

# (Jephian) Chin-Hung Lin

Phone: (+1)307-314-9275  
Email: [chlin@math.nsysu.edu.tw](mailto:chlin@math.nsysu.edu.tw)  
<http://jephianlin.github.io/>

Department of Applied Mathematics  
National Sun Yat-sen University  
Kaohsiung 80424, Taiwan

---

## EDUCATION

**2017** Ph.D., Mathematics, Iowa State University (ISU)

Advisor: Leslie Hogben & Steve Butler

**2011** M.S., Mathematics, National Taiwan University (NTU)

Advisor: Gerard Jennhwa Chang

**2009** B.S., Mathematics, National Taiwan Normal University (NTNU)

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

Algebraic graph theory; combinatorics; the inverse eigenvalue problem; graph algorithm; quantum information.

## EMPLOYMENT/FELLOWSHIPS

**2018–present** Assistant professor, National Sun Yat-sen University (NSYSU)

**2017–2018** Post-doctoral fellow, University of Victoria (UVic)

**2016 Spring** Wolfe fellowship, ISU

**2014 Fall** Long-term visitor, Institute of Mathematics and its Application (IMA)

## HONORS

**2017** Zaffarano Prize for Graduate Student Research, ISU

**2016** Graduate college research excellence award, ISU

**2016** Graduate college teaching excellence award, ISU

**2013–2016** Government scholarship, Ministry of Education, Taiwan

**2011** Excellent thesis award, Symposium for Young Combinatorists, Taiwan

**2010** Scholarship of Mr. Dun-Fu Hu, NTU

**2005–2008** Excellent student scholarship, NTNU

## COMMUNITY SERVICES

**Assistant Conference Coordinator** of 21th International Linear Algebra Society Conference, 2017.

**Referee** for *Linear Algebra and its Applications*, *Journal of Combinatorial Optimization*, *Discrete Optimization*, *Special Matrices*, and *Discrete Applied Mathematics*, etc.

## COMPUTER SKILLS

Python, Sage, Linux,  $\text{\LaTeX}$  and TikZ

## PUBLICATIONS

### APPEARED/ACCEPTED

16. F. H. J. Kenter and J. C.-H. Lin. On the error of a priori sampling: Zero forcing sets and propagation time. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.laa.2018.03.031>. (to appear in *Linear Algebra Appl.*).
15. J. C.-H. Lin. Zero forcing number, Grundy domination number, and their variants. *Linear Algebra Appl.*, 563:240–254, 2018.
14. R. Anderson, S. Bai, F. Barrera-Cruz, É. Czabarka, G. Da Lozzo, N. L. F. Hobson, J. C.-H. Lin, A. Mohr, H. C. Smith, L. A. Székely, and H. Whitlatch. Analogies between the crossing number and the tangle crossing number. *Electron. J. Combin.*, 25:P4.24, 2018.
13. G. Aalipour, A. Abiad, Z. Berikkyzy, L. Hogben, F. H. J. Kenter, J. C.-H. Lin, and M. Tait. Proof of a conjecture of Graham and Lovász concerning unimodality of coefficients of the distance characteristic polynomial of a tree. *Electron. J. Linear Algebra*, 34:373–380, 2018.
12. J. C.-H. Lin, D. D. Olesky, and P. van den Driessche. Sign patterns requiring a unique inertia. *Linear Algebra Appl.*, 546:67–85, 2018.
11. W. Barrett, S. M. Fallat, H. T. Hall, L. Hogben, J. C.-H. Lin, and B. Shader. Generalizations of the Strong Arnold Property and the minimum number of distinct eigenvalues of a graph. *Electron. J. Combin.*, 24:P2.40, 2017.
10. A. Berliner, C. Bozeman, S. Butler, M. Catral, L. Hogben, B. Kroschel, J. C.-H. Lin, N. Warnberg, and M. Young. Zero forcing propagation time on oriented graphs. *Discrete Appl. Math.*, 224:45–59, 2017.
9. M. Dairyko, L. Hogben, J. C.-H. Lin, J. Lockhart, D. Roberson, S. Severini, and M. Young. Note on von Neumann and Rényi entropies of a graph. *Linear Algebra Appl.*, 521:240–253, 2017.
8. J. C.-H. Lin. Using a new zero forcing process to guarantee the Strong Arnold Property. *Linear Algebra Appl.*, 507:229–250, 2016.
7. S. Butler, C. Erickson, L. Hogben, K. Hogenson, L. Kramer, R. L. Kramer, J. C.-H. Lin, R. R. Martin, D. Stolee, N. Warnberg, and M. Young. Rainbow arithmetic progressions. *J. Comb.*, 7:595–626, 2016.
6. G. Aalipour, A. Abiad, Z. Berikkyzy, J. Cummings, J. De Silva, W. Gao, K. Heyse, L. Hogben, F. H. J. Kenter, J. C.-H. Lin, and M. Tait. On the distance spectra of graphs. *Linear Algebra Appl.*, 497:66–87, 2016.
5. J. C.-H. Lin. Odd cycle zero forcing parameters and the minimum rank of graph blowups. *Electron. J. Linear Algebra*, 31:42–59, 2016.
4. C. Bozeman, A. Ellsworth, L. Hogben, J. C.-H. Lin, G. Maurer, K. Nowak, A. Rodriguez, and J. Strickland. Minimum rank of graphs with loops. *Electron. J. Linear Algebra*, 27:907–934, 2014.
3. J. C.-H. Lin. The sieving process and lower bounds for the minimum rank problem. *Congr. Numer.*, 219:73–88, 2014.

