Adam Lechowicz

Education

University of Massachusetts Amherst (Manning CICS), Ph.D. Computer Science

2022 -

Supported by DOE Computational Science Graduate Fellowship, 2023 -

Advised by: Mohammad Hajiesmaili and Prashant Shenoy

University of Massachusetts Amherst

2019 - 2022

B.S. Computer Science & B.A. Political Science, summa cum laude

Phi Beta Kappa, 21st Century Leader. GPA: 3.99 / 4.0

Honors Thesis (Advisor: Cameron Musco): Edge Dynamics and Opinion Polarization in Social Networks

Research Interests

I work at the intersection between theory and systems, encompassing the design of learning-augmented or provably fair algorithms for decision-making under uncertainty, and system designs that increase the flexibility, efficiency, and sustainability of energy systems or computing infrastructure.

Experience

Ph.D. Intern

Power Systems Engineering Center, National Renewable Energy Laboratory (NREL)

Summer 2024

Power Systems Engineering Center, National Renewable Energy Laboratory (NREL)

• Advised by Dr. Joshua Comden – areas: Incentive design, Power system control

Visiting Researcher Pasadena, Calif.

Computing and Mathematical Sciences, California Institute of Technology

o Advised by Prof. Adam Wierman - areas: Online optimization, Carbon-aware computing

Research Assistant Amherst, Mass.

Manning College of Information and Computer Sciences

Jun. 2022 – May 2023

Summer 2023

- Designed algorithms for online problems such as knapsack and online search, and worked on residential heating decarbonization in a small city
- o areas: Online optimization, Algorithmic fairness, Energy analytics

Publications and Academic Papers

 \dagger – indicates undergraduate I advised $(\alpha-eta)$ – indicates alphabetical author order

Adam Lechowicz, Rohan Shenoy[†], Noman Bashir, Mohammad Hajiesmaili, Adam Wierman, Christina Delimitrou Carbon- and Precedence-Aware Scheduling for Data Processing Clusters (SIGCOMM short) ACM SIGCOMM, 2025.

Mohammadreza Daneshvaramoli, Helia Karisani, Adam Lechowicz, Bo Sun, Cameron Musco, and Mohammad Hajiesmaili Near-Optimal Consistency-Robustness Trade-Offs for Learning-Augmented Online Knapsack Problems International Conference on Machine Learning (ICML), 2025.

Anupama Sitaraman, Adam Lechowicz, Noman Bashir, Xutong Liu, Prashant Shenoy, and Mohammad Hajiesmaili Dynamic Incentive Allocation for City-scale Deep Decarbonization

ACM Journal on Computing and Sustainable Societies, June 2025.

Adam Lechowicz, Joshua Comden, and Andrey Bernstein

Optimizing Individualized Incentives from Grid Measurements under Limited Knowledge of Agent Behavior ACM International Conference on Future Energy Systems (e-Energy), 2025.

Cooper Sigrist, Adam Lechowicz, Jovan Champ, Noman Bashir, and Mohammad Hajiesmaili Lost in Siting: The Hidden Carbon Cost of Inequitable Residential Solar Installations ACM International Conference on Future Energy Systems (e-Energy), 2025.

Adam Lechowicz, Nicolas Christianson, Bo Sun, Noman Bashir, Mohammad Hajiesmaili, Adam Wierman, and Prashant Shenoy Learning-Augmented Competitive Algorithms for Spatiotemporal Online Allocation with Deadline Constraints

Proc. of the ACM on Measurement and Analysis of Computing Systems 9(1), Mar. 2025. Also in SIGMETRICS '25.

Cooper Sigrist, Archimedes Li, Mimi Lertsaroj, Ryan Bahlous-Boldi, Adam Lechowicz, Noman Bashir, and Mohammad Hajiesmaili Learning to Site: A Multi-objective Optimization of Rooftop Solar Installations using Evolutionary Neural Networks AI Crossroads Workshop @ ACM SIGMETRICS, 2025.

