#### MONTE MAHLUM

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#### **EDUCATION**

University of Minnesota

Fall 2024 -

M.Sc. in Mathematics

McGill University

2020 - 2024

B.S. in Mathematics, Minor in Physics

Current GPA: 3.40

Charles University (Universita Karlova)

Local GPA: "Excellent"

Semester Abroad Notable Courses

14+ At honours level

Time Series Analysis

Deterministic Chaos

Honours PDEs

Honours Algebra III (Groups, Rings, Modules)

Honours Analysis III, IV (Measure Theory, Functional Analysis)

Introduction to Lie Group Theory

Theory of Groups and Algebras for Particle Physics

General Theory of Relativity

Honours Quantum Physics I, II

Advanced Concepts In Symmetry

Expected:

Honours Differential Geometry

Honours Groups, Tilings, and Algorithms

Introduction to Stochastic Processes

### **EXPERIENCE**

Research Assistant, University of Minnesota, Twin Cities

July 2023 -

Mathematics research investigating convexity and convergence of a novel particle method developed by W. Lee, L. Wang, W. Li for high dimensional Wasserstein gradient flow equations. This role has come with great freedom allowing me to develop my independent research skills and learn to synthesize many different results into a unified framework. For reference, contact Professor Li Wang (email below).

#### RELEVANT EMPLOYMENT

## Calculus, Probability, and Linear Algebra Tutor, Freelance

November 2023 -

Beginning in December 2023, tutored at Concordia University for a first-year linear algebra course (also covering elements of probability theory). In 2024, tutoring for Concordia's Calculus I course. Learning to explain abstract concepts to people who are unaccustomed to this way of thinking. Working to frame the material in an intriguing and inviting way.

Calculus Tutor, Jewish Academic Student Support

September 2022 - December 2022

Tutored for Calculus I course at a Quebec college (CEGEP). Developed important mathematical teaching skills and worked to find creative ways for the student to stay engaged when confronted with confusion. For reference, contact Micheal Calkhoun at micheal@jasstutors.com. Wilderness Tripping

Guide, YMCA Camp Widjiwagan

May 2022 - August 2022,

Led groups of four to six on extended backpacking and canoeing

May 2021 – August 2021

trips for one to two weeks. The age range of the campers varied on each trip, but was often between

12 and 16. Developed many important skills regarding communication, teaching/mentorship, and risk management. Most importantly, learned to lead a team of people to accomplish a common goal. For reference, please contact karen.pick@ymcamn.org.

# **PROJECTS**

## Directed Reading Program

January 2024 -

Paired with McGill Ph.D. student Alexis Leroux-Lapierre, math.mcgill.ca/alapierre, for a semester-long mentorship. Began by studying the basics of representation theory, categorification, and knot invariants and the program will finish with an individual write-up of the covered material. There will also be regular meetings with Professor Yvan Saint-Aubin (UdeM), Assistant Professor Iva Halacheva (Northeastern), Postdoc Chris Raymond (ULaval) and others to discuss open problems first surrounding Heisenberg categorification and Fock space representation.

Fibrations Podcast September 2022 –

Season 1 explores the academic research being conducted at McGill University. Consists of five episodes interviewing researchers in five different fields. Listen at spotify.com/fibrations.

### Lecture on Lie Theory With Applications to Quantum Physics

June 2023

Notes from a lecture given as the final presentation for a Charles University physics course, Advanced Concepts in Symmetry. monte-mahlum.github.io/lie-theory.

### 25-Hour McGill Physics Hackathon

October 2022

In a team of two, different numerical solutions to the Laplace Equation with fixed boundary conditions on the unit disc in  $\mathbb{R}^2$  were explored and visualized. A novel numerical method was developed. Project submission can be viewed here.

### **LANGUAGES**

English

First

Spanish

2014 -

Taken for seven years throughout secondary education. Current level of proficiency is conversational.

#### **SKILLS**

# **Programming Languages**

Proficiency in Python, and Latex

Other

Jiu jitsu (since 2021), drums (since 2022), piano (since 2020).

#### ACADEMIC REFERENCES

Professor Li Wang, University of Minnesota, liwang@umn.edu

Affiliation: research advisor.

Professor Josef Malek, Charles University, malek@karlin.mff.cuni.cz

Affiliation: Functional Analysis course instructor.

Professor Peter Grutter, McGill University, peter.grutter@mcgill.ca

Affiliation: Thermal Physics course instructor, podcast guest.