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RESEARCH INTERESTS	Algebraic Graph theory, Quantum Walks, Orthogonal Polynomials, Quantum Information, Equiangular Lines
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CURRENT POSITION	York Science Fellow Oct 2019, - Present
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Department of Mathematics and Statistics, York University, Toronto, ON, Canada Supervisor: Ada Chan

PREVIOUS POSITIONS	Postdoctoral Fellow Oct 2018 - Sep 2018
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Centre de Recherches Mathématiques, Université de Montréal, Montréal, QC, Canada Supervisor: Luc Vinet

EDUCATION	University of Waterloo , Waterloo, ON, Canada
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Ph.D. May 2014 - Sept 2018 Department of Combinatorics and Optimization, Faculty of Mathematics Thesis: <i>Discrete Quantum Walks on Graphs and Digraphs</i> Supervisor: Chris GodsilMaster of Mathematics Sep 2012 - Apr 2014 Department of Combinatorics and Optimization, Faculty of Mathematics Thesis: <i>Uniform Mixing on Cayley Graphs over \mathbb{Z}_3^d</i> Supervisor: Chris GodsilBachelor of Arts Jan 2010 - Aug 2012 Department of Economics, Faculty of Arts Thesis: <i>Second-Price Auction with Resale</i> Supervisor: Philip Curry
	Xiamen University , Xiamen, Fujian, China
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Bachelor of Economics Sep 2008 - Jun 2014 Department of Statistics, Faculty of Economics Thesis: <i>Multi-Player Multi-State Quantum Games</i> Supervisor: Zhengming Qian

PUBLICATIONS	Journal Publications
	<ol style="list-style-type: none">G. Coutinho, L. Vinet, H. Zhan, A. Zhedanov. <i>Perfect state transfer in a spin chain without mirror symmetry</i>. Journal of Physics A: Mathematical and Theoretical 52 (2019), 455302.C. Godsil, H. Zhan, <i>Discrete-time quantum walks and graph structures</i>. Journal of Combinatorial Theory, Series A (2019), 181212.A. Chan, G. Coutinho, C. Tamon, L. Vinet, H. Zhan, <i>Quantum fractional revival on graphs</i>. Discrete Applied Mathematics (2019).

4. 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.
5. C. Godsil, H. Zhan, *Uniform mixing on Cayley graphs*. Electronic Journal of Combinatorics (2017) 24(3): P3.20.
6. 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.
7. 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

8. A. Chan, G. Coutinho, C. Tamon, L. Vinet, H. Zhan, *Fractional revival and association schemes*. arXiv:1907.04729 (2019). Submitted.
9. L. Vinet, H. Zhan, *Perfect state transfer on weighted graphs of the Johnson scheme*. arXiv:1904.08838 (2019).
10. H. Zhan, *Quantum walks on embeddings*. arXiv:1711.08831 (2017). Submitted.
11. H. Zhan, *An infinite family of circulant graphs with perfect state transfer in discrete quantum walks*. arXiv:1707.06703 (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 Fraser 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.
7. *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 2014 – 2016
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

- Instructor Winter 2018
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