Roozbeh Bostandoost, Walid A. Hanafy, Adam Lechowicz, Noman Bashir, Prashant Shenoy, and Mohammad Hajiesmaili Data-driven Algorithm Selection for Carbon-Aware Scheduling

ACM SIGEnergy Energy Informatics Review 4(5), Dec. 2024. Also in HotCarbon '24.

Julia Köhlke, Adam Lechowicz, Oluwole Fabikun[†], Noman Bashir, Abel Souza, Prashant Shenoy, and Sebastian Lehnhoff Examining The Adoption of Electromobility Concepts Across Social Contexts for Energy Transition

ACM International Conference on Systems for Energy-Efficient Buildings, Cities, and Transportation (BuildSys), 2024.

Adam Lechowicz and Joshua Comden

Distribution Grid Incentive Design with Unknown Agent Behavior

Seventh Workshop on Autonomous Energy Systems, 2024.

Adam Lechowicz, Nicolas Christianson, Bo Sun, Noman Bashir, Mohammad Hajiesmaili, Adam Wierman, and Prashant Shenoy Chasing Convex Functions with Long-term Constraints

International Conference on Machine Learning (ICML), 2024.

Adam Lechowicz, Nicolas Christianson, Bo Sun, Noman Bashir, Mohammad Hajiesmaili, Adam Wierman, and Prashant Shenoy Online Conversion with Switching Costs: Robust and Learning-augmented Algorithms

ACM SIGMETRICS / IFIP Performance, 2024.

Roozbeh Bostandoost, Adam Lechowicz, Walid A. Hanafy, Noman Bashir, Prashant Shenoy, and Mohammad Hajiesmaili LACS: Learning-Augmented Carbon-Aware Resource Scaling for Uncertain Demand

ACM International Conference on Future Energy Systems (e-Energy), 2024.

Adam Lechowicz, Rik Sengupta, Bo Sun, Shahin Kamali, and Mohammad Hajiesmaili

Time Fairness in Online Knapsack Problems

International Conference on Learning Representations (ICLR), 2024.

Adam Lechowicz, Nicolas Christianson, Jinhang Zuo, Noman Bashir, Mohammad Hajiesmaili, Adam Wierman, and Prashant Shenoy The Online Pause and Resume Problem: Optimal Algorithms and An Application to Carbon-Aware Load Shifting

Proc. of the ACM on Measurement and Analysis of Computing Systems 7(3), Dec. 2023. Also in SIGMETRICS / Performance '24.

Adam Lechowicz, Noman Bashir, John Wamburu, Mohammad Hajiesmaili, and Prashant Shenoy

Equitable Network-Aware Decarbonization of Residential Heating at City Scale

ACM International Conference on Future Energy Systems (e-Energy), 2023.

Nikita Bhalla, Adam Lechowicz, and Cameron Musco $(\alpha - \beta)$

Local Edge Dynamics and Opinion Polarization

ACM International Conference on Web Search and Data Mining (WSDM), 2023.

Bhawana Chhaglani, Camellia Zakaria, Adam Lechowicz, Jeremy Gummeson, and Prashant Shenoy

FlowSense: Monitoring Airflow in Building Ventilation Systems Using Audio Sensing

Proceedings of the ACM on Interactive, Mobile, Wearable and Ubiquitous Technologies (IMWUT), March 2022.

