# Curriculum Vitae

## Education

2017–2022 **Doctoral Candidate in Operations Research**, *Massachusetts Institute of Technology Operations Research Center*, Advised by Colin Fogarty.

MIT Grade Point Average, 5.00 out of 5.00.

2013–2017 BA in Mathematics, Phi Beta Kappa, Magna Cum Laude, Bowdoin College, Brunswick, Maine.

Bowdoin Mathematics Grade Point Average, 3.97 out of 4.00.

Total Bowdoin Grade Point Average, 3.93 out of 4.00.

## Professional Experience

2017-Present **Graduate Research Assistant**, *Massachusetts Institute of Technology*, Cambridge, Massachusetts.

Under the direction of Professor Fogarty. Research in causal inference for observational studies. Focused on sensitivity analysis and developed test statistics that exhibit optimal - or near optimal - robustness to latent variables in multiple-outcome studies.

- Summer of Researcher, S.M.A.L.L. NSF REU Williams College, Williamstown, Massachusetts.
  - 2016 Under the direction of Professor Miller through the Williams College SMALL REU. Explored topics in random matrix theory, connections of random matrix theory to L-functions, and perfect and near perfect numbers.
- Summer of **Researcher**, Center for Discrete Mathematics and Theoretical Computer Science & Rutgers 2015 Univ. NSF REU, Piscataway, New Jersey.

Under the direction of Professor Kontorovich through the **Rutgers Mathematics/DIMACS REU**. Explored local-global phenomena in a range of number theoretic settings including Zaremba's Conjecture and Integral Apollonian Circle Packings. Particular emphasis was placed on developing heuristics similar to the Hardy-Littlewood method and computationally evaluating the accuracy of these heuristics via simulation.

- Summer of Coles Research Fellow, Bowdoin College, Brunswick, Maine.
  - Under the direction of Professor Eustis. Focused on theoretical development of chromophore excitation modeling. Designed and implemented computational tools for *in silico* modeling of pollutant-light interactions and decomposition of experimental results into Gaussian mixture models.
- Summer of **Programmer**, Lewis-Sigler Institute for Integrative Genomics at Princeton Univ., Princeton, 2012 New Jersey.

Under the direction of Professor Singh. Designed a user interface that quantitatively predicts the characteristics of ligand binding sites on a protein.

## **Teaching**

Spring 2018 **Graduate Teaching Assistant**, *Massachusetts Institute of Technology*, Cambridge, MA. Teaching assistant for MIT's *15.075: Statistical Thinking and Data Analysis*, an undergraduate statistics course. Held office hours, taught recitations, prepared materials, and graded exams.

### **Publications**

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- o **P. Cohen**, M. Olson, C. Fogarty. "Multivariate one-sided testing in matched observational studies as an adversarial game" *Submitted to Biometrika*
- o **P. Cohen**, K. Cordwell, A. Epstein, C.H. Kwan, A. Lott, S.J. Miller. "On Within-Perfectness and Near-Perfectness" *In Progress*, https://arxiv.org/abs/1610.04253
- P. Burkhardt, P. Cohen, J. Dewitt, M. Hlavacek, S. J. Miller, C. Sprunger, Y. N. Truong Vu, R. Van Peski, K. Yang. "Random Matrix Ensembles with Split Limiting Behavior." Random Matrices: Theory and Applications, 2018, p. 1850006., doi:10.1142/s2010326318500065.
- o Peter Cohen, An analytic heuristic for multiplicity computation for Zaremba's Conjecture, In Journal of Number Theory, Volume 184, 2018, Pages 179-191, ISSN 0022-314X,https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jnt.2017.08.016.
- o K. Trerayapiwat, N. Ricke, **P. Cohen**, A. Poblete, H. Rudel, S. N. Eustis. "Sticking to (First) Principles: Quantum Molecular Dynamics and Bayesian Probabilistic Methods to Simulate Aquatic Pollutant Absorption Spectra" *Environ. Science: Processes and Impacts*, The Royal Society of Chemistry, 2016, DOI: 10.1039/C6EM00233A, http://dx.doi.org/10.1039/C6EM00233A.
- o A. Costin, N. Costin, **P. Cohen**, C. Eisenach, and F. Marchlinski. "Effect of Exercise on Heart-rate Response to Mental Stress in Teenagers." *European Journal of Preventive Cardiology* 20.4 (2013): 593-96. Web.

