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EDUCATION

Harvard University Cambridge, MA Ph.D. in Computer Science Aug. 2020-Present

Advisor: Ariel D. Procaccia

University of Toronto Toronto, ON

B.Sc. in Computer Science with High Distinction

Sep. 2016-Jun. 2020 • Major GPA: 4.0/4.0, Cumulative GPA: 3.96/4.0

SELECTED HONORS AND AWARDS

Siebel Scholarship	2024
NSF Graduate Research Fellowship	2021
University of Toronto Computer Science Undergraduate Research Award	2020
Harold Willet Stewart Memorial Scholarship	2020
Anna And Alex Beverly Memorial Fellowship	2020
Samuel Beatty In Course Scholarship	2019
C. L. Burton Scholarship For Mathematics and Physical Sciences	2019
• Dr. James A. & Connie P. Dickson Scholarship in Science & Mathematics	2018
Alan Milne McCombie Scholarship	2017
University of Toronto President's Scholars of Excellence Program	2016

JOURNAL ARTICLES

(α): alphabetical author order

J2. Dynamic Fair Division with Partial Information.

 (α) G. Benadè, D. Halpern, and A. Psomas.

In Operations Research (OR). Forthcoming.

J1. Tracking Truth with Liquid Democracy.

(\alpha) A. Berinsky, D. Halpern, J. Y. Halpern, A. Jadbabaie, E. Mossel, A. D. Procaccia, and M. Revel.

In Management Science (MS). Forthcoming.

CONFERENCE PUBLICATIONS

 (α) : alphabetical author order, (r): random author order

C20. Federated Assemblies.

 (α) D. Halpern, A. D. Procaccia, E. Shapiro, and N. Talmon.

In Proceedings of the 39th AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence (AAAI), 2025.

★ Oral presentation (4.6% of submissions)

C19. Axioms for Al Alignment from Human Feedback.

 (α) L. Ge, D. Halpern, E. Micha, A. D. Procaccia, I. Shapira, Y. Vorobeychik, and J. Wu.

In Proceedings of the 38th Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS), 2024.

★ Spotlight presentation (2.1% of submissions)

C18. Computing Voting Rules with Elicited Incomplete Votes.

 (α) D. Halpern, S. Hossain, and J. Tucker-Foltz.

In Proceedings of the 25th ACM Conference on Economics and Computation (EC), 2024.

C17. On the Existence of Envy-Free Allocations Beyond Additive Valuations.

 (α) G. Benadè, D. Halpern, A. Psomas, and P. Verma.

In Proceedings of the 25th ACM Conference on Economics and Computation (EC), 2024.

C16. Metric Distortion with Elicited Pairwise Comparisons.

 (α) S. Ebadian, D. Halpern, and E. Micha.

In Proceedings of the 33rd International Joint Conference on Artificial Intelligence (IJCAI), 2024.

C15. Optimal Engagement-Diversity Tradeoffs in Social Media.

(\alpha) F. Baumman, D. Halpern, I. Rahwan, I. Shapira, A. D. Procaccia, and M. Wüthrich.

In Proceedings of the 33rd ACM Web Conference (WWW), 2024.

C14. Strategyproof Voting under Correlated Beliefs.

 (α) D. Halpern, R. Li, and A. D. Procaccia.

In Proceedings of the 37th Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS), 2023.

- C13. Smoothed Analysis of Social Choice Revisited.
 - (α) B. Flanigan, D. Halpern, and A. Psomas.

In Proceedings of the 19th Conference on Web and Internet Economics (WINE), 2023.

- C12. In Defense of Liquid Democracy.
 - (α) D. Halpern, J. Y. Halpern, A. Jadbabaie, E. Mossel, A. D. Procaccia, and M. Revel.

In Proceedings of the 24th ACM Conference on Economics and Computation (EC), 2023.

- C11. Representation with Incomplete Votes.
 - (α) D. Halpern, G. Kehne, A. D. Procaccia, J. Tucker-Foltz, and M. Wüthrich.

In Proceedings of the 37th AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence (AAAI), 2023.

- C10. Dynamic Fair Division with Partial Information.
 - (α) G. Benadè, D. Halpern, and A. Psomas.

In Proceedings of the 36th Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS), 2022.

- C9. Liquid Democracy in Practice: An Empirical Analysis of its Epistemic Performance.
 - M. Revel, D. Halpern, A. Berinsky, and A. Jadbabaie.

In Proceedings of the 2nd ACM conference on Equity and Access in Algorithms, Mechanisms, Optimization (EAAMO), 2022.

- C8. Distortion in Voting with Top-t Preferences.
 - (α) A. Borodin, D. Halpern, M. Latifian, and N. Shah.

In Proceedings of the 31st International Joint Conference on Artificial Intelligence (IJCAI), 2022.

- C7. Can Buyers Reveal for a Better Deal?.
 - (α) D. Halpern, G. Kehne, and J. Tucker-Foltz.

