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#### **Education**

# The University of Texas at Austin

B.S. in Mathematics

August 2017 - December 2020 Austin, Texas

Major: Pure Mathematics
Cumulative GPA: 3.93/4.0
Mathematics GPA: 3.93/4.0

## Research Projects

#### The Geometry of Soergel Bimodules

May 2020 - Present

- Geometric Representation Theory, Homotopy Theory
  - In collaboration with Aaron Mazel-Gee (Caltech) and David Reutter (Max Planck), both postdocs.
  - We are constructing a spectral version of Soergel bimodules and their braid group actions, using the formalism of spherical functors.

# Abelian Duality in Topological Field Theory

August 2020 - December 2020

- Mathematical Physics
  - Senior thesis with Professor Dan Freed.
  - I prove electromagnetic duality for finite abelian gauge groups as equivalences of topological field theories (up to tensoring with an invertible TFT), following [FT].
  - See here.

#### **Organizations**

#### S-Duality and Geometric Langlands

September 2020 - December 2020

Organizer

- Organized a seminar about S-duality in 4D supersymmetric gauge theories and the connection to the geometric Langlands program.
- Responsible for scheduling talks and inviting speakers.

#### UT Mathematics Club

January 2018 - May 2020

President 2019-2020, Vice President 2018-2019

- Organized weekly meetings, contacted professors, and scheduled lectures.
- Organizer for MUST, a platform for undergraduate mathematics students to practice their lecture skills.
- Created GRE and LaTex workshops.

### Homotopy Type Theory Class

January 2020 - May 2020

Organizer

- Created joint CS-mathematics course on Homotopy Type Theory.

### Sunday Morning Math Group

January 2020 - May 2020

Volunteer

- An UT outreach program aimed to encourage K-12 students to pursue STEM in college and beyond.

## **Conference & Summer Programs**

Tensor Categories and Topological Quantum Field Theories

March 2020

MSRI, moved online

 $(\infty, n)$ -Categories, Factorization Homology, and Algebraic K-Theory

March 2020

MSRI, moved online

•	Summer School on Homological Algebra in Mirror Symmetry Fields Institute, Toronto	August 2019
•	Park City Mathematics Institute: QFT and Manifold Invariants  Park City, Utah	July 2019
•	Arizona Winter School: Topology and Arithmetic University of Arizona, Arizona	March 2019
•	Texas Algebraic Geometry Symposium UT Austin, Texas	February 2019
•	Between Topology and Quantum Field Theory UT Austin, Texas	January 2019
•	Texas Algebraic Geometry Symposium $Texas A \& M, Texas$	November 2018

# **Honors and Awards**

Emory and Ella Peterson Endowed Presidential Scholarship $UT\ Austin$	April 2020
$ \begin{array}{l} \textbf{Jennifer T. Barrett Undergraduate Scholarship} \\ \textbf{\textit{UT Austin}} \end{array} $	September 2019
• UT Distinguished College Scholar • UT Austin	August 2018- May 2020

# Selected Talks Given

Fourier Theory and Categorification  Junior Geometry	November 2020
Abelian Dualities in Topological Field Theory  Junior Geometry and String Theory	November 2019
EM Duality in N=4 SUSY Yang-Mills  EM duality and Geometric Langlands Seminar	October 2020
Electromagnetic Duality and Magnetic Monopoles  Junior Geometry and String Theory Seminar	September 2020
Representation Theory in Physics: Classification of Particles in QFT $Junior\ Geometry$	April 2020
Renormalization of Perturbative Quantum Field Theories  Junior Geometry and String Theory Seminar	February 2020
Spontaneously Broken Symmetry and Higgs Mechanism  Opposition of QFT Seminar	February 2020
Line Bundles and Divisor Correspondence  Junior Algebraic Geometry Seminar	February 2020
Proof of the Triangulation Conjecture  * Triangulation Conjecture Seminar	November 2019
T-duality on 2D Sigma Models  Junior Geometry and String Theory Seminar	November 2019
Seibert-Witten Equation and the Coulomb Gauge  *Triangulation Conjecture Seminar	October 2019
Topological Hochschild Homology and Applications to Arithmetic Geometry  *Directed Reading Program*	May 2019
2-shifted Symplectic Structure on the Derived Stack of Perfect Complexes  • Derived Algebraic Geometry Seminar	May 2019
Shifted Symplectic Structure on Intersections of Lagrangians  Derived Algebraic Geometry Seminar	April 2019

• Bauer-Furuta Invariants Furuta 10/8 Seminar	April 2019
$A_{\infty}$ categories and derived Fukaya categories Floer Lagrangian Seminar	March 2019
Introduction to Morse Theory via Pictures $UT\ Math\ Club$	February 2019
Finite Dimensional Approximations to the Monopole Map Furuta 10/8 Seminar	February 2019
• 27 Lines UT Math Club	February 2018
Elliptic Curves are Group Schemes  Directed Reading Program	November 2017
Bezout's Theorem  * UT Math Club	October 2017