#### **EDUCATION**

PhD in Mathematics, University of Vermont (UVM), Burlington, VT, USA

May 2025

Dissertation: Odd Covers and Graph Saturation

Advisor: Puck Rombach

MSc in Mathematical Sciences, UVM

May 2022

BA in Mathematics and English, UVM

Dec 2017

#### Research

#### Fields of interest

Combinatorics; Graph theory

#### **Publications & Preprints**

Trail Trap: A variant of Partizan Edge Geography, with M. Carr, A. Clifton, S. G. Hartke, V. Iršič Chenoweth, N. Sieger, and R. Whitman; Discrete Applied Mathematics, 379:79–95, 2026.

A lower bound on the saturation number and a strengthening for triangle-free graphs, with P. Rombach; The Electronic Journal of Combinatorics, 32(3), #P3.14, 2025.

*Vertex addition to a ball graph with application to reliability and area coverage in autonomous swarms,* CB, P. Rombach, J. Bagrow, and H. R. Ossareh; arXiv:2506.19197, 2025.

On odd covers of cliques and disjoint unions, with A. Clifton, E. Culver, P. Frankl, J. Nie, K. Ozeki, P. Rombach, and M. Yin; *arXiv*:2408.08598, 2024.

Tropical geometry of Rado matroids, with R. Danner; Discrete Mathematics Letters, 14:27–30, 2024.

Node placement to maximize reliability of a communication network with application to satellite swarms, CB, J. Bagrow, P. Rombach, and H. Ossareh; in 2023 IEEE International Conference on Systems, *Man, and Cybernetics (SMC)*, Honolulu, Oahu, HI, USA; 3466–3473.

Toughness of recursively partitionable graphs, with B. Du Preez, K. E. Perry, and P. Rombach; Theory and Applications of Graphs, 10(2), Article 4, 2023.

Path odd-covers of graphs, with S. Borgwardt, E. Culver, B. Frederickson, P. Rombach, and Y. Yoo; arXiv:2306.06487, 2023.

Odd covers of graphs, with A. Clifton, E. Culver, J. Nie, J. O'Neill, P. Rombach, and M. Yin; Journal of Graph Theory, 104:420–439, 2023.

On the last new vertex visited by a random walk in a directed graph, with P. Horn and P. Rombach; Discrete Mathematics Letters, 11:96–98, 2023.

Subgraph complementation and minimum rank, with C. Purcell and P. Rombach; The Electronic Journal of Combinatorics, 29(1), #P1.38, 2022.

#### Technical reports

One Algorithm to Rule Them All, with N. Brown, N. Chicoine, B. Emerick, A. Emmanuel, C. Hammond, K. Oluwasegun, O. Pomerenk, L. Schneegans, and H. Taboe. *Mathematics in Industry Reports* (submitted April 2025).

### Research Assistantships & Fellowships

Vermont Space Grant Consortium Graduate Fellowship, UVM

Jul 2024 – Jun 2025

Graduate Research Assistant, UVM

Aug 2022 - Jan 2024

NASA EPSCoR Award Supervisor: Hamid Ossareh

### **TEACHING**

Graduate Primary Instructor, UVM

Math1212: Fundamentals of Calculus I Fall 2019, 2020, 2021

Math1077: Exploring Modern Mathematics Spring 2020, 2021, 2024

Instructor of Conversational English 2018 – 2019

Collèges Le Grand Beauregard and La Coutancière, La Chapelle sur Erdre, France

Teaching Assistant 2017, 2018

Johns Hopkins Center for Talented Youth, Bristol, RI

Course: Paradoxes and Infinities

Tutor

UVM Tutoring Center, Burlington, VT 2016 – 2018 Math Help Sessions, UVM 2019 – 2024

