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EDUCATION

The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
Graduate Student, Computer Science

2019 -

The University of California at Berkeley
B.A in Computer Science
B.A in Pure Mathematics
Awarded Honors in Mathematics

2013 - 2017

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Quantum Computation Theory: Topological Quantum Computation
Quantum Information Theory
Quantum Complexity Theory

Computational Complexity: Analysis of Boolean Functions
Algebraic Methods in Complexity Theory

PUBLICATIONS

- Sanaz Sheikhi, **Edward Kim**, Parasara Sridhar Duggirala, Stanley Bak:
Coverage-Guided Fuzz Testing for Testing Cyber Physical Systems
13th ACM/IEEE International Conference on Cyber-Physical Systems
- Luca Geretti, Julien Alexandre dit Sandretto, Matthias Althoff, Luis Benet, Alexandre Chapoutot, Pieter Collins, Parasara Sridhar Duggirala, Marcelo Forets, **Edward Kim**, Uziel Linares, David P. Sanders, Christian Schilling, and Mark Wetzlinger:
ARCH-COMP21 Category Report: Continuous and Hybrid Systems with Nonlinear Dynamics
8th Int. Workshop on Applied Verification for Continuous and Hybrid Systems, 2021
(Link)
- **Edward Kim**, Stanley Bak, Parasara Sridhar Duggirala:
Automatic Dynamic Parallelotope Bundles for Reachability Analysis of Nonlinear Systems
19th International Conference on Formal Modeling and Analysis of Timed Systems, 2021
(arXiv, Slides, Springer Proceedings)
- **Edward Kim**, Parasara Sridhar Duggirala:
Kaa: A Python Implementation of Reachable Set Computation Using Bernstein Polynomials
7th Int. Workshop on Applied Verification for Continuous and Hybrid Systems, 2020
(Slides, Proceedings)
- Wei-Kai Lai, **Edward Kim**:
Some Inequalities Involving Geometric and Harmonic Means
International Mathematical Forum, Vol. 11, 2016, no. 4, 163-169

OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS

- Stanley Bak, **Edward Kim**, Parasara Sridhar Duggirala:
COVID Infection Prediction using CPS Formal Verification Methods
ACM SIGBED Blog, June 21, 2021. Link

EXPOSITIONS

(*)-WIP

- **Random Local Quantum Circuits as Unitary 2-designs**

An annotation and review of *Random quantum circuits are approximate 2-designs* by Aram W. Harrow and Richard A. Low. The final result of a directed reading conducted during the Spring 2020 semester. Report

- **The Schur-Weyl Duality in Quantum Information**

An exposition of the Schur-Weyl Duality and its role in seminal proofs found in Quantum Information Theory from Quantum Data Compression to Recoupling Coefficients. The final project for Quantum Information Theory class (Duke PHYS 590). Report

- * **Quantum Expanders and their Applications**

Lecture notes on the definitions of Quantum Expanders and their tensor-product counterparts with specific attention to applications in Quantum Information Theory. Applications include Hastings' study of the entanglement entropy of some gapped one-dimensional systems and quasirandom quantum channels. These notes are created to prepare for a reading group on QIT during the Spring 2022 semester. Proposal

- * **Unique Games Conjecture with connections to Quantum Complexity**

Writing as a supplement to the Analysis on Boolean Functions class (Duke COMPSI 590). An exposition on the Unique Games Conjecture, The PCP Theorem, and some connections to Quantum Complexity and Information. Specific attention is given to topics with overlaps in Hypercontractivity, Non-local Games, and the Quantum PCP Conjecture. Report

RELEVANT COURSE WORK

Mathematics:	Lie Groups, Smooth Manifolds, Measure Theory, Functional Analysis, Differential Geometry, Lie Algebras and their Representations, Homological Algebra, Algebraic Topology, Complex Analysis
Computer Science:	Quantum Algorithms and Computation, Quantum Information Theory, Analysis on Boolean Functions, Boolean Function Complexity, Computational Complexity Theory, Randomized Algorithms, Introduction to Cryptography, Quantum Error Correction

EXPERIENCE

- **University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill**
Research Assistant

2019 -

Conducting research in projects pertaining to the formal verification of safety properties of *non-linear systems* and *hybrid automata*. Focusing on counter-example generation to aid practitioners in verifying the safety of Cyber-physical Systems.

