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Research interests My research interests lie mainly in extremal combinatorics and probabilistic combinatorics, but I keep my brain open for any interesting math problems.

Positions

Visiting Assistant Professor,	Georgia Institute of Technology
Supervisor: Xiaoyu He	2024 August – present

Postdoctoral Researcher,	Shanghai Center for Mathematical Sciences
Supervisor: Hehui Wu	2022 September – 2024 July

Short-term postdoc,	Max Planck Institute for Mathematics in the Sciences
Supervisor: Raffaella Mulas	2022 May-August

Education

Ph.D. in Mathematics, University of California, San Diego	2016 – 2022
Advisor: Jacques Verstraëte. GPA: 4.00/4.00	

B.S. in Mathematics, Nankai University	2012 – 2016
GPA: 90.41/100	

Exchange Semester, University of California, Berkeley	2014 Fall
GPA: 4.00/4.00	

Preprints

16. Off-diagonal Ramsey number for slowly growing hypergraphs (with S. Mattheus, D. Mubayi and J.Verstraëte)
Submitted. [arxiv](#).

15. On odd covers of cliques and disjoint unions. (with C. Buchanan, A. Clifton, E. Culver, P. Frankl, K. Ozeki, P. Rombach, and M. Yin)
Submitted. [arxiv](#).

14. Random Turán Problems for Hypergraph Expansions. (With S. Spiro)
Submitted. [arxiv](#).

13. Sidorenko Hypergraphs and Random Turán Numbers. (With S. Spiro)
Submitted. [arxiv](#).

12. Random Turán and counting results for general position sets over finite fields. (with Y. Chen, X. Liu, and J. Zeng)
Submitted. [arxiv](#).

11. Random Turán theorem for expansions of spanning subgraphs of tight trees.

Submitted. [arxiv](#).

Publications

10. Turán theorems for even cycles in random hypergraph.

Journal of Combinatorial Theory, Series B 167 (2024): 23–54. [arxiv](#).

9. On asymptotic local Turán problems. (with P. Frankl)

The Moscow Journal of Combinatorics and Number Theory, 2023, 12(4): 273–286. [arxiv](#).

8. On asymptotic packing of convex geometric and ordered graphs. (with E. Surya, and J. Zeng)

Journal of Graph Theory (2023), 1–15. [arxiv](#).

7. Odd Covers of Graphs. (with C. Buchanan, A. Clifton, E. Culver, J. O’Neill, P. Rombach, and M. Yin)

Journal of Graph Theory (2023), 104: 420–439. [arxiv](#).

6. On Turán numbers for disconnected hypergraphs. (with R. Mulas)

Acta Mathematica Hungarica 170, 168–182 (2023). [arxiv](#).

5. On Asymptotic Packing of Geometric Graphs. (with D. Cranston, J. Verstraëte, and A. Wesolek)

Discrete Applied Mathematics 322 (2022): 142–152. [arxiv](#).

4. Maximal independent sets in clique-free graphs. (with X. He, and S. Spiro)

European Journal of Combinatorics 106 (2022): 103575. [arxiv](#).

3. Ramsey Numbers for Non-trivial Berge Cycles. (with J. Verstraëte)

SIAM Journal on Discrete Mathematics 36.1 (2022): 103–113. [arxiv](#).

2. Triangle-free Subgraphs of Hypergraphs. (with S. Spiro, and J. Verstraëte)

Graphs and Combinatorics 37 (2021): 2555–2570. [arxiv](#).

1. Randomized greedy algorithm for independent sets in regular uniform hypergraphs with large girth. (with J. Verstraëte)

Random Structures & Algorithms 59.1 (2021): 79–95. [arxiv](#).

Teaching

As Instructor

at Georgia Institute of Technology:

3012 - Applied Combinatorics	Fall 2024
at Fudan University:	
Graph Theory	Fall 2023
at UCSD	
MATH 20C - Calculus&Analyt Geom/Sci&Engnr	Summer I 2021
As Teaching Assistant at UCSD	
MATH 154 - Discrete Math & Graph Theory	Winter 2022
MATH 154 - Discrete Math & Graph Theory	Winter 2021
MATH 154 - Discrete Math & Graph Theory	Fall 2020
MATH 20E - Vector Calculus	Summer II 2020
MATH 154 - Discrete Math & Graph Theory	Spring 2020
MATH 154 - Discrete Math & Graph Theory	Winter 2020
MATH 170A - Intro Numerical Analys/Linear	Fall 2019
MATH 220C - Complex Analysis	Spring 2019
MATH 18 - Linear Algebra	Spring 2019
MATH 170B - Intro/Numerical Analy/Approxim	Winter 2019
MATH 170A - Intro Numerical Analys/Linear	Fall 2018
MATH 142A - Introduction to Analysis I	Summer I 2018
MATH 184A - Combinatorics	Spring 2018
MATH 184A - Combinatorics	Winter 2018
MATH 184A - Combinatorics	Fall 2017
MATH 20B - Calculus/Science & Engineering	Winter 2017
MATH 20A - Calculus/Science & Engineering	Fall 2016

Service

Served as referee for the following journals:

Journal of Combinatorial Theory Series B, Combinatorica, Random Structures & Algorithms, SIAM Journal of Discrete Mathematics, Journal of Graph Theory, European Journal of combinatorics, Discrete Applied Mathematics, Australasian Journal of Combinatorics, Journal of Combinatorial Optimization, Discrete Mathematics.