## Presentations and Conferences

- o **P. Cohen**, C. Fogarty. "Prepivoting for Exact and Asymptotically Robust Testing", Atlantic Causal Inference Conference 2019, Montreal, Canada.
- P. Cohen, S.J. Miller, N. Truong, R. Van Peski, "Deviations from Large Eigenvalues of a Special Matrix Ensemble." *ICTIMCAMS 2016*, Banaras Hindu University, December 16<sup>th</sup>, 2016
- o **P. Cohen** and R. Van Peski, "Extending Agreement in the Katz-Sarnak Density Conjecture." The Quebéc-Maine Number Theory Conference, Université Laval, October 8<sup>th</sup>, 2016
- o **P. Cohen**, "Deviations from Large Eigenvalues of a Special Matrix Ensemble." *AMS Fall Eastern Sectional Meeting*, Bowdoin College, September 25<sup>th</sup>, 2016
- P. Cohen and C. Sprunger, "Extending Agreement in the Katz-Sarnak Density Conjecture."
   The Young Mathematician's Conference, Ohio State University, August 20<sup>th</sup>, 2016
- P. Cohen and C. Sprunger, "Deviations from Large Eigenvalues of a Special Matrix Ensemble." The Young Mathematician's Conference, Ohio State University, August 19<sup>th</sup>, 2016
- o K. Trerayapiwat, **P. Cohen**, A. Poblete, H. Rudel, and S. Eustis, "Molecular Absorption Spectra: Simulation and Analysis for Quantitative Descriptions of Pollutant Phototransformation and Fate in the Environment." *American Chemical Society Spring Meeting* 2016: Oral Presentation

### Computer Skills

Microsoft Office Suite

R Python
MATLAB Mathematica
C++ LATEX

#### Relevant Coursework

**Theoretical Statistics**, Statistical Learning Theory, Inference and Information Theory, Probability Theory, Mathematical Statistics.

**Applied Statistics**, Multivariate Statistical Analysis, Computational Optimal Transport.

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#### **Optimization**, Linear Optimization.

#### Awards

2018 - Present Graduate Fellowship, National Physical Science Consortium.

National graduate fellowship to support doctoral studies.

2017 Edward Sanford Hammond Mathematics Prize:, Bowdoin College.

Award given to a graduating senior who is completing a major in mathematics with distinction.

- 2017 Phi Beta Kappa, Alpha Chapter of Maine, Bowdoin College.
- 2016 Grua/O'Connell Research Award, Bowdoin College.

Grant to fund travel to Banaras Hindu Univ. to present "Deviations from Large Eigenvalues of a Special Matrix Ensemble."

2016 Roberts Fund Research Grant, Bowdoin College.

Grant to fund research in number theory.

2015-2016 Bowdoin Book Award, Bowdoin College.

Academic award to undergraduates for a 4.0 GPA over the course of the year.

- 2016 The Barry Goldwater Scholarship and Excellence in Education Program: Honorable Mention.
- 2015 2017 Smyth Mathematical Prize, Bowdoin College.

Award for the sophomore student who obtains the highest grades in mathematics courses during the first two years at Bowdoin College. Both the number of mathematics courses taken and the level of difficulty of those courses are considered in determining the recipient.

2014 Coles Research Fellowship, Bowdoin College.

Fellowship to pursue research in quantum chemistry.

2013–2016 Sarah and James Bowdoin Scholar, Bowdoin College.

Academic award to undergraduates who have distinguished themselves in scholarship. The award is given to the twenty percent of students with the highest grade point average.