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Professional Appointments

- 2023 – now **Lecturer**
School of Electronic Engineering and Computer Science
Queen Mary, University of London
- 2021 – 2023 **Research Associate**
Max Planck Institute for Software Systems
Advised by: Joël Ouaknine and James Worrell
- 2019 – 2021 **Research Associate**
University of Oxford
Advised by: Joël Ouaknine and James Worrell
- 2018 – 2019 **Research Associate**
University of Warsaw
Advised by: Mikołaj Bojańczyk
- 2017 – 2018 **Research Associate**
Technical University of Munich
Advised by: Anca Muscholl and Jan Křetínský

Education

- 2013 – 2016 **Doctorate**, LaBRI, Université de Bordeaux, France
Thesis title: Two-Player Stochastic Games with Perfect and Zero Information
Advisors: Hugo Gimbert and François Dufour
- 2011 – 2013 **Masters**, Université de Bordeaux, France
Thesis title: Value 1 Problem for Probabilistic Automata
Advisor: Hugo Gimbert
Mention: Très bien
- 2007 – 2010 **BEng**, Informatics, Universiteti i Prishtinës, Republic of Kosovo

Interests

I am broadly interested in theoretical computer science, with a focus on algorithmic verification, logics, automata, games, and dynamical systems.





Awards and Grants

2026 - 2029 Leverhulme Research Project Grant





£202,936









Publications

Journal Articles

- 2023 Hugo Gimbert, Edon Kelmendi. Submixing and Shift-Invariant Stochastic Games. *International Journal of Game Theory (IJGT)* 52(4): 1179-1214. doi:[10.1007/S00182-023-00860-5](https://doi.org/10.1007/S00182-023-00860-5). 
- 2023 Edon Kelmendi. Computing the Density of the Positivity Set for Linear Recurrence Sequences. *Logical Methods in Computer Science (LMCS)*, November 28, 2023, Volume 19, Issue 4 doi:[10.46298/lmcs-19\(4:16\)2023](https://doi.org/10.46298/lmcs-19(4:16)2023)
- 2022 Julia Eisentraut, Edon Kelmendi, Jan Křetínský, Maximilian Weininger. Value Iteration for Simple Stochastic Games: Stopping Criterion and Learning. *Information and Computation*, Volume 285, Part B, 104886 (**Inf. Comput.** 285) doi:[10.1016/j.ic.2022.104886](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ic.2022.104886) 
- Toghrul Karimov, Edon Kelmendi, Joël Ouaknine, James Worrell. What's Decidable About Discrete Linear Dynamical Systems? In: *Raskin, JF., Chatterjee, K., Doyen, L., Majumdar, R. (eds) Principles of Systems Design. Lecture Notes in Computer Science*, vol 13660. Springer, Cham. doi:[10.1007/978-3-031-22337-2_2](https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-031-22337-2_2) 
- 2015 Nathanaël Fijalkow, Hugo Gimbert, Edon Kelmendi, Youssouf Oualhadj. Deciding the Value 1 Problem for Probabilistic Leaktight Automata. *Logical Methods in Computer Science (LMCS)* Volume 11, Issue 2 doi:[10.2168/LMCS-11\(2:12\)2015](https://doi.org/10.2168/LMCS-11(2:12)2015) 

Conference Proceedings

- 2025 Toghrul Karimov, Edon Kelmendi, Joël Ouaknine, James Worrell. Multiple Reachability in Linear Dynamical Systems *Proceedings of the 40th Annual ACM/IEEE Symposium on Logic in Computer Science (LICS)*. 
- 2023 Faraz Ghahremani, Edon Kelmendi, Joël Ouaknine. Reachability in Injective Piecewise Affine Maps *Proceedings of the 38th Annual ACM/IEEE Symposium on Logic in Computer Science (LICS)* doi:[10.1109/LICS56636.2023.10175723](https://doi.org/10.1109/LICS56636.2023.10175723). 
- Toghrul Karimov, Edon Kelmendi, Joris Nieuwveld, Joël Ouaknine, James Worrell. The Power of Positivity. *Proceedings of the 38th Annual ACM/IEEE Symposium on Logic in Computer Science (LICS)* doi:[10.1109/LICS56636.2023.10175758](https://doi.org/10.1109/LICS56636.2023.10175758)
- 2022 Edon Kelmendi. Computing the Density of the Positivity Set for Linear Recurrence Sequences. *Proceedings of the 37th Annual ACM/IEEE Symposium on Logic in Computer Science (LICS)* doi:[10.1145/3531130.3532399](https://doi.org/10.1145/3531130.3532399). **Distinguished Paper Award.** 
- 2021 Shaull Almagor, Toghrul Karimov, Edon Kelmendi, Joël Ouaknine, James Worrell. Deciding ω -Regular Properties on Linear Recurrence Sequences. *Proceedings of the ACM on Programming Languages (POPL)*, Volume 5, