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Research Interests	Algebraic graph theory, quantum walks, orthogonal polynomischemes, covering graphs, graph embeddings	ials, equiangular lines, association
Current	York Science Fellow	Oct 2019, - Present

Position

• Department of Mathematics and Statistics, York University, Toronto, ON, Canada Supervisor: Ada Chan

Previous Positions

Postdoctoral Fellow

Oct 2018 - Sep 2018

• Centre de Recherches Mathématiques, Université de Montréal, Montréal, QC, Canada Supervisor: Luc Vinet

EDUCATION

University of Waterloo, Waterloo, ON, Canada

• Ph.D. May 2014 - Sept 2018

Department of Combinatorics and Optimization, Faculty of Mathematics

Thesis: Discrete Quantum Walks on Graphs and Digraphs

Supervisor: Chris Godsil

Thesis awards:

- University Finalist for the Governor General's Gold Medal
- First Place in the Inaugural Mathematics Doctoral Prize Competition
- Master of Mathematics

Sep 2012 - Apr 2014

Department of Combinatorics and Optimization, Faculty of Mathematics

Thesis: Uniform Mixing on Cayley Graphs over \mathbb{Z}_3^d

Supervisor: Chris Godsil

Thesis award:

- Outstanding Achievement in Graduate Studies

• Bachelor of Arts

Jan 2010 - Aug 2012

Department of Economics, Faculty of Arts Thesis: Second-Price Auction with Resale

Supervisor: Philip Curry

Xiamen University, Xiamen, Fujian, China

• Bachelor of Economics

Sep 2008 - Jun 2014

Department of Statistics, Faculty of Economics Thesis: Multi-Player Multi-State Quantum Games

Supervisor: Zhengming Qian

Publications Journal Publications

- 1. H. Zhan, An infinite family of circulant graphs with perfect state transfer in discrete quantum walks, accepted to Quantum Information Processing, arXiv:1707.06703.
- G. Coutinho, L. Vinet, H. Zhan, A. Zhedanov. Perfect state transfer in a spin chain without mirror symmetry. Journal of Physics A: Mathematical and Theoretical 52 (2019), 455302.
- 3. C. Godsil, H. Zhan, *Discrete-time quantum walks and graph structures*. Journal of Combinatorial Theory, Series A (2019), 181212.
- 4. A. Chan, G. Coutinho, C. Tamon, L. Vinet, H. Zhan, Quantum fractional revival on graphs. Discrete Applied Mathematics (2019).
- 5. G. Coutinho, C. Godsil, K. Guo, H. Zhan, A new perspective on the average mixing matrix. Electronic Journal of Combinatorics (2018) 25(4): P4.14.
- 6. C. Godsil, H. Zhan, *Uniform mixing on Cayley graphs*. Electronic Journal of Combinatorics (2017) 24(3): P3.20.
- 7. G. Coutinho, C. Godsil, M. Shirazi, H. Zhan, Equiangular lines and covers of the complete graph. Linear Algebra and its Applications (2016) 488: 264-283.
- 8. R. Alvir, S. Dever, B. Lovitz, J. Myer, C. Tamon, Y. Xu, H. Zhan. *Perfect state transfer in Laplacian quantum walk*. Journal of Algebraic Combinatorics (2016) 43(4): 801-826.

Preprints

- 9. A. Chan, G. Coutinho, C. Tamon, L. Vinet, H. Zhan, Fractional revival and association schemes. arXiv:1907.04729 (2019). Submitted.
- 10. L. Vinet, H. Zhan, Perfect state transfer on weighted graphs of the Johnson scheme. arXiv:1904.08838 (2019).
- 11. H. Zhan, Quantum walks on embeddings. arXiv:1711.08831 (2017). Submitted.

Book in Preparation

12. C. Godsil, H. Zhan, Discrete Quantum Walks.

Presentations Invited Talks

- 1. State transfer via orthogonal polynomials. In: AMS Sectional Meeting, University of Wisconsin-Madison, Madison, WI, United States, September 14 15, 2019.
- 2. Quantum state transfer in the algebra of the Johnson scheme. In: CMS Summer Meeting, University of Regina, Regina, SK, Canada, June 7 10, 2019.
- 3. Some elegant results in algebraic graph theory. In: Canadian Discrete and Algorithmic Mathematics Conference, Simon Frase University, Vancouver, BC, Canada, May 28 31, 2019.
- 4. Quantum walks, orthogonal polynomials, and spectral graph theory. In: Quantum Walks and Information Tasks, Banff International Research Station for Mathematical Innovation and Discovery, Banff, AB, Canada, April 21 26, 2019.