In Proceedings of the 31st International Joint Conference on Artificial Intelligence (IJCAI), 2022.

- C6. How Many Representatives Do We Need? The Optimal Size of an Epistemic Congress.
 - (r) M. Revel, T. Lin, and D. Halpern.

In Proceedings of the 36th AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence (AAAI), 2022.

- C5. Fair and Efficient Resource Allocation with Partial Information.
 - (α) D. Halpern and N. Shah.

In Proceedings of the 30th International Joint Conference on Artificial Intelligence (IJCAI), 2021.

- C4. Aggregating Binary Judgments Ranked By Accuracy.
 - (α) D. Halpern, G. Kehne, D. Peters, A. D. Procaccia, N. Shah, and P. Skowron.

In Proceedings of the 35th AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence (AAAI), 2021.

- C3. Fair Division with Binary Valuations: One Rule to Rule Them All.
 - (α) D. Halpern, A. D. Procaccia, A. Psomas, and N. Shah.

In Proceedings of the 16th Conference on Web and Internet Economics (WINE), 2020.

- C2. Resolving the Optimal Metric Distortion Conjecture.
 - (α) V. Gkatzelis, D. Halpern, and N. Shah.

In Proceedings of the 61st Annual IEEE Symposium on Foundations of Computer Science (FOCS), 2020.

- ★ Invited to the EC 2021 plenary session: Highlights Beyond EC
- C1. Fair Division with Subsidy.
 - (α) D. Halpern and N. Shah.

In Proceedings of the 12th International Symposium on Algorithmic Game Theory (SAGT), 2019.

WORKING PAPERS

W2. Online Envy Minimization and Multicolor Discrepancy: Equivalences and Separations.

D. Halpern, A. Psomas, P. Verma, and D. Xie.

W1. The Proportional Veto Principle for Approval Ballots.

D. Halpern, A. D. Procaccia, and W. Suksompong.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

GEC Academy Teaching Fellow

• Mathematics for Economics

Harvard University Cambridge, MA Teaching Fellow

Optimized Democracy (CS238)

University of Toronto

Undergraduate Teaching Assistant

Data Structures and Analysis (CSC263)

Algorithm Design, Analysis & Complexity (CSC373)

Summer 2024

Spring 2022

Online

Toronto, ON Spring 2020

SERVICE

PC Member: AAAI ('23, '24, '25), IJCAI ('23, '24), SAGT ('23), NeurIPS ('24)

Journal Reviewer: ARTINT ('21, '22, '24), JAAMAS ('21, '21, '21, '22), MOR ('22, '23), MSS ('21, '22, '23)

Subreviewer: AAMAS ('25), EAAMO ('22), SAGT ('21), SODA ('24)

INVITED TALKS

National University of Singapore Workshop on Algorithmics of Fair Division and Social Choice Aggregating Preferences with Limited Queries	December, 2024
Cornell Theory Seminar	November, 2024
Aggregating Preferences with Limited Queries	
FOCS Workshop on Distortion in Social Choice	October, 2024
Optimal Randomized Utilitarian Distortion	
INFORMS Annual Meeting	October, 2024
Tracking Truth with Liquid Democracy	
University of Chicago Computer Science Colloquium	October, 2024
Aggregating Preferences with Limited Queries	
Carnegie Mellon Formal Epistemology Lecture Series	September, 2024
Aggregating Preferences with Limited Queries	
Oxford Algorithmic Game Theory Seminar	June, 2024
Computing Voting Rules with Elicited Incomplete Votes	
MSRI/SLMath Social Choice Seminar	November, 2023
Resolving the Optimal Metric Distortion Conjecture	
INFORMS Annual Meeting	October, 2023
Representation with Incomplete Votes	
HalpernFest at Cornell University	June, 2023
In Defense of Liquid Democracy	
McGill Bellairs Workshop on Multi-Agent Systems	March, 2023
Representation with Incomplete Votes	
COMSOC Video Seminar	February, 2023
Representation with Incomplete Votes	
LAMSADE Mini-Workshop on Cooperative Games, Social Choice, and Fair Division	September, 2022
In Defense of Liquid Democracy	
Highlights Beyond EC	July, 2021
Resolving the Optimal Metric Distortion Conjecture	
Drexel Theory Seminar	May, 2021
Fair and Efficient Resource Allocation with Partial Information	
Cornell Theory Seminar	November, 2020
Resolving the Optimal Metric Distortion Conjecture	
Harvard EconCS Seminar	September, 2020
Resolving the Optimal Metric Distortion Conjecture	

WORK EXPERIENCE

Carnegie Mellon UniversityPittsburgh, PAResearch InternJun. 2019-Aug. 2019

• Advisor: Ariel D. Procaccia

CryptoNumericsToronto, ONSoftware DeveloperApr. 2018-Jul. 2020

• Startup focused on machine learning and cryptography.

REFERENCES

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