Technion, Haifa, Israel, June 2011

Mapping Class Groups and $Out(F_n)$, Ohio State, May 2011

Colloquium, University of Nevada, Reno, April 2011

AIM Workshop on Outer space, Palo Alto, October 2010

ICM Satellite Conference on Non-positive curvature, Bangalore, India, August 2010

Geometric Group Theory workshop (3 lecture course on Outer space), Goa, India, August 2010

Vogtmannfest, conference in honor of Karen Vogtmann, Luminy, France, June 2010

Colloquium, Hebrew University, Jerusalem, Israel, June 2010

Third Texas Southmost Geometry and Topology Conference, South Padre Island, TX April 2010 Colloquium, University of Michigan, April 2010

Geometric group theory, Oberwolfach, April 2010

Minicourse on Outer space, University of Michigan, April 2009

Conference in honor of Steve Ferry, Chicago, March 2009

Spring Topology Conference, Gainesville, FL March 2009

4th Croatian Congress of Mathematicians, Osijek, June 2008

JAMI Conference 2008, Johns Hopkins University, May 2008

MSRI-Evans seminar, Berkeley, November 2007

Thurston's 60th Birthday Conference, Princeton, June 2007

Geometry and Dynamics in surfaces and 3-manifolds, Brown University, May 2007

Asymptotic Properties of Groups, Texas A&M, November 2005

Geometric Topology, in honor of Henryk Torunczyk's 60th birthday, Poland, July 2005

Geometric group theory, Barcelona, June 2005

Asymptotic properties of groups, Geneva, June 2005

Boundaries of groups workshop, AIM, Palo Alto, June 2005

Knots and 3-manifolds, in honor of Cameron Gordon's 60th birthday, Austin, May 2005

Southern California Topology Seminar, Caltech, April 2005

Geometry of groups and K-theory, Honolulu, January 2005

AMS Special Session in geometric group theory, Nashville, October 2004

Homological methods in group thery, Durham, England, July 2003

Geometric Topology, A Satellite Conference to ICM, Xian, China, August 2002
Internetional Georgia Topology Conference, Athens, GA, May 2001
Topological methods in group theory, Oberwolfach, January 2001
Geometric Group Theory, Technion, Israel, June 2000
Conference in honor of Larry Siebenmann and Valentin Poenaru, Orsay, June 1999
Conference in honor of Rips' 50th birthday, Hebrew University, December 1998
The Zabrodsky Lecture, Hebrew University, December 1998
Spring Topology Conference, Invited Address, George Mason University, March 1998
London-Sussex-Southampton Topology Seminar, July 1997
Workshop on real trees, CRM, Montreal, October 1996
Invited Address, 1^{st} Congress of the Croatian Mathematical Society, Zagreb, July 1996
Conference in honor of Wu-Chung Hsiang, Princeton, October 1995
Spring Topology Conference, Invited Address, University of Delaware, April 1995
ICM Satellite meeting on low dimensional topology, Lyon, July 1994

Service:

Selection Committee for ICBS Frontiers of Science Award, Algebraic and Geometric Topology, 2023, 2024
AIM Scientific Board, 2005-2022
NSF Postdoctoral Panel, AMS representative, 2001-2004
NSF Panel, Algebraic Topology and Geometric Group Theory, several times
Selection Committee for Speakers in the Topology Session, Madrid ICM 2006
Selection Committee for plenary speakers at a joint AMS meeting in Warsaw 2007
2014 Current Events Bulletin Committee
Scientific Committees for various geometric group theory conferences

Editorial Boards:

Peking Journal of Mathematics, (2023-)
Geometry and Topology, (2019-)
Duke Math. J., (2015-)
Publicacions Matemátiques, (2015-)
Rocky Mountain Journal of Mathematics, (2009-2015)
Journal of Topology and Analysis, (2008-)
GAFA, (2007-)
Annals of Mathematics, Associate Editor (2006-2013)
Groups, Geometry, and Dynamics (2006-)
Transactions of the AMS and Memoirs of the AMS (editor for geometric topology 2003-2008)
Michigan Math. J. (2008-)
Glasnik Matematički (journal of the Croatian Mathematical Society)
Mathematical Communications (journal of the Croatian Mathematical Society)
Proceedings of the Edinburgh Mathematical Society (Consulting Editor 2004-2011)

