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RESEARCH Broad: Algebraic Geometry, Number Theory, Machine Learning.

INTERESTS Specific: Monodromy Problems, Galois Representations, Active Learning, Rankind Problems, Metric

Embedding

CURRENT POSITION University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan USA

Assistant Professor (Postdoc), Department of Mathematics, initiated September 2016

EDUCATION University of Wisconsin-Madison, Madison, Wisconsin USA

Ph.D., Mathematics, August 2016

Dissertation Topic: "Big Mod ℓ Monodromy of Families of G-Covers"

Advisor: Jordan Ellenberg Minor: Computer Science

University of Waterloo, Waterloo, Ontario Canada

Masters of Mathematics in Pure Mathematics, May 2008 Thesis: "Koblitz's Conjecture for the Drinfeld Module"

Advisors: Yu-Ru Liu and Wentang Kuo

University of Waterloo, Waterloo, Ontario Canada

Bachelors of Mathematics in Pure Mathematics, December 2006

Minor in Combinatorics and Optimization, Graduated with Honors and Distinction

Honors and Awards

NORS AND Math Department TA Teaching Award, UW-Madison, Spring 2014

NSF VIGRE Fellowship recipient, UW-Madison, 2011-2014 University of Waterloo Mike Vangoch Memorial Award, 2006

University of Waterloo, W.T. Tutte Fellow University of Waterloo, Dean's Honours List

PUBLICATIONS

L. Jain, K. Jamieson, R. Nowak, Finite Sample Prediction and Recovery Bounds for Ordinal Embedding in Advances in Neural Information Processing Systems 29, 2016. http://arxiv.org/abs/1606.07081

L. Jain, The Big Mod ℓ Monodromy of Families of G-Covers. Available as PhD Thesis. Currently being prepared for Journal Publication

E. Dummit, R. Harron, L. Jain, R. Pollack, D. Ross, M. Hablicsek, *Explicit computations of Hida families via overconvergent modular symbols*, http://arxiv.org/abs/1510.05795,2015. To Appear in Research in Number Theory

K. Jamieson, L. Jain, C. Fernandez, N. Glattard, R. Nowak, NEXT: A System for Real-World Development, Evaluation, and Application of Active Learning in Advances in Neural Information Processing Systems 28, 2015. http://www.cs.berkeley.edu/~kjamieson/resources/next.pdf
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L. Jain, P. Tzermias, Beukers' integrals and Apéry's recurrences. Journal of Integer Sequences. 8: Issue 1, Article 05.1.1., 2005

J. Holmes, V. Danilov, L. Jain, *Transverse Stability Studies of the SNS Ring*. Proceedings of 2005 Particle Accelerator Conference, Knoxville, Tennessee, 2254-2256, 2005.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE University Level University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan

Instructor - Fall 2016. Instructor for two sections of Math 115, Calculus 1. Responsible for writing quizzes and leading three eighty minute flipped classroom sections.

University of Wisconsin-Madison, Madison, Wisconsin

Teaching Assistant. Led discussion sections, wrote and graded quizzes/homework and held office hours. Received excellent TA evaluations each semester.

Fall 2014, Math 221: Calculus I

Fall 2013, Math 114: Algebra and Trigonometry

Fall 2012, Math 320: Differential Equations and Linear Algebra

Spring 2011-2013, Math 490: NSF sponsored CURL (Collaborative Undergraduate Research Lab)

Fall 2010, Math 221: Calculus I

University of Waterloo, Waterloo, Ontario Canada

Instructor. Taught a three credit class on introductory number theory. Received an excellent teaching evaluation.

Fall 2007, Math 135: Introduction to Algebra and Number Theory

GRADE SCHOOL AND ENRICHMENT

Ida B. Wells High School, San Francisco, California USA

Teacher. Taught a variety of classes as a high school teacher.

San Francisco and Oakland Math Circles, San Francisco, California USA

Teacher. Led a variety of enrichment math classes for high school and middle school students.

University of Wisconsin-Madison Organizer and Instructor Organized the Madison Math Circles from 2011-2014. Also gave several talks on topics ranging from enumerating the ways to make change for a dollar, to facts about platonic solids.

OTHER EMPLOYMENT **Intuit Inc.**, San Diego, CA, 6/2015-9/2015, Data Science Intern with Consumer Tax Group: Responsible for developing and deploying contextual bandits algorithms for segmentation. Also worked on a library for data transformation, manipulation and imputation. Received a company spotlight for my work.

Seventh Harmonic LLC, Madison, WI, 8/2013-Present, Co-Founder: Co-founder and software engineer (seventhharmonic.com). Responsible for developing new products, such as Bee-Line, an Android game.