Honors and Awards

ACM SIGEnergy: Student Travel Grant (for ACM e-Energy 2025)	Spring 2025
ACM SIGMETRICS: Student Travel Award (for ACM SIGMETRICS '25)	Spring 2025
Manning CICS: Ph.D. Portfolio with Distinction	Fall 2024
National Science Foundation: Student Travel Grant (for ACM SIGMETRICS '24)	Spring 2024
U. of Michigan, Georgia Tech, UC San Diego: 2023 NextProf Pathfinder Workshop (invited)	Fall 2023
Manning CICS: Dr. C. Mohan Graduate Scholarship	Fall 2023
U.S. Department of Energy: Computational Science Graduate Fellowship	2023-2027
ACM SIGIR & National Science Foundation: Student Travel Award (for ACM WSDM 2023)	Spring 2023
Energy Transition Institute: NSF ELEVATE Fellowship	2022-2024
UMass Amherst: Class of 2022 – 21st Century Leader Award (highest undergraduate honor)	Spring 2022
Manning CICS: Outstanding Undergraduate Achievement Award	Spring 2022
UMass Amherst: 2021-2022 UMass Amherst Rising Researcher	Spring 2022
Manning CICS: Senior Leadership Award	Spring 2022
Manning CICS: Outstanding Undergraduate Course Assistant Award	Spring 2022
UMass Amherst: Phi Beta Kappa (junior year inductee)	Spring 2021
UMass Amherst: David C. Knapp Scholarship in Political Science	Spring 2020
Massachusetts Department of Higher Education: John and Abigail Adams Scholarship	Fall 2018

Presentations

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Learning-Augmented Online Optimization with Switching Costs and Long-term Cons * INFORMS Applied Probability Society Conference 2025 (Slides)	traints Jul. 2025
Optimizing Individualized Incentives from Grid Measurements under Limited Knowled * RSRG / FALCON Group Meeting @ Caltech (Slides) ELEVATE Retreat, Energy Transition Institute @ UMass * ACM SIGEnergy Graduate Seminar (Slides)	dge of Agent Behavior May 2025 Jan. 2025 Nov. 2024
Online Optimization with Switching Costs and Long-term Constraints * SODALab Group Meeting @ University of Alberta (Slides)	Aug. 2024
Equitable Network-Aware Decarbonization of Residential Heating at City Scale * PIT × UMass: Developing Tech for the Public Interest (poster in library exhibit)	Apr – May. 2024
Theoretical Foundations for Carbon-aware Load Shifting ELEVATE Retreat, Energy Transition Institute @ UMass	Feb. 2024
Fresh Challenges for Online Problems: new directions motivated by practice * RSRG / FALCON Lunch Seminar @ Caltech (Slides)	Jun. 2023
On the Necessary "Unfairness" of Competitive Online Algorithms UMass CS Theory Seminar (Slides)	Nov. 2022
Edge Dynamics and Opinion Polarization in Social Networks Honors Thesis Defense (Slides)	Apr. 2022
Machine Learning for Absolute Beginners – Mathematical Foundations of ML Workshop @ HackUMass IX (Slides)	Nov. 2021
Research Advising and Mentorship	
Ezra Johnson (UG, Caltech) – Computing for an Equitable Energy Transition REU	Summer 2025
Tri Than (UG, UMass) – Undergraduate Research Assistant	2024 -
Rohan Shenoy (UG, UC Berkeley) – Undergraduate Research Assistant	2024 -
Anisha Prathi (UG, UMass) – Undergraduate Honors Thesis Next: Capital One	2023 – 2024
Kaosisochukwu Nwosu (UG, UMass) – (received Outstanding Achievement Award) Next: Schneider Electric	2023 – 2024
Lily Davoren (UG, Bryn Mawr) - Computing for an Equitable Energy Transition REU	Summer 2023
Coo Katsuno, Saif Masoud, Riley Kim Connell (UG, UMass) – URV Program @ MCICS	Summer 2023
Oluwole Fabikun (UG, UMass) – LSAMP Scholar – (featured in graduating "Senior Series") Next: Fidelity Investments	2023 – 2024
Teaching	
Lecturer & Mentor UMass Turing Summer Program – College of Information and Computer Sciences	Amherst, Mass. Summers 2022, 2023, 2025
Course Assistant Intro to Machine Learning (CS 389) – College of Information and Computer Sciences	Amherst, Mass. Spring 2022
Other Professional Experience	
 Student Trustee – Board of Trustees, University of Massachusetts Served as student representative of the Amherst campus on system-wide Board of Trustees. 	Boston, Mass. Jul. 2022 – Jul. 2023
 Peer Advisor – Manning College of Information and Computer Sciences Advised students on course selection and offered guidance for struggling students. 	Amherst, Mass. Jan. 2021 – Jan. 2022
Web Developer – Public Higher Education Network of Massachusetts (PHENOM) O Created new web UI & recruitment tools for a nonprofit in the higher education sector.	Worcester, Mass. Dec. 2020 – Nov. 2021
Engineering Intern − Bin1 ATE o Interned at firm building automated test equipment for semiconductor manufacturing.	Ashland, Mass. May. 2019 – Aug. 2019