2. G. J. Chang and J. C.-H. Lin. Counterexamples to an edge spread question for zero forcing number. *Linear Algebra Appl.*, 446:192–195, 2014.
1. J. C.-H. Lin. Some interpretations and applications of Fuss-Catalan numbers. *ISRN Discrete Math.*, 2011. doi:10.5402/2011/534628.

## SUBMITTED

- a. S. Butler, C. Erickson, S. M. Fallat, H. T. Hall, B. Kroschel, J. C.-H. Lin, B. Shader, N. Warnberg, and B. Yang. Properties of a  $q$ -analogue of zero forcing. <https://arxiv.org/abs/1809.07640>. (under review).
- b. D. Ferrero, M. Flagg, H. T. Hall, L. Hogben, J. C.-H. Lin, S. Meyer, S. Nasserassr, and B. Shader. Rigid linkages and partial zero forcing. <https://arxiv.org/abs/1808.05553>. (under review).
- c. L. Hogben, J. C.-H. Lin, D. D. Olesky, and P. van den Driessche. The sepr-sets of sign patterns. <http://arxiv.org/abs/1807.04874>. (under review).
- d. Y.-J. Cheng and J. C.-H. Lin. On the distance matrices of the CP graphs. <https://arxiv.org/abs/1805.10269>. (under review).
- e. C. A. Alfaro and J. C.-H. Lin. Critical ideals, minimum rank and zero forcing number. <http://arxiv.org/abs/1710.03386>. (under review).
- f. W. Barrett, S. Butler, S. M. Fallat, H. T. Hall, L. Hogben, J. C.-H. Lin, B. Shader, and M. Young. The inverse eigenvalue problem of a graph: Multiplicities and minors. <https://arxiv.org/abs/1708.00064>. (under review).
- g. L. Hogben, J. C.-H. Lin, and M. Young. Multi-part Nordhaus-Gaddum type problems for tree-width, Colin de Verdière type parameters, and Hadwiger number. <http://arxiv.org/abs/1604.08817>. (under review).
- h. G. J. Chang and J. C.-H. Lin. Minimum rank of powers of cycles and trees. (under review).

## PRESENTATIONS

### PLENARY LECTURES

**2017** “Variants of Zero Forcing,” AIM Workshop: Zero forcing and its applications, San Jose, CA.

### INVITED FOR SPECIAL SESSIONS/MINI SYMPOSIA

**2018** “Sign patterns requiring a unique inertia,” Colloquium at National Chiao Tung University, Hsinchu, Taiwan.

**2018** “On the distance matrices of the CP graphs,” Workshop on Combinatorics and Graph Theory, Taipei, Taiwan.

**2018** “Graphs whose distance matrices have the same determinant,” SIAM Conference on Discrete Mathematics, Denver, CO.

**2018** “On the zero forcing process,” Taiwan-Vietnam Workshop on Mathematics, Kaohsiung, Taiwan.

**2018** “Zero forcing process and strong Arnold property,” Discrete Mathematics Seminar at Simon Fraser University, Burnaby, BC, Canada.

**2018** “Zero forcing and its applications,” Science Seminar Series at Brandon University, Brandon, MB, Canada.

**2018** “The inverse eigenvalue problem of a graph: Multiplicities and minors,” Joint Mathematics Meetings, San Diego, CA.

**2017** “General spectral graph theory: The inverse eigenvalue problem of a graph,” Combinatorial Potlatch, Victoria, BC, Canada.

**2017** “Note on von Neumann and Rényi entropies of a graph,” 21th International Linear Algebra Society Conference, Ames, IA.