Oak Ridge National Lab/Spallation Neutron Source, Oak Ridge, TN, 1/2008-4/2008, Intern: Researched instability thresholds at the Spallation Neutron Source particle accelerator. Studied experimental beam data using Matlab and C++ for signal processing and visualization.

Talks

INVITED TALKS

The Monodromy of Hurwitz Spaces, Topology Seminar, University of Wisconsin-Milwauke, Fall 2016

The ℓ-adic monodromy of G-covers, Frontier Seminar, Colorado State University, Fall 2014, Applications of Monodromy to Number Theory, PANTS XXII Fall 2014

CONFERENCE TALKS **Park City Math Institute**, Distance Matrices and Pairwise Comparisons Lightning Talk, June 2016 **Applied Algebra Days**, Ordinal Embeddings, University of Wisconsin-

Madison, April 2016 **Topology Student Workshop**, *Monodromy of Cyclic Covers*, Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta GA, June 2014

Midwest Number Theory Conference for Graduate Students, Cohen Lenstra Heuristics and Monodromy, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, June 2014

Joint Mathematics Meetings, Optimal Control of Piecewise Continuous State Processes, Atlanta, GA, 2005

Canadian Undergraduate Mathematics Conference, Beukers' Integrals and Apry's Recurrences, 2006

OTHER UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-MADISON SEMINAR PRESENTATIONS

Ordinal Embeddings from Pairwise Comparisons, Systems, Information and Learning Seminar, Spring 2016 NEXT: A system for Active Learning Hamlet Seminar, Fall 2015

Monodromy and Hurwitz Schemes, Student Number Theory Seminar, Fall 2014

Hasse Principle, Brauer-Manin Obstructions and del Pezzo surfaces, Student Number Theory Seminar, Fall 2013

Intersection Theory, Algebraic Geometry Seminar, Fall 2012

Counting Cubic Number Fields, Number Theory Seminar, Spring 2012

Divisors and Surfaces, Number Theory Seminar, Fall 2012

Grassmannians as a Moduli Space, Algebraic Geometry Seminar, Fall 2011

Music Hacking, Systems, Information and Learning Seminar, Fall 2011

Ranks of Elliptic Curves, Number Theory Seminar, Fall 2010

OTHER CONFERENCES ATTENDED

International Conference on Machine Learning, New York NY, June 2016

Arizona Winter School on Arithmetic and Higher-Dimensional Varieties, Tucson AZ, March 2015

Graduate Workshop on Moduli of Curves, Simons Center for Geometry and Physics, Stony Brook NY, July 2014

Thin Groups, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor MI, April 2014

Western Algebraic Geometry Symposium, Boulder CO, April 2014

Arizona Winter School on Arithmetic Statistics, Tucson AZ, March 2014

Hot Topics: Perfectoid Spaces and their Applications, Berkeley CA, 2014

New Geometric Techniques Summer Graduate School, Berkeley CA, 2013

Atkin Memorial Lecture and Workshop Cohen-Lenstra Heuristics, Chicago IL, May 2013 Sage Days, 44, Madison, Wisconsin, 2013

Arizona Winter School on Modular Forms, Tucson AZ, 2013

Penn State Göttingen International Summer School on Number Theory, Göttingen, 2012

Arizona Winter School on Ramification and Geometry, Tucson AZ, 2012

Park City Mathematics Institute Graduate Summer School on Moduli Spaces of Riemann Surfaces, Park City UT, June 2011

Arizona Winter School on Stark-Heegner Points, Tucson AZ, 2011

LEADERSHIP ACTIVITIES

Co-Organizer Midwest Number Theory Conference for Graduate Students/Midwest Number Theory Days, 2011, University of Wisconsin-Madison

Co-Organizer Waterloo Symposium in Undergraduate Mathematics, 2007, University of Waterloo, Ontario

SOFTWARE PROJECTS

NEXT System for Active Learning: NEXT (nextml.org) is a real time computational framework and open-source machine learning system that simplifies the deployment and evaluation of active learning algorithms relying on human feedback. Example applications include online class-

sification, bandit problems, and multidimensional scaling. Currently being employed by the *New Yorker* magazine to help choose the winner for their weekly caption contest. Project is advised by Robert Nowak at UW-Madison and was done in close collaboration with Kevin Jamieson at UC-Berkeley.

SAGE: Overconvergent Modular Symbols: Participated in the development of an overconvergent modular symbols library for Sage that explicitly implements work of Pollack and Stevens.

Music Hack Day, Boston Fall 2012: Participated with Jordan Ellenberg and Andrew Bridy. We used statistical information from the Million Song Database to create our own composition. Extended this project to use machine learning algorithms for identifying metrics of when two songs were similar. Won 20th place in a related Kaggle competition.

References

Jordan Ellenberg

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Dan Margalit

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Robert Nowak

Electrical and Computer Engineering UW-Madison Madison, WI 53706 rdnowak@wisc.edu