## Mentoring

Graduate Mentor, Polymath Jr. REU 2024

Project group leader, Graduate Research Workshop in Combinatorics

Path odd-covers of graphs 2022

Odd covers of graphs 2021

## **Awards**

Nam Sang Kil Scholarship in Mathematics, UVM 2023

Graduate Teaching Assistant of the Year, Lecture Instruction Category, UVM 2021

John F. Kenney Award, Excellence in mathematics, UVM

AMS Joint Mathematics Meetings Graduate Student Travel Grant	2021, 2024
AMS Graduate Student Sectional Travel Grant	2023
UVM Graduate College Mini-Grant	2022, 2023
The Phi Beta Kappa Society, Alpha of Vermont	2017
Service	
Graduate Student Council	2022 – present
College of Engineering and Mathematical Sciences, UVM	
Math Outreach	
Lectured at Governer's Institutes of Vermont and MathCounts NW VT Chapter C Prepared lessons on combinatorics for high school students (materials available o	•
Organizing	
Joint Mathematics Meetings, Seattle, WA	2025
AMS Special Session on Graphs, Hypergraphs, and Extremal Combinatorics (Co-organi	zer)
AMS Spring Central Sectional Meeting, Cincinnati, OH	2023
Special Session on Extremal Graph Theory (Co-organizer)	
UVM Combinatorics Seminar, Burlington, VT (Co-organizer)	2023
Workshops	
15th Emléktábla Workshop – Extremal combinatorics group	2024
SIAM Mathematical Problems in Industry Workshop	2024
Graduate Research Workshop in Combinatorics	2021, 2022
Masamu Advanced Study Institute and Workshops of the Southern Africa Mathematical Sciences Association	2020, 2021, 2023
Relevant Skills	
Coding: Python, LATEX and TikZ, HTML, SageMath	

# Graduate Courses

Languages: English (native), French (advanced)

Mathematical Sciences Research Institute (MSRI), Berkeley, CA

Random Graphs summer graduate school

### Department of Mathematics & Statistics, UVM

2019 - 2023

Spectral graph theory, extremal graph theory, probabilistic combinatorics, matroids and polytopes, symmetric functions, analysis (functional, complex, measure), algebraic geometry, algebraic topology, abstract algebra

# TALKS GIVEN

AMS Spring Eastern Sectional Meeting,* Hartford, CT	Apr 2025	
Iowa State University Discrete Math Seminar,* virtual	Feb 2025	
Joint Mathematics Meetings,* Seattle, WA	Jan 2025	
AMS Special Session on Coloring Problems in Combinatorics		
AMS Special Session on Random Walks on Graphs and Related Parameters		
Summit280, Budapest, Hungary	Jul 2024	
NY Graph Theory Workshop,* CUNY Graduate Center, New York, NY	May 2024	
NY Combinatorics Seminar,* CUNY Graduate Center, New York, NY	May 2024	
AMS Spring Eastern Sectional Meeting,* Howard University, Washington, DC	Apr 2024	
AMS Special Session on Recent Trends in Graph Theory		
Dartmouth-UVM Math Day, Dartmouth College, Hanover, NH	Feb 2024	
Joint Mathematics Meetings,* San Francisco, CA	Jan 2024	
AMS Special Session on Extremal and Probabilistic Combinatorics		
Southern Africa Mathematical Sciences Association (SAMSA) Annual Conference	Nov 2023	
University of Pretoria, Pretoria, South Africa		
IEEE Int. Conf. on Systems, Man, and Cybernetics, Honolulu, HI	Oct 2023	
AMS Fall Eastern Sectional Meeting,* University at Buffalo (SUNY), Buffalo, NY	Sep 2023	
Governer's Institute of Vermont (outreach),* UVM, Burlington, VT	Jul 2023	
Rutgers Graduate Combinatorics Seminar,* virtual	Apr 2023	
54th Southeastern International Conference on Combinatorics, Graph Theory & Computing	Mar 2023	
(SEICCGTC), Florida Atlantic University, Boca Raton, FL		
MathCounts Northwest VT Chapter Competition (outreach),* UVM, Burlington, VT	Feb 2023	
Iowa State University Discrete Math Seminar,* virtual	Jan 2023	
Joint Mathematics Meetings, Boston, MA	Jan 2023	
AMS Special Session on Research from the Graduate Research Workshop in Combinatorics (GRWC)		
UVM Combinatorics Seminar,* UVM, Burlington, VT	Nov 2022	

<sup>\*</sup>Indicates an invited talk

Dartmouth Combinatorics Seminar,* Dartmouth College, Hanover, NH	Nov 2022
Virginia Commonwealth University Discrete Math Seminar,* virtual	Oct 2022
SIAM DM22, Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh, PA	Jun 2022
53rd SEICCGTC, virtual	Mar 2022
UMass Amherst Discrete Math Seminar,* Amherst, MA	Mar 2022
UVM Combinatorics Seminar,* UVM, Burlington, VT	Jan 2022
AMS Fall Central Sectional Meeting, virtual	Oct 2021
UVM Combinatorics Seminar,* UVM, Burlington, VT	Sep 2021
SIAM DM21, virtual	Jul 2021
Northeast Combinatorics Network Discrete Math Day, virtual	Apr 2021
Graduate Students Combinatorics Conference, virtual	Apr 2021
63rd Midwestern Graph Theory Conference (MIGHTY), virtual	Apr 2022
52nd SEICCGTC, virtual	Mar 202