Conferences Organized:

PIMS special session in geometric group theory, with Koji Fujiwara and Rita Jiminez-Rolland, Vancouve JMM special session in geometric group theory, with Dan Margalit and Carolyn Abbott, Jan 2022 Dubrovnik Topology and Dynamics Conference, Dubrovnik, Croatia, June 2019

- Warwick Workshop "Geometry of Teichmüller space and mapping class groups", April 2018 (coorganizers: Tara Brendle, Christopher Leininger)
- Newton Institute Workshop "Non-positive curvature, group actions and cohomology", Cambridge, June 2 (coorganizers: Brian Bowditch, Alessandra Iozzi, Nicolas Monod)

MSRI Jumbo program, Geometric Group Theory, Fall 2016

(coorganizers: Ian Agol, Cornelia Druţu, Mark Feighn, Michah Sageev, Karen Vogtmann) ICERM workshop, Effective and Algorithmic Methods in Hyperbolic Geometry and Free Groups, May 2016 (coorganizers: Tarik Aougab, Jeffrey Brock, Eriko Hironaka, Johanna Mangahas) Geometric Topology, Geometric group theory and dynamics, Dubrovnik, June 2015 PCMI Program in Geometric Group Theory (with M. Sageev and K. Vogtmann), July 2012 Dubrovnik Topology Conference, Croatia, June 2011 Clay Institute workshop on Outer space, October 2009 MSRI special semester in geometric group theory, Fall 2007 AIM meeting on open problems in geometric group theory, April 2007 Semi-annual Wasatch Topology Conference, 1995-present Spring Topology Conference, University of Utah 1999 Various Scientific Organizing Committees

Outreach:

Presentation at SACNAS (organization devoted to advancing Hispanics, Chicanos and Native Americans in Science), San Jose, CA, October 2011 Summer Program for high school students, Univ of Utah, Summer 2007

PhD Students:

Other:

Tad White (1991)
Sean Cleary (1992)
Warwick Daw (1992)
Reiner Martin (1995)
Nataša Macura (1998)
Sung Yil Yoon (2002)
Emina Alibegović (2003)
Zrinka Despotovich (2006)
Matt Clay (2006)
Lars Louder (2007)
Yael Algom Kfir (2010)
William Malone (2010)
Erika Meucci (2011)
Brian Mann (2014)
Sonya Leibman (2014)
Radhika Gupta (2017)
Derrick Wigglesworth (2018)
Dawei (David) Wang (2019)
George Domat (2022)
Ryan Dickmann (2022)
Sanghoon Kwak (2024, joint with Priyam Patel)
Michael Kopreski (current)
George Shaji (current)
External Examiner, PhD thesis, Alessandro Sisto, Oxford, 2013
External Examiner, PhD thesis, Richard Webb, Warwick, 2014
REU project on Coxeter groups with Kouver Bingham, 2014
External Examiner, PhD thesis, Camille Horbez, Bennes, 2014

REU project on Coxeter groups with Kouver Bingham, 2014
External Examiner, PhD thesis, Camille Horbez, Rennes, 2014
Mentored Brian Udall and supervised Honors Thesis, Brian accepted in graduate school at Rice University, 2021

Some activities in the last 3 years:

Published 6 papers, including in Ann. Sci. Éc. Norm. Supér.
Posted 7 preprints on the arxiv, 4 of these are accepted for publication
Graduated 2 PhD students (George Domat and Ryan Dickmann)
Mentoring 3 graduate students, one (joint with Priyam Patel) is finishing in spring 2024
Comentoring (with Priyam Patel) two postdocs (Elizabeth Field and Alex Rasmussen), both received NSF postdoctoral fellowships.
Continuing editorial work in several journals, including GAFA, Duke, Geometry and Topology, Groups Geometry and Dynamics.
Several departmental committees,
College of Science RPT committee 2021-2025 (Chair 2023-24)
Putnam exam coordinator, including running Math 5000
Given Zassenhaus Lectures at Ohio State 2022.

Given plenary talk at ICM 2022.

