Victor Zhang

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Research interests

Diagrammatic categories and algebras: The Lusztig-Vogan categories, module categories over Soergel bimodules, quantum knot invariants from braided tensor categories.

Representation theory: Representations of (real) Lie groups; Representations of S_n in characteristic p.

EDUCATION

University of New South Wales

Sydney, Australia

Ph.D. Mathematics

Feb. 2024 - Aug. 2027 (ongoing)

- Supervisors: Anna Romanov (primary) and Pinhas Grossman (secondary).
- Topic: Diagrammatic Lusztig-Vogan Categories.
- First candidature assessment passed.

University of New South Wales

Sydney, Australia

B.Sc. (Hons) Advanced Mathematics (First Class Honours)/B.Sc. Computer Science

Feb. 2019 - Dec. 2023

- Supervisors: Anna Romanov (primary) and Arnaud Brothier (secondary).
- Thesis Title: Diagrammatic Categories in Representation Theory.

Publications and Preprints

Big data comparison of quantum invariants

2025

with Daniel Tubbenhauer, arXiv:2503.15810 (submitted).

TEACHING

University of New South Wales

Sydney, Australia

- Tutor, Mathematics 1A (2024 T1, 2025 T1).
- Tutor, Discrete Mathematics (2024 T2, 2024 T3).
- Drop-in centre tutor, First year mathematics (2023 T3 ongoing).
- Exam Invigilator, First year mathematics (2024 T1, 2024 T2).
- Assessment Marker, First year mathematics (2025 T1).

University of Sydney

Sydney, Australia

• Teaching Assistant, Models of Computation (2023 S2).

RESEARCH TALKS	
The LV-category (and LV-module) for $SU(n,1)$, $n \ge 1$ Math. Research Group Meetings; University of New South Wales.	May 2025
Graph colouring, $SO(3)$ webs and the $B1$ invariant $PhD/Masters\ seminar;\ University\ of\ New\ South\ Wales.$	Mar. 2025
The Diagrammatic Lusztig-Vogan category for $SL(2, \mathbb{R})$ Australian Mathematical Sciences Students Conference; University of Western Sydney.	Dec. 2024
The Diagrammatic Lusztig-Vogan category for $SL(2, \mathbb{R})$ Math. Research Group Meetings; University of New South Wales.	Oct. 2024
Seminar Talks	
Representations of S_n in characteristic p and the basic representation of \mathfrak{sl}_p One Tree Island Workshop in Representation Theory.	Aug. 2024
Real Forms of Lie Groups	Apr. 2024

Math. Research Group Meetings; University of New South Wales.

Drawing Monoidal Categories

Mar. 2024

Tensor Categories Learning Seminar; University of Sydney.

Conferences

Representation Theory Down Under University of Sydney	Jun. 2025
Australian Mathematical Sciences Students Conference University of Western Sydney	Dec. 2024
One Tree Island Workshop in Representation Theory One Tree Island, Queensland, Australia	Aug. 2024
UNSW Mathematics Postgraduate Conference University of New South Wales	Aug. 2024
Categorification in Representation Theory University of Sydney	Feb. 2023
Service	

Organising: UNSW Math. Research Group Shut-up and Write.

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Computer Algebra Systems: GAP, MAGMA, Maple, Mathematica/Wolframscript, Maxima, SageMath. General programming: Bash, C, Haskell, Java, Javascript, Python, R, Rust, SQL.