Pingbang Hu

EDUCATION

Ph.D. Student

University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign

School of Information Science, Illinois

Aug. 2023 - Present

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o Advisor: Jiaqi Ma

o Research Area: AI Theory on Graphs & Theoretical Computer Science

University of Michigan

College of Engineering, Michigan

B.Sc. in Computer Science, Summa Cum Laude

Aug. 2021 - May. 2023

o Minor: Mathematics, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

Shanghai Jiao Tong University

UM-SJTU Joint Institute, Shanghai, China

Aug. 2019 - Aug. 2023

o Minor: Computer Science, UM-SJTU Joint Institute

SELECTED RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

B.Eng. in Electrical and Computer Engineering

Network Failure Detection

Undergraduate Researcher

College of Engineering, Michigan

Mar. 2022 - Sep. 2022

• General: An improved algorithm on finding small balanced separator in almost linear time.

Deep Learning Foundation

College of Engineering, Michigan

Mar. 2022 - Jan. 2023

o General: Theoretical analysis on intrinsic dimension under isoperimetry assumptions, supported by SURE Program.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Undergraduate Researcher

EECS475 Introduction to Cryptography

College of Engineering, Michigan

Jan. 2023 - May. 2023

- o General: Hold discussion & office hour weekly for an upper-level 100+ student course on the main CS track.
- Topics: Focuses on historic ciphers, symmetric encryption (pseudo-random generators, stream ciphers, pseudo-random functions/permutations), message authentication, cryptographic hash functions, and public key encryption.

EECS572 Randomness and Computation

College of Engineering, Michigan

Instructional Aide

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Aug. 2022 - Dec. 2022

- $\circ \ \, \textbf{General} \hbox{: Hold discussion \& office hour weekly for a graduate-level 70+ student course on the M.S.\ theory\ CS\ track.}$
- o Topics: Focuses on randomized algorithm and complexity, pseudo-random generator, applications in cryptography.

VV285 Honor Mathematics III

UM-SJTU Joint Institute, Shanghai, China

 $Instructional\ Aide$

 $Mar.\ 2021-Aug.\ 2021$

- $\circ \ \, \textbf{General} \hbox{: Hold discussion \& office hour weekly for a 150+ student rigorous analysis course on the main B.S. ECE track.}$
- \circ Topics: Focuses on linear algebra theory, topology, potentials and vector fields, higher derivatives, Riemann integral in \mathbb{R}^n , integration on curves and surfaces, Green, Stokes and Gauß theorem.
- \circ Competition: Hold the 1st UM-SJTU JIntegration Bee competition.

VV186 Honor Mathematics II

UM-SJTU Joint Institute, Shanghai, China

Instructional Aide

 $Sep.\,\,2020$ – $Dec.\,\,2020$

- \circ General: Hold discussion & office hour weekly for a 200+ student rigorous analysis course on the main B.S. ECE track.
- \circ Topics: Focuses on one-variable real analysis, e.g., set theory, construction of \mathbb{R} , ϵ - δ definitions, uniform continuity, etc.

Selected Honors and Awards

Hong Kong, Macao and Taiwan Overseas Chinese Student Scholarship

Shanghai, China

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First Prize (Ranked #2) among all HK, MC and TW students in Shanghai Jiao Tong University

Oct. 2021

Undergraduate Excellent Scholarship

Third Prize among all students in UM-SJTU Joint Institute

Nov. 2020

Bao Gang Excellent Scholarship

Second Prize (Ranked #3) among all Taiwan students in Shanghai Jiao Tong University

Shanghai, China Jun. 2020

Hong Kong, Macao and Taiwan Overseas Chinese Student Scholarship

Shanghai, China

First Prize (Ranked #1) among all HK, MC and TW students in UM-SJTU Joint Institute

Dec. 2019