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EDUCATION

Sep 2020 – present University of Bristol, UK

PhD, Theory and Algorithms Group Supervised by Dr Christian Konrad

Sep 2016 – Jul 2020 University of Bristol, UK

First Class Honours, Integrated Master's in Mathematics & Computer Science

Jun 2014 – Nov 2015 Taylor's College Sri Hartamas, Malaysia

2A*'s & 2A's, GCE Advanced level (Pre-U)

Aug 2013 – Jun 2014 Lycée Albert Châtelet Saint-Pol-sur-Ternoise, France

B2 level, DELF (language diploma by the French Ministry of Education)

PUBLISHED WORK (peer-reviewed)

APPROX 2022 Space Optimal Vertex Cover in Dynamic Streams

Kheeran K. Naidu and Vihan Shah (student-only)

https://arxiv.org/abs/2209.05623.

APPROX 2021 On Two-Pass Streaming Algorithms for Maximum Bipartite Matching

Christian Konrad and Kheeran K. Naidu

https://arxiv.org/abs/2107.07841.

WORK UNDER SUBMISSION

Maximum Matching via Maximal Matching Queries Christian Konrad, Kheeran K. Naidu and Arun Steward

Improved Weighted Matching in the Sliding Window Model

Cezar-Mihail Alexandru, Pavel Dvorák, Christian Konrad and Kheeran K. Naidu

RESEARCH TALKS (not including publication talks at conferences)

Aug 2022 Sydney Algorithms and Computing Theory Seminar, Australia (online)

I was invited by Dr Seeun William Umboh to present an overview of streaming algorithms

and my recent work on Space Optimal Vertex Cover at their seminar.

Jul 2022 IRIF Algorithms and Complexity Seminar, France

I visited Institut de Recherche en Informatique Fondamentale (IRIF) where I presented an overview of streaming algorithms and my recent work on Space Optimal Vertex Cover at their seminar. I was hosted by Professor Frédéric Magniez and visited Dr Adi Rosén.

Mar 2021 37th British Colloquium for Theoretical Computer Science, UK (online)

I attended and presented my then recent work on Two-Pass Streaming Matchings. This

colloquium is for early-stage researchers in the UK to present their work.

FUNDING & AWARDS

Jan 2021 SIAM Travel Award for SODA21 (from Microsoft Research & Google LLC)

Sep 2020 EPSRC Doctoral Training Partnership Award for Computer Science

PhD funding for full tuition fees, living and travel expenses over 3.5 years.

Apr 2018 University of Bristol PLUS Award

Nov 2017 1st place in University of Bristol Accessibility Hackathon

Sep 2016 **Barry Thomas Scholarship in Computer Science** (from University of Bristol)

A one-off payment for outstanding overseas students.

Jul 2016 Astro Scholarship Award (from Astro Holdings Berhad)

Integrated Master's funding for full tuition fees and living expenses over 4 years.

Jun 2014 Tan Sri Dato' (Dr) Loy Hean Heong Merit (from Taylor's College)

A-level funding for partial tuition fees over 1.5 years.

UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH

Master's Thesis **Probabilistic Machine Learning: Methods of Inference**

Supervised by Dr Carl Henrik Ek.

I studied Gibbs Sampling, Variational Inference (VI) and Stochastic VI (scalable). This turned into a project at Qworky Ltd (see https://github.com/notreallyaperson/unicefWeb).

Bachelor's Project Mathematics of the Rubik's Cube: Finding God's Number of the Pocket Cube

Supervised by Professor Francesco Mezzadri.

I used the Group structure to find mathematical optimisation that greatly sped up naive brute force methods (see https://github.com/kheeran/MATH32200-Project-Pocket-Cube).

ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

Oct 2018 – present **Teaching Assistant at University of Bristol, UK**

I have taught and currently teach Advanced Topics in Theoretical Computer Science,

Advanced Algorithms, and Communication, Complexity and Number Theory.

Jun 2018 – Jul 2020 President and Treasurer at Bristol University Research Society (BURS), UK

I spent two years building up this underperforming society. For more details, visit

https://bristolresearchsoc.github.io/.

NON-ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

Nov 2018 – present Co-Founder and Chief Developer at The Pangean Ltd, UK

I co-founded this online magazine with three others from around the world. Visit

https://thepangean.com for more details.

Dec 2019 – present Director and CTO at Qworky Ltd, UK

I provide technical knowledge on Algorithms and Machine Learning, and I organise an

industry-based seminar. Visit https://www.facebook.com/Qworky/ for details.

Jul 2021 – Nov-2021 Head of Technology at Ma-Kasih, Malaysia

I led the tech team through the high intensity development of this urgently needed platform to connect people in Malaysia who needed help during the pandemic to those

who were willing to help. See the platform at https://makasih.care/.

Jul 2017 – Aug 2017 Internship at Astro Holdings Berhad, Malaysia

I interned in the Product and Technology department at their headquarters during their

shift to a cloud-based system and digitised workplace.

LANGUAGES

English Native proficiency

French Working proficiency (B2 Level, DELF)

Malay Working proficiency