XINRUI JIA

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EDUCATION

École Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne (EPFL)

09.2018 - Present

PhD candidate, Computer Science, Theory of Computation Lab

Lausanne, Switzerland

Research: Clustering, discrete optimization, approximation algorithms.

University of Waterloo

09.2014 - 06.2018

Bachelor of Mathematics, with Distinction - Dean's Honours List $\,$

Waterloo, Canada

Majors: Combinatorics and Optimization, Pure Mathematics

WORK EXPERIENCE

Private Tutor

AI/ML Intern, Apple Inc.

06.2021 - 12.2021

Applied research in optimization on Machine Learning Platform and Technologies team.

Zurich/Heidelberg (remote)

Teaching Assistant, EPFL

02.2019 - 07.2021

Lausanne, Switzerland

Conducted exercise sessions for the classes Theory of Computation and Algorithms. Held head TA position, responsible for coordinating teaching duties

and communication between professor and team of student TAs.

Tutoring through video conferencing of University of Waterloo classes:

06.2020 - 05.2021 Remote

Analysis, Intro to Optimization, Intro to Combinatorics, Graph Theory.

Backend Application Developer, HAA Analytics

05.2015 - 08.2015 Toronto, Canada

Used Python, NumPy, Pandas, SQL to build reinsurance analytics web app at start-up. Collaborated with team of 6 programmers in every part of software development cycle. Product successfully demoed 3 months into internship.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Research Intern, EPFL Discrete Optimization Lab

01.2017 - 04.2017

Made improvements to guarantees for two algorithms for maximum dispersion problem and explored applications to image recognition. Presented results with visualizations made using PyGame.

Lausanne, Switzerland

Research Intern, Univ. of Waterloo

05.2016 - 08.2016

Implemented key-exchange protocol using C++ and SageMath. Developed a cryptanalysis for proposed post-quantum Diffie-Hellman key-exchange protocol.

Waterloo, Canada

PROGRAMMING LANGUAGES

Experience with Python, Scheme, Java, C/C++, Matlab, SQL.

LANGUAGES

English: Native. French: Intermediate.

PUBLICATIONS

- 1. Xinrui Jia, Lars Rohwedder, Kshiteej Sheth, and Ola Svensson. Towards Non-Uniform k-Center with Constant Types of Radii. In *Symposium on Simplicity in Algorithms* (SOSA 2022).
- 2. Buddhima Gamlath, Xinrui Jia, Adam Polak, and Ola Svensson. Nearly-tight and Oblivious Algorithms for Explainable Clustering. In *Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems* (NeurIPS 2021).
- 3. Xinrui Jia, Kshiteej Sheth, and Ola Svensson. Fair Colorful k-Center Clustering. In *Proceedings of the 21st International Conference on Integer Programming and Combinatorial Optimization* (IPCO 2020).