

# Zhi-Feng Wei

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## CONTACT INFORMATION

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## INTERESTS

Random Walk on Graphs, Spectral Graph Theory, Network Science.

## EDUCATION

### Department of Mathematics, Indiana University (IU)

**Ph.D. in Mathematics** (expected May 2024)

- Advisor: Prof. Russell Lyons
- Minor in Statistics

### School of Mathematical Sciences, Beijing Normal University (BNU)

**M.S. in Mathematics**, June 2018

- Advisor: Prof. Mu-Fa Chen
- Graduation with Honor: Excellence Award from Beijing City & BNU

### Beijing International Center for Mathematical Research, Peking University

Visiting Student, 7<sup>th</sup> Enhanced Program for Graduate Study, 2015 Spring Semester  
Courses: Spectral Theory of Linear Operators, Differential Manifold

### Cuiying Honors College, Lanzhou University (LZU)

**B.S. Cum Laude in Mathematics**, June 2015

- Advisor: Prof. Heping Zhang

## EMPLOYMENT

2023 Summer      Research Intern, **Oak Ridge National Lab.**  
2018 – present    Teaching/Research Assistant, **IU Math Department.**

## PUBLICATIONS & PREPRINTS

- (1) **Zhi-Feng Wei**, *Sharp Bounds on Eigenvalues via Spectral Embedding Based on Signless Laplacians*, **J. Funct. Anal.**, Vol. 284, No. 5 (2023), Article 109799.
- (2) **Zhi-Feng Wei and Pablo Moriano**, *Recovering Cluster Structure using Graph Embedding in Perturbed Networks*, in preparation.
- (3) **Zhi-Feng Wei**, *Inverse Problems for Ergodicity of Markov Chains*, **J. Math. Anal. Appl.**, Vol. 505, No. 2 (2022), Article 125483.
- (4) **Zhi-Feng Wei and Heping Zhang**, *Number of Matchings of Low Order in  $(4,6)$ -Fullerene Graphs*, **MATCH Commun. Math. Comput. Chem.**, Vol. 77, No. 3 (2017), 707–724.

## INVITED TALKS

- (1) *Spectral Embedding, Signless Laplacian, and Random Walk Convergence*,  
Invited by Prof. S. Liu, University of Science and Technology of China, Sept 2023.
- (2) *Sharp Bound on Return Probabilities via Spectral Embedding Method*,  
Grad Student Probability Conference, University of Wisconsin, Sept 2022.
- (3) *Bound Return Probabilities via Spectral Embedding Method*,  
20<sup>th</sup> Northeast Probability Seminar, CUNY (Zoom talk), Nov 2021.

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| AWARDS                   | 2023  | <b>Mathematical Sciences Grad Intern Fellowship, NSF</b><br>Awarded by the National Science Foundation to support my intern at Oak Ridge National Lab.               |
|                          | 2023  | <b>Lawrence M. Blatt Biotech Internship Fund, IU</b>   |
|                          | 2019  | <b>James Williams Memorial Award, IU Math Department</b><br>Recognizing excellence in academic performance for top 1st-year graduate students in IU Math Department. |
|                          | 2018  | <b>Anna L. Homquest Fellowship, IU</b>   |
|                          | 2016  | <b>National Merit Scholarship of China for Grad Students</b>   |
|                          | 2016  | <b>Excellent Teaching Assistant Award, BNU</b>   |
|                          | 2014  | <b>Cuiying Student Innovation Fund, LZU</b><br>Supporting undergraduate research for honors students at LZU.   |
|                          | 2014  | <b>Outstanding Student Scholarship, LZU</b>  |
|                          | 2012  | <b>Outstanding Student Scholarship, LZU</b>  |
|                          | 2012  | <b>Scholarship for Outstanding Mathematics Majors, LZU</b>   |
| TEACHING                 | 2023 Spring   | <b>Assisting</b> , Math-M118: Finite Mathematics   |
|                          | 2022 Fall   | <b>Teaching</b> , Math-M018: Basic Algebra for Finite Math   |
|                          | 2022 Summer   | Preparation Session for Math PhD Qualifying Exam in Analysis   |
|                          | 2021 Fall   | <b>Recitation</b> , Math-M211: Calculus I  |
|                          | 2021 Summer   | Preparation Session for Math PhD Qualifying Exam in Analysis   |
|                          | 2021 Spring   | <b>Recitation</b> , Math-M106: Mathematics of Decision and Beauty  |
|                          | 2020 Fall   | <b>Grading</b> , Math-M463: Intro to Probability Theory I  |
|                          | 2020 Spring   | <b>Grading</b> , Math-M464: Intro to Probability Theory II   |
|                          | 2019 Fall   | <b>Grading</b> , Math-M463: Intro to Probability Theory I  |
|                          | 2019 Summer   | <b>Assisting</b> , Math-M106: Mathematics of Decision and Beauty   |
|                          | 2018 Fall   | <b>Grading</b> , Math-M365: Intro to Probability and Statistics  |
|                          | 2016 Fall   | <b>Assisting</b> , Linear Algebra (BNU)  |
| LANGUAGES                | Chinese (Native), English (Fluent), French (Elementary)                       |  |
| SKILLS                   | C++, Python, $\text{\TeX}$ , High-Performance Computing (HPC), Mathematica, R |  |
| PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATION | American Mathematical Society   |  |