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Education

Northeastern University (2020 - 2025 Expected)

Ph.D. Candidate, Computer Science

Khoury College of Computer Sciences and Network Science Institute

Advisor: Professor Tina Eliassi-Rad

Princeton University (2018)

B.S.E in Computer Science with Certificate in Statistics and Machine Learning

 $summa\ cum\ laude$ 

Undergraduate Advisor: Professor Matthew J. Salganik

**Publications** 

**David Liu**, Virginie Do, Nicolas Usunier, Maximilian Nickel. 2023. Group Fairness Without Demographics Using Social Networks. In 2023 ACM Conference on Fairness, Accountability, and Transparency (FAccT '23). [pdf]

**David Liu** and Tina Eliassi-Rad. 2023. Identifying and Mitigating Instability in Embeddings of the Degenerate Core. In *Proceedings of the 2023 SIAM Data Mining Conference (SDM)*. [pdf]

Agapi Rissaki\*, Bruno Scarone\*, **David Liu**, Aditeya Pandey, Brennan Klein, Tina Eliassi-Rad, and Michelle A. Borkin. 2022. BiaScope: Visual Unfairness Diagnosis for Graph Embeddings. *Symposium on Visualization in Data Science at IEEE VIS (VDS '22)*. [pdf]

**David Liu\***, Priyanka Nanayakkara\*, Sarah Sakha, Grace Abuhamad, Su Lin Blodgett, Nicholas Diakopoulos, Jessica Hullman, and Tina Eliassi-Rad. 2022. Examining Responsibility and Deliberation in AI Impact Statements and Ethics Reviews. In *Proceedings of the 2022 AAAI/ACM Conference on AI, Ethics, and Society (AIES '22').* [pdf]

**David Liu**, Zohair Shafi, William Fleisher, Tina Eliassi-Rad, and Scott Alfeld. 2021. RAWLSNET: Altering Bayesian Networks to Encode Rawlsian Fair Equality of Opportunity. In *Proceedings of the 2021 AAAI/ACM Conference on AI, Ethics, and Society (AIES '21)*. [pdf]

**David Liu** and Matthew J. Salganik. Successes and struggles with computational reproducibility: Lessons from the fragile families challenge. *Socius*, 5:1–21, 2019. [pdf]

**Preprints** 

**David Liu**, Jackie Baek, and Tina Eliassi-Rad. 2023. When Collaborative Filtering is not Collaborative: Unfairness of PCA for Recommendations. [pdf]

# Public Scholarship

Cynthia Conti-Cook, Roya Pakzad, Sarah Ariyan Sakha, and **David Liu**. 2023. A Guiding Framework for Vetting Technology Vendors Operating in the Public Sector. A research report by the Ford Foundation. [link].

**David Liu** and Sarah Sakha. Power: The exclusionary costs of large-scale computing. In *A New AI Lexicon* by The AI Now Institute. [link]

#### **Tutorials**

2023 ACM Conference on Fairness, Accountability, and Transparency (FAccT '23): Translation/Dialogue Tutorial: A Guiding Framework for Vetting Technology Vendors Operating in the Public Sector (with Cynthia Conti-Cook, Roya Pakzad, and Sarah Ariyan Sakha), Chicago, IL, June 2023.

### Posters

**David Liu**. Disaggregating bike-share mobility data to measure urban segregation over time. *The* 9<sup>th</sup> *International Conference on Computational Social Science* (IC2S2), Copenhagen, Denmark, July 2023.

**David Liu** and Tina Eliassi-Rad. Increasing the Stability of Embeddings of the Degenerate Core. *The 2022 International Conference on Network Science* (NetSci), Virtual Conference, July 2022. (oral presentation)

**David Liu**. Uncovering the Evolution of Mukbang Videos on Youtube. The 7<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Computational Social Science (IC2S2), Virtual Conference, July 2021.

**David Liu**. Uncovering the Evolution of Mukbang Videos on Youtube. *Networks 2021: A Joint Sunbelt and NetSci Conference*, Virtual Conference, July 2021. (poster presentation)

# Professional Experience

University of California, Berkeley - Visiting Graduate Student Fall 2022 Simons Institute Program on "Graph Limits and Processes on Networks: From Epidemics to Misinformation"

Meta AI (FAIR) - AI Research Intern Supervisor: Maximilian Nickel	May 2022 - Aug 2022
Bloomberg LP - Software Engineer	Jul 2018 - Sep 2020
The New York Times - Software Intern	Jun 2017 - Aug 2017

# Awards and Honors

2023	SDM Doctoral Forum and Travel Award
2021	NSF Graduate Research Fellowship (GRFP)

## 2018 Sigma Xi Nomination

## Activities

2021	Subtle CSCW Traits: Tensions around Identity Formation and Online Ac-
	tivism in the Asian Diaspora, workshop participant.

<sup>2020</sup> ML Reproducibility Challenge, participant.

### **Invited Talks**

- 2021 MD4SG Working Group on Discrimination in Algorithmic Decision-making, Invited Speaker. Online.
- 2019 RabbitMQ Summit, Keynote Speaker. Growing a farm of rabbits to scale financial applications. London, UK.
- 2016 Fragile Families Challenge Scientific Workshop, Invited Speaker. Princeton, NJ.

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Academic Service

ICLR '23 Program Committee
AIES '21, '22, '23 Program Committee
FAccT '23 Program Committee
WWW '23 Subreviewer

WWW '23 Subreviewer NeurIPS '21 Student Volunteer