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EDUCATION

Harvard University Cambridge, MA

Ph.D. in Computer Science Aug. 2020–Jun. 2025

• Advisor: Ariel D. Procaccia

University of Toronto Toronto, ON

B.Sc. in Computer Science with High Distinction Sep. 2016–Jun. 2020

PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

Google Research Mountain View, CA

Research Scientist Jul. 2025–

CONFERENCE PUBLICATIONS

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

- C22. Online Envy Minimization and Multicolor Discrepancy: Equivalences and Separations.
 - (α) D. Halpern, A. Psomas, P. Verma, and D. Xie.
 - In Proceedings of the 26th ACM Conference on Economics and Computation (EC), 2025.
- C21. The Proportional Veto Principle for Approval Ballots.
 - (α) D. Halpern, A. D. Procaccia, and W. Suksompong.
 - In Proceedings of the 34th International Joint Conference on Artificial Intelligence (IJCAI), 2025.
- 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 AI 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.
 - (α) 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.

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.

WORKING PAPERS

W1. Pairwise Calibrated Rewards for Pluralistic Alignment.

D. Halpern, E. Micha, I. Shapira, and A. D. Procaccia.

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 |

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

GEC Academy
Teaching Fellow
Summer 2024

• Mathematics for Economics

Harvard University
Teaching Fellow
Cambridge, MA
Spring 2022

• Optimized Democracy (CS238)

University of TorontoToronto, ONUndergraduate Teaching AssistantSpring 2020

• Data Structures and Analysis (CSC263)

• Algorithm Design, Analysis & Complexity (CSC373)

Resolving the Optimal Metric Distortion Conjecture

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), STOC ('25)

INVITED TALKS

| National University of Singapore Workshop on Algorithmics of Fair Division and Social Choice Aggregating Preferences with Limited Queries | December, 2024 |
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| 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 |

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