- 5. Generating entanglement using quantum walks. In: David A. Walsh Seminar Series, Clarkson University, Potsdam, NY, United States, February 8, 2019.
- 6. Some open problems in discrete quantum walks. In: Algebraic Graph Theory and Quantum Walks, University of Waterloo, Waterloo, ON, Canada, April 23 27, 2018.
- Recent progress in discrete quantum walks. In: AMS Sectional Meeting, Northeastern University, Boston, MA, United States, April 21 - 22, 2018, 2018.
- 8. Graph covers and equiangular frames. In: AMS Sectional Meeting, Ohio State University, Columbus, OH, United States, March 16 18, 2018.
- 9. From covers to tight frames. In: AMS Sectional Meeting, College of Charleston, Charleston, SC, United States, March 10 12, 2017.
- 10. Spectra of discrete quantum walks. In: CMS Summer Meeting, University of Alberta, Edmonton, AB, Canada, June 24 27, 2016.
- 11. Lines and covers of complete graphs 2. In: Systems of Lines: Applications of Algebraic Combinatorics, Worcester Polytechnic Institute, Worcester, MA, United States, August 10 14, 2015.
- 12. Some open problems in uniform mixing. In: Summer Research Program, Clarkson University, Potsdam, NY, United States, July 20, 2015.

Conference Talks

- 1. The vertex-face walk. In: Finite Geometry and Extremal Combinatorics, University of Delaware, Newark, DE, United States, August 21 24, 2019.
- 2. Combinatorial aspects of quantum walks. In: Prairie Discrete Math Workshop, Brandon University, Brandon, MB, Canada, June 12 15, 2018.
- 3. Discrete-time quantum walks and graph embeddings. In: CMS Winter Meeting, University of Waterloo, Waterloo, ON, Canada, December 8 11, 2017.
- 4. Quantum walks and mixing. In: Algebraic and Extremal Graph Theory, University of Delaware, Newark, DE, United States, August 7 10, 2017.
- 5. Discrete-time quantum walks and graph structures. In: Canadian Discrete and Algorithmic Mathematics Conference, Ryerson University, Toronto, ON, Canada, June 12 15, 2017.
- 6. Uniform mixing in quantum walks. In: 22nd Ontario Combinatorics Workshop, York University, Toronto, ON, Canada, May 16 17, 2014.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

University of Waterloo

Graduate Research Assistant
Generated data on continuous and discrete quantum walks, and created websites introducing average mixing matrices, periodic vertices and strongly cospectral vertices

Teaching EXPERIENCE

University of Waterloo

Winter 2018 • Instructor

MATH 135: Algebra for Honors Mathematics • Substitute Instructor

Winter 2017

CO 444/644: Algebraic Graph Theory

• Teaching Assistant

2012 - 2017

Algebraic Enumeration, Algebraic Graph Theory, Calculus, Coding Theory, Introduction to Graph Theory, Graph Theory, Introduction to Combinatorics, Linear Algebra, Portfolio Optimization Models, Special Topics in Mathematical Connections

SERVICE

Conference, Workshop and Seminar Organizer

• Algebraic Graph Theory and Quantum Information, Fields Institute May 4 - 8, 2020

• Quantum Information on Graphs, CMS Winter Meeting

Dec 6 - 9, 2019

• Discrete Mathematics Seminar, York University

Fall, 2019

• Algebraic Graph Theory Seminar, University of Waterloo

Spring 2016, Fall 2017

Journal Reviewer

- Discrete Mathematics
- Electronic Journal of Combinatorics
- ICALP
- Journal of Physics A: Mathematical and Theoretical
- Linear Algebra and Its Applications
- Linear and Multilinear Algebra
- SampTA

Awards and DISTICTIONS

University of Waterloo

• University Finalist for the Governor General's Gold Medal	2019
• First Place in the Inaugural Mathematics Doctoral Prize Competition	2019
• Outstanding Achievement in Graduate Studies	2015
• Cotton Family Women in Mathematics Graduate Scholarship	2014, 2016, 2017
• Faculty of Arts Upper-Year Scholarship	2011-2012
• Robin K. Banks Scholarship	2011-2012
• Dean's Honours List	2011-2012