- ♦ Created a tool called **Kaa** for the reachability of non-linear discrete dynamical systems using parallelotope bundles. Improved on existing tools for reachability computation using these techniques.
- ♦ Used parallelotope-based reachability techniques to model COVID disease dynamics.
- ♦ Investigated applications of *fuzz testing* and *persistence homology* for falsification of Hybrid Automata.

SERVICES

- **Information and Computation** **January 2022**
Reviewer
I will be participating as a reviewer for an upcoming special issue of Information and Computation titled *Formal Verification of Cyber-Physical Systems*, which will focus topics focused on reachability analysis in CPS. The special issue's managing editors are Luca Geretti (University of Verona), Prof. Tiziano Villa (University of Verona), Prof. Alessandro Abate (University of Oxford), and Prof. Pierluigi Nuzzo (University of Southern California).
- **ICCPs 2022** [Link] **February 2022**
Artifact Evaluation Committee Member
I will be participating as a member of the Artifact Evaluation Committee for the 13th ACM/IEEE International Conference on Cyber-Physical Systems.
- **CAV 2022** [Link] **May 2022**
Artifact Evaluation Committee Member
I will be participating as a member of the Artifact Evaluation Committee for the upcoming 34th International Conference on Computer Aided Verification.
- **South Carolina State University Deep Learning Group** **Winter 2021**
Research Mentor
I plan to mentor undergraduate research students from under-represented minority groups in performing Machine Learning research as follows:
 - ◆ Teach Python and Tensorflow to two undergraduate research assistants in Computer Science.
 - ◆ Aid the research team in constructing deep learning models using Tensorflow.
 - ◆ Provide programming mentorship and support during the Winter 2021 and Summer 2022 periods.This research is sponsored by South Carolina Cancer Disparities Research Center, a partnership between SCSU and MUSC Hollings Cancer Center to improve diversity in cancer research.
- **UNC Cyber-Physical Systems Lunch** **Spring 2021**
Organizer
I organized the Cyber-physical/Real-time Systems Lunch during the Spring 2020 semester. During the lunch, students and faculty involved in Autonomous Systems, Real-Time Systems, Cyber-physical Systems, and Formal Verification met to discuss research and present recently-published papers during an hour-long session each week.
 - ◆ Provided a weekly platform for graduate students to conduct practice talks and give guest lectures.
 - ◆ Presented several talks on current research progress.

PEDAGOGY

- **Calculus Tutor** **2018**
Tutored Calculus to students at South Carolina State University, a Historically Black College and University (HSBC). Stressed geometric intuition and visual approaches rather than rote memorization of formulae and concepts.
- **Programming Languages Tutor** **2018**
Provided discussions for South Carolina State University Computer Science students attending summer courses. These discussions pertained to basic programming language concepts in the context of Python, Java, and C.

PROJECTS AND SOFTWARE [GITHUB]

- **Kaa (Python, C++)** [Link]
Software created to experiment with reachable set computations of discrete non-linear dynamical systems. The project was specifically created to understand the effectiveness of dynamically-reorienting parallelotope bundles

on improving the quality of over-approximations of reachable sets. It is the first experimental software created to properly plot the evolution of these dynamic bundle strategies for practitioners to understand the efficacy of different bundle strategies. It significantly improved the usability of previously existing reachable set simulators using these techniques.

- **TDAGo (Python)** [\[Link\]](#)

Python program to analyze Go games using Persistence Homology for Duke's Topological Data Analysis class. Used the evolution of persistence diagrams to detect topologically-significant features of games played between iterations of Google Deepmind's AlphaGo.

WORKSHOPS/CONFERENCES ATTENDED

- **QONFEST 2021 Paris** **2021**
19th International Conference on Formal Modeling and Analysis of Timed Systems
[Link to Program](#)
- **8th Int. Workshop on Applied Verification for Continuous and Hybrid Systems** **2021**
[Link to Program](#)
- **7th Int. Workshop on Applied Verification for Continuous and Hybrid Systems** **2020**
[Link to Program](#)
- **Simons Institute for the Theory of Computation** **2020**
Spring 2020 Workshop on Quantum Protocols: Testing & Quantum PCPs
[Link to Workshop Description](#)