Grant support:

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List of Preprints - Mladen Bestvina

- Mladen Bestvina, Federica Fanoni, and Jing Tao. Towards Nielsen-Thurston classification for surfaces of infinite type. arXiv:2303.12413, 2023.
- [2] Mladen Bestvina, Martin R. Bridson, and Richard D. Wade. On the geometry of the free factor graph for $Aut(F_N)$. arXiv:2312.03535, 2023.
- [3] Mladen Bestvina and Martin R. Bridson. Rigidity of the free factor complex. arXiv:2306.05941, 2023.
- [4] Mladen Bestvina and Alexander J. Rasmussen. Transverse measures to infinite type laminations. arXiv:2209.00164, 2022.
- [5] Mladen Bestvina, Radhika Gupta, and Jing Tao. Limit sets of unfolding paths in Outer space. arXiv:2207.06992, 2022.
- [6] Mladen Bestvina, Jonathan Chaika, and Sebastian Hensel. Connectivity of the Gromov boundary of the free factor complex. arXiv:2105.01537, 2021.
- [7] Yael Algom-Kfir and Mladen Bestvina. Groups of proper homotopy equivalences of graphs and Nielsen Realization. arXiv:2109.06908, 2021.
- [8] Mladen Bestvina and Mark Feighn. Definable and negligible subsets of free groups, I. preprint.

List of Publications - Mladen Bestvina

- Mladen Bestvina. Groups acting on hyperbolic spaces—a survey. In ICM—International Congress of Mathematicians. Vol. II. Plenary lectures, pages 678–711. EMS Press, Berlin, [2023] ©2023.
- [2] Mladen Bestvina, Koji Fujiwara, and Derrick Wigglesworth. The Farrell-Jones conjecture for hyperbolic-by-cyclic groups. Int. Math. Res. Not. IMRN, (7):5887–5904, 2023.
- [3] Mladen Bestvina, Mark Feighn, and Michael Handel. A McCool Whitehead type theorem for finitely generated subgroups of $Out(F_n)$. Ann. H. Lebesgue, 6:65–94, 2023.
- [4] Mladen Bestvina, Ryan Dickmann, George Domat, Sanghoon Kwak, Priyam Patel, and Emily Stark. Free products from spinning and rotating families. *Enseign. Math.*, 69(3-4):235-260, 2023.
- [5] Mladen Bestvina, Vincent Guirardel, and Camille Horbez. Boundary amenability of $Out(F_N)$. Ann. Sci. Éc. Norm. Supér. (4), 55(5):1379–1431, 2022.
- [6] Mladen Bestvina, Ken Bromberg, and Koji Fujiwara. Proper actions on finite products of quasi-trees. Ann. H. Lebesgue, 4:685–709, 2021.
- [7] Mladen Bestvina and Gordan Savin. Bounded contractions for affine buildings. Proc. Amer. Math. Soc., 148(2):875–883, 2020.
- [8] Mladen Bestvina, Camille Horbez, and Richard D. Wade. On the topological dimension of the Gromov boundaries of some hyperbolic $Out(F_N)$ -graphs. *Pacific J. Math.*, 308(1):1–40, 2020.
- [9] Mladen Bestvina, Kenneth Bromberg, Autumn E. Kent, and Christopher J. Leininger. Undistorted purely pseudo-Anosov groups. J. Reine Angew. Math., 760:213–227, 2020.
- [10] Mladen Bestvina, Kenneth Bromberg, Koji Fujiwara, and Alessandro Sisto. Acylindrical actions on projection complexes. *Enseign. Math.*, 65(1-2):1–32, 2020.
- [11] Mladen Bestvina and Camille Horbez. A compactification of outer space which is an absolute retract. Ann. Inst. Fourier (Grenoble), 69(6):2395–2437, 2019.
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- [17] Mladen Bestvina. Homological stability of $Aut(F_n)$ revisited. In Hyperbolic geometry and geometric group theory, volume 73 of Adv. Stud. Pure Math., pages 1–11. Math. Soc. Japan, Tokyo, 2017.
- [18] Mladen Bestvina, Bruce Kleiner, and Michah Sageev. Quasiflats in CAT(0) 2-complexes. Algebr. Geom. Topol., 16(5):2663–2676, 2016.
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- [20] Mladen Bestvina, Ken Bromberg, and Koji Fujiwara. Bounded cohomology with coefficients in uniformly convex Banach spaces. *Comment. Math. Helv.*, 91(2):203–218, 2016.
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