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RESEARCH INTERESTS Geometric group theory, low-dimensional topology, Polish groups and their geometric, topological, and algebraic structure

EDUCATION

University of Utah
Salt Lake City, Utah, USA
Ph.D. candidate in Mathematics August 2020–
Advisor: Mladen Bestvina

University of Cambridge
Cambridge, United Kingdom
Master of Advanced Study (MASt) in Pure Mathematics July 2019

College of William & Mary
Williamsburg, Virginia, USA
B.S. in Mathematics (Honors) and Physics (Honors) May 2017
Summa cum laude; GPA 4.0/4.0

PUBLICATIONS

“Ivanov’s theorem for infinite graphs”
In preparation. (Joint work with T. Hill, R. Rechkin, G. Shaji and B. Udall)

“The asymptotic dimension of the grand arc graph is infinite”
In peer review. arXiv:2402.03603 (2024).

“Multiarc and curve graphs are hierarchically hyperbolic”
In peer review. arXiv:2311.04356 (2023).

“Prescribed arc graphs”
In peer review. arXiv:2305.05316 (2023).

“Maximum average degree and relaxed coloring”
Discrete Mathematics **340** (2017) 2528–2530. *(Joint work with G. Yu)*

HONORS & AWARDS

NSF Research and Training Grant Fellowship (U. of Utah) 2020–22, 2025
NSF Research and Training Grant Summer Fellowship (U. of Utah) 2022, 2023
Early-career AMS–NSF–Simons–ICM Travel Grant & Kovalevskaya Grant Jan 2022
Fulbright Scholar (Research, Switzerland) Mar 2017
Swiss Government Excellence Scholarship Mar 2017
William & Mary Prize in Mathematics May 2017
Phi Beta Kappa Dec 2016
Outstanding Presentation Award, Joint Mathematics Meeting Jan 2016
William & Mary James Monroe Scholar Dec 2015
William & Mary NSF EXTREEMS-QED recipient May 2015

SELECTED TALKS

“Asymptotic dimension bounds for surface combinatorial models” (poster) Apr 2024
Young Geometric Group Theorists XII, Bristol

“Multiarc and curve graphs are classified by their witnesses” Feb 2024
Geometric Topology Grad and Postdoc Seminar (GT GAPS)

“Multiarc and curve graphs are hierarchially hyperbolic” Dec 2023
Max Dehn Seminar, University of Utah

	“Prescribed arc graphs” (lightning talk) Group Actions and Low-Dimensional Topology, El Barco de Ávila, Spain	July 2023
	“Pseudo-Anosovs of surfaces via stable laminations” (minicourse) Learning seminar for <i>Groups acting on fractals</i> trimester program Institut Henri Poincaré, Paris	Apr 2022
	“Katok’s paradoxical foliation” University of Utah Stallings Seminar	Oct 2021
	“Folding graphs and groups” University of Utah Stallings Seminar	Feb 2021
	“Gromov hyperbolicity and the Gromov boundary” University of Utah Stallings Seminar	Sep 2020
	“A general basis for finitely supported G -equivariant maps” University of Cambridge Part III Seminar Series	Nov 2018
	“Metasurface-based spin-selective optical cavity” University of Washington Institute of Nuclear Theory REU	Aug 2016
	“Relaxed coloring of sparse graphs” George Washington University EXTREEMS-QED Conference	Apr 2016
	“Improper $(1, 1, 0)$ -coloring of sparse graphs” William & Mary EXTREEMS-QED Program Seminar	June 2015
PART III ESSAY	“Combinatorial Morse Theory” Assessor: Henry Wilton University of Cambridge	May 2019
HONORS THESES	“Relaxed coloring of sparse graphs” Mathematics, Advisor: Gexin Yu College of William & Mary	Dec 2016
	“Holographic non-perturbative thermodynamic systems” Physics, Advisor: Joshua Erlich College of William & Mary	May 2017
PRIOR RESEARCH EXPERIENCE	École Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne , Lausanne, Switzerland Field and Strings Laboratory, Institute of Physics <i>Fulbright researcher, 1 year</i> Advisor: João Penedones	2017–2018
	College of William & Mary , Williamsburg, Virginia, USA William & Mary Graph Theory Group, Department of Mathematics <i>Undergraduate researcher, 21 months</i> Advisor: Gexin Yu	2015–2017
	William & Mary High Energy Theory Group, Department of Physics <i>Undergraduate researcher, 17 months</i> Advisor: Joshua Erlich	2016–2017

CONFERENCE ABSTRACTS	Kopreski, M., Zhan, A., and Majumdar, A., “Metasurface-based spin-selective optical cavity”. Frontiers in Optics, Optical Society of America and American Physical Society Division of Laser Science, Rochester, NY. <i>Poster</i> .	Oct 2016
	Kopreski, M., “Relaxed coloring of sparse graphs”. Joint Mathematics Meeting, American Mathematical Society and Mathematical Association of America, Seattle, WA. <i>Abstracts for the MAA Undergraduate Poster Session, abstract 134, page 41.</i>	Jan 2016
SERVICE & OUTREACH	U. of Utah Association for Women in Math. , <i>Outreach chair</i> Organized and facilitated a seminar exploring techniques relevant to the Madsen–Weiss theorem and several extensions.	AY 2024–25
	BRIDGES , <i>Teaching Assistant</i> Facilitated exercise sessions for Kim Ruane’s minicourse in geometric group theory and hyperbolic groups.	July 2024
	Young Geometric Group Theorists XII , <i>Discussion session leader</i> Lectured in and facilitated a discussion session introducing mapping class groups of surfaces and relevant techniques.	April 2024
	Madsen–Weiss Reading Seminar , <i>Organizer, speaker</i> Organized and facilitated a seminar exploring techniques relevant to the Madsen–Weiss theorem and several extensions.	Spring 2024
	Geometric Topology Learning Seminar , <i>Organizer, speaker</i> Presented weekly lectures on the theory of geodesic laminations on surfaces and the Nielsen-Thurston classification.	Fall 2022
	University of Cambridge STIMULUS , <i>Volunteer</i> Prepared and facilitated a weekly afterschool <i>Code Club</i> program for primary school students.	Spring 2019
TEACHING	University of Utah Math 1320 Engineering Calculus II (<i>Instructor</i>)	Spring 2024
	Math 3140 Vector Calculus and PDEs for Engineers (<i>Lab TA</i>)	Spring 2023
	Math 1320 Engineering Calculus II (<i>Instructor</i>)	Fall 2022
	Math 1060 Trigonometry (<i>Instructor</i>)	Fall 2021
	Math 1320 Engineering Calculus II (<i>Lab TA</i>)	Spring 2021