James Harbour

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"Find what you love and let it kill you" — Charles Bukowski

Education

Class of 2025 at the University of Virginia, Mathematics and Computer Science double major

- Completed the undergraduate requirements for mathematics major during high school.
- Completed the UVA mathematics PhD curriculum as a freshman; passed PhD qualifying exams as a freshman.
- Graduate level courses: Machine Learning, Topoloigcal Modular Forms, Operator Algebras, Random Walks on Groups, Functional Analysis, Harmonic Analysis, Complex Analysis, Measure Theory, Differential Topology, Algebraic Topology I & II, Algebraic Geometry, Algebra I & II, Partial Differential Equations,

Mathematics Experience

- 2024 **Vanderbilt Research**, *Visiting researcher under Dr. Jesse Peterson*, studying von Neumann equivalence and deformation/rigidity theory, supported by the *Harrison Award*
- 2024 **Purdue Research**, *Visiting researcher under Dr. Thomas Sinclair*, studying tracial joint spectral measures, type III von Neumann algebras, and biexact groups, supported by the *Ingrassia Grant*
- 2023 **UChicago REU**, Full participant, Studying s-Perimeter and Nonlocal Potential Theory
- 2022 **UVA Research**, I took an intensive one-on-one reading and research course in operator algebras with Dr. Benjamin Hayes. Living expenses were covered by DMS-2000105.

Selected Talks

- 10/23 α -stable Levy Processes and Fractional Laplacians, Random Walks on Groups lecture
- 07/23 Asymptotics of the Fractional s-Perimeter, University of Chicago REU
- 04/23 Maximal rigidity for L^2 -cohomology of Groups and Beyond, UVA Operator Algebras seminar
- 11/22 Index Rigidity for type-II₁ Subfactors, UVA Operator Algebras seminar

Selected Travel

- 01/24 Joint Math Meetings, San Francisco, speaker, supported by AMS undergraduate travel grant
- 10/23 East Coast Operator Algebras Symposium, Purdue University, attendee, supported by NSF grant DMS-2321632
- 10/23 Virginia Operator Theory and Complex Analysis Meeting (VOTCAM), Richmond University, attendee
- 05/23 Noncommutative Geometry and Operator Algebras (NCGOA) Spring Institute, Vanderbilt University, attendee
- 01/23 **Joint Math Meetings**, Boston, attendee, supported by NSF grant DMS-2035183
- 10/22 **East Coast Operator Algebras Symposium**, *Michigan State University*, attendee, supported by NSF grant DMS-2035183
- Thematic Program in p-adic L-functions and Eigenvarieties Undergraduate Workshop, *University of Notre Dame*, participant, supported by NSF grant DMS-1904501

Financial Experience

Quant Education Chair for UVA's Alternative Investment Fund An investment club managing a portfolio of \$60,000 AUM with both systematic and discretionary trading strategies. Rigorous selection process with multiple interviews and a 3% acceptance rate. In my role as Quant Education Chair, I run a seminar on the mathematics behind quantitative finance.

Programming Experience

Proficient In Java, C, C++, Assembly, Python, LaTeX, SageMath, Mathematica. I have also taken courses in cybersecurity, computer architectures, machine learning, and algorithmic economics.