# Zhengyu (Byron) Zou

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### **EDUCATION**

**Brown University, Providence, RI** — Sc.B. in Mathematics, Sc.B. in Applied Mathematics & Computer Science **GPA:** 4.0/4.0 | Expected Graduation: May 2026

- Current Courses ("G" indicates graduate level classes): Algebra II (G), Algebraic Topology II (G), Differential Geometry (G), Algebraic Geometry (G)
- Relevant Courses: Algebra I (G), Algebraic Topology I (G), Manifolds (G), Galois & Representation Theory, Matroid Theory, Real & Complex Analysis, Abstract Algebra, Partial & Ordinary Differential Equations, Graph Theory, Convex Analysis & Optimization (G), Stochastic Calculus, Statistical Inference (G), Data Structures & Algorithms, Theory of Computation, Algorithmic Machine Learning

McCallie School, Chattanooga, TN — Cum Laude Graduate

**GPA** 4.26/4.30 | *Graduated*: Class of 2022

# RESEARCH/TEACHING EXPERIENCE

## Brown University Department of Mathematics, Undergraduate Researcher

June 2024 – December 2024

- Advised by *Prof. Richard Schwartz*
- Conducting research on the geometry of twisted polygons with compact nondegenerate orbits under pentagram map variants (projective geometry, discrete integrable dynamic systems). Paper preprint: <a href="https://arxiv.org/abs/2412.15561">https://arxiv.org/abs/2412.15561</a>
- Developed an online simulation using JavaScript and SageMath to visualize pentagram map actions on projective polygons and compute relevant quantities. Access to program: <a href="https://zzou9.github.io/pentagram-map">https://zzou9.github.io/pentagram-map</a>
- Seminar talks: Brown University undergraduate colloquium (10/16/2024), Hamiltonian Systems Seminar (3/18/2025)

## Brown University Department of Computer Science, Undergraduate Teaching Assistant

December 2023 – May 2024

- Teaching assistant for Algorithmic Machine Learning (CSCI1952Q) under Prof. Yu Cheng
- Assisted in refining course content on low-rank matrix completion, nonnegative matrix factorization, and spectral graph theory; revised assignments and course background materials

# **Brown University Department of Mathematics,** *Undergraduate Teaching Assistant*

September 2023 – December 2024

- Teaching assistant for Real Analysis (MATH1630) under Prof. Justin Holmer
- Teaching assistant for Honors Multivariable Calculus (MATH0350) under Prof. Christine Breiner

### **Brown University Math Resource Center,** *Tutor*

October 2022 – May 2023

Organized weekly tutoring sessions to help students with problems in intro-level math classes (and sometimes more advanced topics)

# SEMINAR/CONFERENCES TALKS

Brown University, Undergraduate Math Colloquium

October 16th, 2024

• Seminar talk on the research paper "Spirals, Tic-Tac-Toe Partition, and Deep Diagonal Maps." <a href="https://www.math.brown.edu/elarso19/undergraduate-colloquium.html">https://www.math.brown.edu/elarso19/undergraduate-colloquium.html</a>.

University of Toronto, Hamiltonian Systems Seminar

March 13th, 2025

Seminar talk on the research paper "Spirals, Tic-Tac-Toe Partition, and Deep Diagonal Maps."
<a href="https://seminars.math.toronto.edu/pages/seminars?case=view\_talk&talk\_id=1742315400-1742297400-460">https://seminars.math.toronto.edu/pages/seminars?case=view\_talk&talk\_id=1742315400-1742297400-460</a>.

# **INTERNSHIP EXPERIENCE**

Walnut Education, Teaching Assistant; Tutor; Software Engineer

July 2023 – August 2023

- Assisted SAT and TOEFL students by organizing practice tests and vocabulary lessons; provided problem-solving support
- Developed a course scheduling and database management system using Flask and MySQL to manage information for over 50 students and employees

# SKILLS & INTERESTS

**Programming:** [ Advanced / Proficient ]: Matlab, Python, Java, JavaScript, HTML, CSS, SQL, LaTeX | [ intermediate ] C++,

**Language:** English (Native), Chinese (Native), Spanish (Proficient) **Interests:** jazz drumming, long-distance running, traveling, food