# **Junsung Hwang**

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# **Research Interests**

Learning-augmented combinatorial optimization and spectral graph design, with a focus on maximizing algebraic connectivity ( $\lambda_2$ ) under realistic constraints. I use convex optimization (SDP/SOCP, proximal/ADMM) and reinforcement learning to obtain theory-driven performance and stability guarantees and to build scalable, reproducible HPC workflows.

# **Education & Selected Coursework**

# Stony Brook University (SBU), Stony Brook, NY

Expected May 2026; 3-year acceleration

B.S. in Computer Science and Applied Mathematics & Statistics; Minor: Mathematics

- **GPA:** 3.89/4.00
- Honors: Four-Year Merit Scholarship; Dean's List (all completed semesters)
- Selected Advanced Coursework († graduate-level, \* in progress):
  - Optimization & HPC: Linear Programming†\*; Principles in Parallel Computing†; Numerical Analysis
  - Mathematics Core: Applied Real Analysis; Applied Complex Analysis; Probability & Statistics
  - CS Theory: Analysis of Algorithms; Theory of Computation; Computational Geometry\*

# Publications & Preprints (Legend: † equal contribution; \* corresponding author)

 Hongbo Lu, Junsung Hwang<sup>†</sup>, Bernard Tenreiro<sup>†</sup>, Nabila Jaman Tripti, Darren Hamilton, Yuefan Deng<sup>\*</sup>. A New Broadcast Model for Several Network Topologies. The Journal of Supercomputing

Status: under review (submitted May 2025); arXiv:2510.18058 (Oct 2025) [arXiv] [Code]

• Junsung Hwang. Spectral Optimal Graph Construction via Reinforcement Learning. Status: in preparation; arXiv 2025 (planned) [Code]

# **Research Experience**

# Spectral Optimal Graph Construction via Reinforcement Learning (sole author; advisor: Ji Liu)

Dept. of Electrical & Computer Engineering, SBU

Jan 2025 – Present

- **Status:** in preparation; arXiv 2025
- Designed a skeleton + residual policy with monotone  $\lambda_2$  guardrails under cost/diameter constraints.
- Built an HPC pipeline to construct and iteratively augment high-λ<sub>2</sub> graphs for arbitrary (n, m), with automated constraint enforcement.
- Orchestrated large-scale batched search and checkpointed evaluation via Slurm job arrays in containerized environments.
- Improved  $\lambda_2$  by 1–2% over strong baselines (e.g., SDP relaxation, ER, small-world) on graphs up to 1,024 nodes.

#### A New Broadcast Model for Several Network Topologies (co-author; advisor: Yuefan Deng)

Dept. of Applied Mathematics & Statistics, SBU

Aug 2024 – May 2025

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- Designed and implemented the forward-potential selector and core scheduling/evaluation modules.
- Led experimentation (complexity analysis and ablations).
- Spearheaded controlled benchmarking on SeaWulf, demonstrating 20–47% speedups vs Greedy, Binary-Tree, and SRDA across diverse topologies.
- Drove reproducibility with an automated benchmarking pipeline (Slurm job arrays; Docker/Conda; GitHub Actions).

## GraphEvo: Evolutionary Design of k-regular Graphs (independent research and open source)

Dept. of Computer Science, SBU

Aug 2024 - Dec 2024

- Implemented the first Master Regulatory Gene (MRG) crossover in C++/Python, improving  $\lambda_2$  on Graph Golf benchmarks.
- Scaled evolutionary search to k-regular graphs with thousands of nodes using OpenMP and an MPI-based island model.
- Released a reproducible CLI and Python API with Docker/Conda and CI/CD (GitHub Actions). [Code] [PyPI]

#### Contraction-based RL Topology Co-Design (CTGNN controller, solo project)

Dept. of Electrical & Computer Engineering, SBU

May 2025 - Present

- Proved invariance of the contraction metric  $P(\beta_0)$  under admissible graph edits and derived a rank-2 Laplacian update theory.
- Built a contraction-based CTGNN controller with RL-driven topology co-design grounded in these invariants.
- Benchmarks and manuscript in preparation; technical note available. [Technical Note]

# **Teaching Experience**

#### **Teaching Assistant**

Dept. of Applied Mathematics & Statistics

Jan 2024 - Dec 2024

- AMS 310 (Probability & Statistics, Fall 2024): Organized review sessions; authored solution keys; graded assessments.
- AMS 261 (Multivariable Calculus, Spring 2024): Led weekly recitations and office hours; provided 1:1 and small-group tutoring; authored solution keys; graded assessments.

# **Skills**

- Programming: C, C++, Python, Java
- HPC & Systems: MPI, OpenMP, Slurm (job arrays & profiling), Linux, Bash
- Optimization & ML: CVXPY (LP, SDP, SOCP), MOSEK; PyTorch, TensorFlow
- Numerical packages and algorithms: scikit-learn, NumPy, SciPy, SymPy, Lanczos, LOBPCG
- Reproducibility & DevOps: Docker, Conda; Git, GitHub Actions (CI/CD)
- Documentation: LaTeX

#### **Outreach & Service**

#### Volunteer, Refugee Outreach (Bayside, NY)

Sep 2023 - Jan 2024

- · Led monthly English conversation classes; developed beginner curricula for refugee children and adults.
- Organized seasonal holiday events for 100+ participants; coordinated volunteers and logistics.