EDWARD KIM

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EDUCATION

The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

2019 -

Graduate Student, Computer Science

The University of California at Berkeley

2013 - 2017

B.A in Computer Science

Honors B.A in Pure Mathematics

Specialized in Theoretical CS, Mathematical Logic

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Quantum Computation Theory: Quantum Error Correction

Quantum Information Theory

Topological Quantum Computation

Computational Complexity Theory: Quantum Complexity Theory

Post-Quantum Cryptography

PUBLICATIONS

• 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

EXPOSITIONS

• Notes on the Fourier Analysis of Boolean Functions

Wrote an short survey on the Fourier Analysis of Boolean Functions with view towards the Linial-Mansour-Nisan Theorem. Link to Report

• Quantum Expanders and k-designs

Wrote an expository paper on the theory of Quantum Pseudorandomess as a project for Advanced Topics in Quantum Information. Link to Report

• Schur-Weyl Duality in Quantum Information

Wrote an expository paper on applications of the Schur-Weyl Duality to fundamental questions in Quantum Information Theory. Presented it to the Duke University PHYS 590 class of Spring 2020. Link to Report

RELEVANT COURSE WORK

Mathematics: Lie Groups, Smooth Manifolds, Measure Theory, Functional Analysis,

Differential Geometry, Lie Algebras and their Representations, Homological Algebra, Complex Analysis, Numerical Analysis

Computer Science: Quantum Algorithms and Computation, Quantum Information Theory,

Topological Data Analysis, Boolean Function Complexity, Computational Complexity Theory, Randomized Algorithms

PROGRAMMING LANGUAGES AND SKILLS

Proficient Languages - C/C++, C#, Python, Haskell, Common Lisp, Java, [Github]

Tools Used In Projects - QHull, Numpy, Sympy, Matplotlib

- Kaa (> 5000 lines, Python) Software created to experiment with reachable set computations of non-linear systems governed under discrete polynomial dynamics. It was specifically created to understand the effectiveness of dynamically-reorienting parallelotope bundles on improving the quality of reachable set overapproximations. 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)** Python program to analyze Go games using persistence homology for Duke's Topological Data Analysis class. Used the evolution of persistence diagrams to analyze games played between iterations of Google Deepmind's AlphaGo. [Link to Report]
- **Simple Microarchitecture (Assembly)** Programmed microcode implementing assembly instructions for a simple microarchitecture. Includes a program simulating the CPU by clock-cycle to visualize the microcode working.

WORK EXPERIENCE

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

2019 -

Research Assistant- Providing research assistance to projects pertaining to the formal verification of safety properties of non-linear cyber-physical systems. Focusing on counter-example generation to aid practitioners in verifying the safety of their models.

- 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.
- Contributed to the documentation efforts of HyLAA, a verification tool of hybrid automata governed by linear dynamics.

University of South Carolina

2016

Research Assistant- Published some basic results about fundamental inequalities by remotely collaborating with Professor Wei-Kai Lai from the University of South Carolina, Salkehatchie.

Paper: Some inequalities involving geometric and harmonic means

PEDAGOGY

Calculus Tutor 2018

Tutored Calculus to students at South Carolina State University. 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. Discussions pertained to Python, Java, and C.

WORKSHOPS/CONFERENCES ATTENDED

Simons Institute for the Theory of Computation

2020

Spring 2020 Workshop on Quantum Protocols: Testing & Quantum PCPs

Link to Workshop Description