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# Research Experience

Fall 2024- **Postdoc**, *Inria, University of Montpellier*, France.

Fall 2023- **Postdoc**, Algorithms Group, IT University of Copenhagen, Denmark.

Spring 2024

2020-2023 **PhD Student**, Basic Algorithms Research Copenhagen (BARC) & Algorithms Group, IT University of Copenhagen, Denmark.

#### Education

2020–2023 **PhD**, Basic Algorithms Research Copenhagen & IT University of Copenhagen, Advisors: Rasmus Pagh & Martin Aumüller.

Thesis title: Differentially Private Release of Sparse and Skewed Data.

2018–2020 **Computer Science (MSc)**, *IT University of Copenhagen*, Denmark.

Specialization: Algorithms.

Thesis title: HomSub: Counting small subgraphs via homomorphisms.

2015–2018 Software Development (BSc), IT University of Copenhagen, Denmark.

## Publications

- SaTML 2025 Avoiding Pitfalls for Privacy Accounting of Subsampled Mechanisms under Composition, Gautam Kamath, Christian Janos Lebeda, Matthew Regehr, and Thomas Steinke, Conference on Secure and Trustworthy Machine Learning (Accepted for Publication).
- SOSA 2025 **Better Gaussian Mechanism using Correlated Noise**, *Christian Janos Lebeda*, Symposium on Simplicity in Algorithms (Accepted for Publication).
- SOSA 2025 **Testing Identity of Distributions under Kolmogorov Distance in Polylogarithmic Space**, *Christian Janos Lebeda and Jakub Tětek*, Symposium on Simplicity in Algorithms (Accepted for Publication).
- PETS 2024 **PLAN: Variance-Aware Differentially Private Mean Estimation**, *Martin Aumüller, Christian Janos Lebeda, Boel Nelson, and Rasmus Pagh*, Privacy Enhancing Technologies Symposium.
- AFT 2023 **Correlated-Output Differential Privacy and Applications to Dark Pools**, *James Hsin-yu Chiang*, *Bernardo David*, *Mariana Gama*, *and Christian Janos Lebeda*, Advances in Financial Technologies.

- PODS 2023 Better Differentially Private Approximate Histograms and Heavy Hitters using the Misra-Gries Sketch, Christian Janos Lebeda and Jakub Tětek,

  Distinguished Paper, Principles of Database Systems. Also recognized with a 2024 ACM SIGMOD Research Highlight Award.
  - JPC 2022 Representing Sparse Vectors with Differential Privacy, Low Error, Optimal Space, and Fast Access, Martin Aumüller, Christian Janos Lebeda, and Rasmus Pagh, Invited to TPDP 2021 Special Edition, Journal of Privacy and Confidentiality.
  - CCS 2021 **Differentially Private Sparse Vectors with Low Error, Optimal Space, and Fast Access**, *Martin Aumüller, Christian Janos Lebeda, and Rasmus Pagh*, ACM Conference on Computer and Communications Security.

# **Preprints**

2024 The Correlated Gaussian Sparse Histogram Mechanism, Christian Janos Lebeda and Lukas Retschmeier.

#### Posters

- TPDP 2024 **Better Gaussian Mechanism using Correlated Noise**, *Christian Janos Lebeda*, link.
- TPDP 2023 Better Differentially Private Approximate Histograms and Heavy Hitters using the Misra-Gries Sketch, Christian Janos Lebeda and Jakub Tětek, link.
- TPDP 2022 **Differentially Private Vector Aggregation when Coordinates have Different Sensitivity**, Christian Janos Lebeda and Rasmus Pagh, link.
- TPDP 2021 Differentially Private Sparse Vectors with Low Error, Optimal Space, and Fast Access, Martin Aumüller, Christian Janos Lebeda, and Rasmus Pagh, link.

#### Collaborations

- Winter Term Research Visit, University of Waterloo (The Salon), Host: Gautam Kamath. 2023
- Summer 2021 OpenDP Visiting Fellows Program, Harvard Privacy Tools, Host: Salil Vadhan.

## Teaching Experience

- Fall 2023 Foundations of Probability, Course Manager, Data Science (BSc).
- Spring 2021 Algorithmic Problem Solving, (Elective Course) Software Development (BSc) and & 2022 Data Science (BSc).
  - 2016-2020 Employed as Teaching Assistant 9 times across 5 courses.

#### Selected Talks

- 2024 PLAN: Variance-Aware Differentially Private Mean Estimation, Privacy Enhancing Technologies Symposium.
- 2024 Introduction to Differential Privacy (Invited presentation), IT and Development Agency of the Danish Ministry of Taxation (Udviklings- og Forenklingsstyrelsen).

- 2024 Better Differentially Private Approximate Histograms and Heavy Hitters using the Misra-Gries Sketch, Algorithmic Research: Cooperation around Oresound (ARCO).
- 2024 **Practical use cases of Differential Privacy**, Danish Digitalization, Data Science and AI (D3A) Conference: Privacy Preserving Computation Workshop.
- 2023 Better Differentially Private Approximate Histograms and Heavy Hitters using the Misra-Gries Sketch, Theory and Practice of Differential Privacy Workshop (TPDP).
- 2023 Better Differentially Private Approximate Histograms and Heavy Hitters using the Misra-Gries Sketch, *Principles of Database Systems (PODS)*.
- 2021 **Differentially Private Release of Histograms**, Algorithmic Research: Cooperation around Oresound (ARCO).
- 2021 Differentially Private Sparse Vectors with Low Error, Optimal Space, and Fast Access, ACM Conference on Computer and Communications Security (CCS), (virtual).
- 2021 **OpenDP Library: Contributor Showcase The ALP Mechanism**, *OpenDP Community Meeting 2021*, (virtual).
- 2021 Differentially Private Sparse Vectors with Low Error, Optimal Space, and Fast Access, Digital Research Centre Denmark (DIREC).

## Selected Service

- 2024- Board Member/Reviewer, OpenDP Privacy Proof Review Board, link.
- 2024 **PC member**, Theory and Practice of Differential Privacy Workshop (TPDP).