**2016** “Distance Spectra of Graphs,” AMS Fall Central Sectional Meeting, Minneapolis, MN.

**2016** “Distance Spectra of Graphs,” Symposium for Young Combinatorists, Taichung, Taiwan.

**2016** “Using a new zero forcing process to guarantee the Strong Arnold Property,” 20th International Linear Algebra Society Conference, Leuven, Belgium.

**2016** “Using a new zero forcing process to guarantee the Strong Arnold Property,” AMS Spring Central Sectional Meeting, Fargo, ND.

**2016** “Odd cycle zero forcing parameters and the minimum rank problem,” 47th Southeastern International Conference on Combinatorics, Graph Theory, and Computing, Boca Raton, FL.

**2014** “Reduction identities of the minimum rank on loop graphs,” 19th International Linear Algebra Society Conference (Satellite Conference of International Congress of Mathematicians 2014), Seoul, S. Korea.

#### CONTRIBUTED

**2017** “General spectral graph theory: The inverse eigenvalue problem of a graph,” Annual Meeting of the Taiwan Mathematical Society, Taipei, Taiwan.

**2017** “Note on von Neumann and Rényi entropies of a graph,” Graduate Student Combinatorics Conference, Lawrence, KS.

**2017** “The minimum rank problem on loop graphs,” Joint Mathematics Meetings, Atlanta, GA.

**2016** “Using a new zero forcing process to guarantee the Strong Arnold Property,” Western Canada Linear Algebra Meeting, Winnipeg, MB, Canada.

**2015** “Odd cycle zero forcing parameters and the minimum rank problem,” Connections in Discrete Mathematics, Vancouver, BC, Canada.

**2014** “The sieving process and lower bounds for the minimum rank problem,” 45th Southeastern International Conference on Combinatorics, Graph Theory, and Computing, Boca Raton, FL.

**2011** “Applications of zero forcing number to the minimum rank problem,” Symposium for Young Combinatorists, Taipei, Taiwan.

**2009** “Some combinatorial interpretations and applications of Fuss-Catalan numbers,” Annual Meeting of the Taiwan Mathematical Society, Taipei, Taiwan.

#### WORKSHOPS/PROGRAMS/CONFERENCES

**2018** SIAM Conference on Applied Linear Algebra, Hong Kong.

**2018** Algebraic Graph Theory & Quantum Walks, Waterloo, ON, Canada.

**2018** Coast Combinatorics Conference, Victoria, BC, Canada.

**2017** AMS Mathematics Research Communities on Beyond planarity: Crossing numbers of graphs, Snowbird Resort, UT.

**2017** AIM Workshop: Zero forcing and its applications, San Jose, CA.

**2016** BIRS Focused Research Group: The inverse eigenvalue problem of a graph, Banff, AB, Canada.

**2016** Recent Advances in Linear Algebra and Graph Theory, Chattanooga, TN.

**2016** Networked Life: Celebrating the life and career of Fan Chung and Ron Graham, San Diego, CA.

**2015** Advanced Course on Combinatorial Matrix Theory, Barcelona, Spain.

**2015** Graduate Research Workshop in Combinatorics (GRWC), Ames, IA.

**2014** IMA Workshop: Geometric and enumerative combinatorics, Minneapolis, MN.

**2014** IMA Workshop: Additive and analytic combinatorics, Minneapolis, MN.

**2014** IMA Workshop: Probabilistic and extremal combinatorics, Minneapolis, MN.

**2009** Summer Research Program on Combinatorics, Academia Sinica, Taiwan.

**2004** Asian Pacific Mathematics Olympiad Training Camp, Taiwan.

### **TEACHING EXPERIENCES (Sole Instructor)**

**2018** Topics in Discrete Mathematics: Spectral Graph Theory (UVic)

**2018** Precalculus Mathematics (UVic)

**2017** Calculus for Students in the Social and Biological Sciences (UVic)

**2016** Calculus I (ISU)

### **TEACHING EXPERIENCES AS AN ASSISTANT**

**2017** Enumerative Combinatorics (graduate course taught by Ryan R. Martin)

**2015** Modern Graph Theory (graduate course taught by Michael Young)

**2015** Calculus III

**2015** Calculus for Business and Social Sciences

### **TEACHING WORKSHOPS**

**2017** Faculty Institute of Teaching Summer (one-week workshop organised by Learning and Teaching Centre at UVic)

### **ASSISTANTSHIP**

**2015 Summer** Research assistant, The National Center for Theoretical Sciences, Taipei Office (NCTS/TPE)

**2014 Summer** Research assistant, NCTS/TPE

**2013–2017** Teaching/research assistant, ISU

**2012–2013** Research assistant, NCTS/TPE

**2009–2011** Teaching/research assistant, NTU