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Bio

I am a software engineer, working in scientific and high performance computing, mostly writing simulators. I have worked on simulators for

- 2D gapped topological phases of matter
- Lithium and Magnesium ion batteries
- Quantum optics

Employment

- PsiQuantum. November 2022 . Computational Physicist. Working on quantum optics simulators.
- Google. May 2022 September 2022. Software Engineer. Worked on Android auto. Contributed to Stim.
- Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory. November 2020 May 2022. Postdoctoral Fellow in the Applied Energy Materials Group. Worked on short time scale simulations of metal ion batteries. Built RNMC and HiPRGen.
- Mercury Technologies. April 2020 August 2020. Software Engineer. Worked on backend server written in Haskell.
- University of California, Santa Barbara. September 2019 March 2020. Lecturer and Postdoctoral Fellow. Course coordinator for Calculus 4.
- Australian National University. February 2018 August 2019. Postdoctoral fellow. Worked on constructing new exactly solvable quantum field theories using tools from algebraic topology and low dimensional category theory.
- University of Sydney. August 2017 January 2018. Postdoctoral researcher in Physics. Learned quantum field theory by interacting with researchers in condensed matter physics and quantum information theory.
- University of Michigan. September 2012 May 2016. Graduate student instructor for calculus 1, 2 and 3. Taught classes with 20-30 students, three times a week. Held office hours. Helped students use Mathematica. Graded homework/exams.
- University of Sydney. March 2011 June 2012. Tutor for calculus 1 and 2. Supervised problem sessions and graded homework/exams.

Education

- PhD, Mathematics, University of Michigan. September 2012 May 2017. Specialized in representation theory. Thesis: Some Remarks about the Interaction between Quantum Algebra and Representation Stability.
- B.Sc with First Class Honours and University Medal, Pure Mathematics, University of Sydney. March 2008 December 2011.

Software

- C++: Good debugging skills. Some of my favorite libraries and tools: sqlite, pybind11, gdb, perf.
- **Python**: Comfortable with the python/C interface and core parts of the python scientific computing ecosystem: numpy, scipy, jax, sympy, matplotlib, py-spy, memray, pydantic.
- Linux: Good understanding of linux user space. Comfortable on any linux system running bash, tmux and emacs, in particular, Debian and NixOS. Check out my NixOS configuration which specifies all my personal machines.

Papers

- doi:10.26434/chemrxiv-2023-tntkg-v2. Chemical Reaction Networks Explain Gas Evolution Mechanisms in Mg-Ion Batteries. Joint work with Evan Spotte-Smith, Sam Blau and others.
- doi:10.26434/chemrxiv-2022-n236n. Towards a Mechanistic Model of Solid-Electrolyte Interphase Formation and Evolution in Lithium-ion Batteries. Joint work with Evan Spotte-Smith, Ronald Kam and others.
- doi:10.26434/chemrxiv-2021-c2gp3. Predictive stochastic analysis of massive filter-based electrochemical reaction networks. Joint work with Evan Spotte-Smith, Sam Blau and others.
- arXiv:2110.03644. Computing associators of endomorphism fusion categories. Joint with Jacob Bridgeman and Ramona Wolf. **Published** in SciPost.
- arXiv:1907.06692. Computing data for Levin-Wen with defects. Joint with Jacob Bridgeman. **Published** in Quantum.
- arXiv:1901.08069. Computing Defects Associated to Bounded Domain Wall Structures: The $\mathbf{Vec}(\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z})$ case. Joint with Jacob Bridgeman. **Published** in Journal of Physics A.
- arXiv:1810.09469. Fusing Binary Interface Defects in Topological Phases: The $\mathbf{Vec}(\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z})$ case. Joint with Jacob Bridgeman and Corey Jones. **Published** in Journal of Mathematical Physics.
- arXiv:1806.01279. Domain walls in topological phases and the Brauer-Picard ring for $\mathbf{Vec}(\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z})$. Joint with Jacob Bridgeman and Corey Jones. **Published** in Communications in Mathematical Physics.
- arXiv:1706.03645. Deligne categories and representations of the infinite symmetric group. Joint with Inna Entova-Aizenbud and Thorsten Heidersdorf. **Published** in Advances in Mathematics.
- arXiv:1611.00071. Eigenvalues of rotations and braids in spherical fusion categories. Joint with Corey Jones and Henry Tucker. **Published** in Journal of Algebra.
- arXiv:1610.05204. Computing the minimal model for the quantum symmetric algebra.
- arXiv:1610.05248. A remark about 6j symbols and young semi-normal form.
- arXiv:1509.04228. Noetherianity and rooted trees.