

# Alexis Korb

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## Research Interests

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Cryptography and theoretical computer science

## Education

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| 2020-Present | <b>Ph.D. in Computer Science</b> , UCLA<br>Advisor: Amit Sahai   |
| 2018-2020    | <b>M.S. in Computer Science</b> , UCLA<br>Thesis: Limits on the Pseudorandomness of Low-Degree Polynomials over the Integers |
| 2014-2018    | <b>B.S. in Computer Science</b> , UCLA<br>Summa Cum Laude  |

## Awards and Honors

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| 2025 | UCLA Distinguished Teaching Assistant<br><i>UCLA's highest recognition for teaching excellence, awarded to just five students per year across all of UCLA.</i>  |
| 2024 | UCLA CS Teaching and Education Career Development Award   |
| 2022 | <i>Beyond the Csiszár-Körner Bound: Best-Possible Wiretap Coding via Obfuscation</i> is selected as among the top six papers at CRYPTO 2022 and was consequently specially invited to and published in the <i>Journal of Cryptology</i> . |
| 2020 | UCLA CS Outstanding Graduating Masters Student  |
| 2019 | UCLA CS Northrop-Grumman Outstanding TA Award   |

## Professional Research Experience

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| Summer 2024 | <b>NTT Research, Cryptography and Information Security Lab</b><br>Sunnyvale, CA<br><i>Research Intern</i>                      |
| Summer 2022 | <b>Simons Institute Summer Cluster: Lattices and Beyond</b><br>University of California Berkeley<br><i>Visiting Researcher</i> |

## Publications

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- **Incrementally Verifiable Computation for NP from Standard Assumptions**  
Pratish Datta, Abhishek Jain, Zhengzhong Jin, Alexis Korb, Surya Mathialagan, Amit Sahai  
Crypto 2025
- **Dynamic Bounded-Collusion Streaming Functional Encryption from Minimal Assumptions**  
Kaartik Bhushan, Alexis Korb, Amit Sahai  
Crypto 2025
- **Adaptively Secure Streaming Functional Encryption**  
Pratish Datta, Jiaxin Guan, Alexis Korb, Amit Sahai  
TCC 2025

- **(Multi-Input) FE for Randomized Functionalities, Revisited**  
*Pratish Datta, Jiaxin Guan, Alexis Korb, Amit Sahai*  
TCC 2025
- **Streaming Functional Encryption**  
*Jiaxin Guan, Alexis Korb, Amit Sahai*  
Crypto 2023
- **Hard Languages in  $NP \cap coNP$  and NIZK Proofs from Unstructured Hardness**  
*Riddhi Ghosal, Yuval Ishai, Alexis Korb, Eyal Kushilevitz, Paul Lou, Amit Sahai*  
STOC 2023
- **Beyond the Csiszár-Körner Bound: Best-Possible Wiretap Coding via Obfuscation**  
*Yuval Ishai, Alexis Korb, Paul Lou, Amit Sahai*  
Crypto 2022, Invited and Accepted to the *Journal of Cryptology*
- **Amplifying the Security of Functional Encryption, Unconditionally**  
*Aayush Jain, Alexis Korb, Nathan Manohar, Amit Sahai*  
Crypto 2020

## Preprints and Manuscripts

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- **Building Hard Problems by Combining Easy Ones: Revisited**  
*Yael Eisenberg, Christopher Havens, Alexis Korb, Amit Sahai*
- **A Note on the Pseudorandomness of Low-Degree Polynomials over the Integers**  
*Aayush Jain, Alexis Korb, Paul Lou, Amit Sahai*
- **Expanding COVID-19 Symptom Screening to Retail, Restaurants, and Schools by Preserving Privacy Using Relaxed Digital Signatures**  
*Brandon Jew, Alexis Korb, Paul Lou, Jeffrey N. Chiang, Ulzee An, Amit Sahai, Eran Halperin, Eleazar Eskin*