Service

– Workshop Organization –	
Co-Chair – Workshop on Learning-augmented Algorithms: Theory and Applications (LATA)	SIGMETRICS '25
Workshop on Measurements, Modeling, & Metrics for Carbon-Aware Computing (CarbonMetric	s) SIGMETRICS '25
– Journal Reviewing –	
IEEE Transactions on Network Science and Engineering	2025
- Conference and Workshop Reviewing -	
Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS)	2025
International Conference on Learning Representations (ICLR)	2025
ACM SIGMETRICS (subreviewer)	2024, 2025
- Seminars -	
Grad Student Organizer – CS Systems & Sustainability Lunches, UMass Amherst	Fall 2024 – ongoing
Grad Student Organizer – CS Theory Seminar, UMass Amherst	Spring 2024 – ongoing
Grad Student Organizer – Algorithms with Predictions Seminar, UMass Amherst	Fall 2022
- Department & University Service -	
New Building Committee – Manning CICS	Jun. 2022 – ongoing
 Headmaster (Organizer) – OlympCICS – Manning CICS Organized the 2nd iteration of an annual competition and celebration for CS PhD students. 	Jan. 2024
Grad Student Social Committee – Manning CICS	Sep. 2023 – Aug. 2024
New PhD Student Committee – Manning CICS	Sep. 2023 – Aug. 2024
Committee Against Racism and for Equity – Structural Barriers to Academic Success	Sep. 2021 – Aug. 2022
Flexible Learning Task Force & Implementation Committee – UMass Amherst	Jan. 2021 – May 2022
- Outreach & Volunteering -	
Workshop Co-lead and Presenter – Holyoke Energy Justice Leaders Workshop #3	May 2024
Judge – HackUMass XI (hackathon)	Nov. 2023
Mentor – Undergraduate Research Volunteers (URV) Program	Summer 2023
 Founder & Editor-in-Chief – UMass Index Yearbook Led a successful effort to revive the university's yearbook – took project from conceptual stage to raising funds from scratch through preorders and delivering several hundred books. 	Aug. 2020 – Jul. 2022
Organizing Co-director – UMass CEPA Food Justice Campaign • Leadership role in a campaign focused on advocacy around food insecurity and sustainability	Sep. 2019 – May 2021
Senator, Secretary of Technology – UMass Student Government Association	Sep. 2019 – May 2022
Side Projects	
Venti – macOS application, JavaScript & shell A carbon-aware battery management tool for Apple silicon MacBooks. Used to prolong battery health and defer charging to periods of time when grid electricity is sufficiently clean.	Winter 2023, Spring 2025
Backtrack – <i>iOS</i> application, Swift & SwiftUI A privacy-centric, open-source location logging solution that provides a history of location data for a personal device with minimal battery impact, leveraging deep API integration.	Summer 2021
Béton3 Macro Pad – <i>Hardware and firmware design, C, CAD, Arduino</i> Created an Arduino-based open-source input device. Custom firmware, CAD chassis, and concrete cast volume knob.	Summer 2020
UMass Campus Architecture – <i>iOS</i> , <i>watchOS application</i> , <i>SwiftUI</i> Created an interactive guide to highlight the architecture of the UMass campus.	Summer 2020 & 2025

Languages

English (U.S., native); Polish; American Sign Language