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RESEARCH INTERESTS	Geometric group theory, mapping class groups, group cohomology.	
EMPLOYMENT	**Max Planck Institute for Mathematics**	Bonn, Germany
	Mentor: Ursula Hamenstädt	08/2025-
EDUCATION	**University of Notre Dame**	South Bend, IN
	Ph.D. in Mathematics	08/2020- 05/2025
	Advisor: Andrew Putman	
	Peking University	Bejing, China
	B.S. in Mathematics	07/2020

PAPERS		
	1. *Prym Representations and Twisted Cohomology of the Mapping Class Group with Level Structures.* To appear in Geometry and Topology.	arXiv: 2401.13869
	2. *Linear representations of the mapping class group of dimension at most 3g-3.* Joint with Julian Kaufmann, Nick Salter, and Zhong Zhang. Preprint.	arXiv: 2507.11365

INVITED TALKS	*Prym Representations and Twisted Cohomology of the Mapping Class Group with Level Structures.*	
	Conference on Discrete Groups in Topology and Algebraic Geometry at the University of Notre Dame	06/2025
	Workshop on the mapping class group in Tokyo	05/2025
	58th Spring Topology and Dynamics Conference	03/2025
	AMS Special Session on "Cohomology of Arithmetic Groups, Mapping Class Groups, and Moduli Spaces"	01/2025
	Geometry and Topology Research Seminar at Georgia Tech	11/2024
	Topology Students Workshop at Vanderbilt University	06/2024
	Notre Dame Graduate Student Seminar	02/2024

EXPOSITORY TALKS	*The Teichmüller Space of a Surface*	
	Notre Dame Graduate Student Seminar	03/2023
	Mini-course (4 talks) on *Homological Stability of Mapping Class Groups*	
	Notre Dame Graduate Student Topology Seminar	09/2022
	Applications of PL Morse theory on finiteness properties of groups	
	Notre Dame Graduate Student Topology Seminar	12/2021
	Correspondence between groups and actions on trees	
	Notre Dame Graduate Student Topology Seminar	11/2020
SEMINARS ORGANIZED	Notre Dame Graduate Student Topology Seminar	Fall 2022
TEACHING EXPERIENCE	Teaching Assistant, Linear Algebra and Differential Equations	Spring 2025
	Instructor, Calculus A	Fall 2023
	Teaching Assistant, Calculus III	Spring 2023
	Teaching Assistant, Calculus II	Fall 2022
	Teaching Assistant, Calculus III	Spring 2022
	Teaching Assistant, Calculus A	Fall 2021
	Teaching Assistant, Mathematical Analysis II (Peking University)	Spring 2020
	Teaching Assistant, Mathematical Analysis I (Peking University)	Fall 2019
UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH EXPERIENCE	*The image of the Johnson homomorphism for all compact surfaces*	Summer 2019
	Summer project at University of Oklahoma	
	Advised by Prof. Justin Malestein	
AWARDS	The Richard Sady Dissertation Prize	2025
	Honorable Mention in Alibaba Global Mathematics Competition	2022
	Undergraduate Research Fellowship at Peking University	2020
	Academic Scholarship at Peking University	2016-2019