## Patents

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- **Adaptively Secure Streaming Functional Encryption System and Method**  
*Pratish Datta, Jiaxin Guan, Alexis Korb, Amit Sahai*  
U.S. Patent: US-20250274279-A1

## Teaching Experience

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Fall 2025	<b>Instructor</b> , Pepperdine University, COSC 101: Programming Principles I with Python, 24 students
Summer 2025	<b>Instructor</b> , UCLA, CS 180: Introduction to Algorithms and Complexity 150 students, <i>Student Evaluation Overall Rating (out of 9), Mean: 8.13, Median: 9</i>
Fall 2024	<b>Instructor</b> , UCLA, CS 180: Introduction to Algorithms and Complexity 239 students, <i>Student Evaluation Overall Rating (out of 9), Mean: 7.44, Median: 8</i>
Spring 2025	<b>TA</b> , UCLA, CS 33: Introduction to Computer Organization <i>Student Evaluation Overall Rating (out of 9): Average: 8.14, Median: 9</i>
Spring 2024	<b>TA</b> , UCLA, CS 181: Theory of Computing <i>Student Evaluation Overall Rating (out of 9), Disc 1A: Average: 8.25, Median: 9</i> <i>Student Evaluation Overall Rating (out of 9), Disc 1D: Average: 8.29, Median: 9</i>
Winter 2023	<b>TA</b> , UCLA, CS 181: Theory of Computing <i>Student Evaluation Overall Rating (out of 9), Mean: 8.18, Median: 9</i>

Fall 2021	<b>TA</b> , UCLA, CS 31: Introduction to Computer Science <i>Student Evaluation Overall Rating (out of 9), Mean: 8.25, Median: 9</i>
Winter 2021	<b>TA</b> , UCLA, CS 181: Theory of Computing <i>Student Evaluation Overall Rating (out of 9), Mean: 8.64, Median: 9</i>
Spring 2019	<b>TA</b> , UCLA, CS 181: Theory of Computing <i>Student Evaluation Overall Rating (out of 9), Mean: 8.27, Median: 9</i>
Winter 2019	<b>TA</b> , UCLA, CS 181: Theory of Computing <i>Student Evaluation Overall Rating (out of 9), Mean: 8.4, Median: 9</i>
Varies	<b>Guest Lecturer</b> , UCLA, CS 180: Introduction to Algorithms and Complexity <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Feb 26, 2025: Dynamic Programming: Shortest Path with Negative Edges</li> <li>• Feb 24, 2025: Dynamic Programming: Introduction and Sequence Alignment</li> </ul>
Varies	<b>Guest Lecturer</b> , UCLA, CS 181: Theory of Computing <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Feb 21, 2024: Set Cardinality and Cantor's Diagonalization</li> <li>• Mar 8, 2023: Undecidability and Unrecognizability</li> <li>• Feb 8, 2023: Introduction to PDAs and Equivalence with CFGs</li> <li>• Feb 7, 2022: CFL Pumping Lemma and Introduction to Turing Machines</li> </ul>

## Talks

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- **Adaptively Secure Streaming Functional Encryption**  
NTT Research, Cryptography and Information Security Lab - August 2024
- **Streaming Functional Encryption**  
Crypto 2023
- **Hard Languages in  $NP \cap coNP$  and NIZK Proofs from Unstructured Hardness**  
MIT Cryptography and Information Security Seminar - October 2023  
Simons Institute Minimal Complexity Assumptions for Cryptography Workshop - May 2023  
Stanford University Applied Cryptography Group - May 2023
- **Beyond the Csiszár-Körner Bound: Best-Possible Wiretap Coding via Obfuscation**  
Crypto 2022
- **Amplifying the Security of Functional Encryption, Unconditionally**  
Crypto 2020

## Service

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- Reviewer for Journal of Cryptology
- External Reviewer for Crypto 2025, MFCS 2025, Crypto 2024, TCC 2024, PKC 2024, Eurocrypt 2023, and CCC 2023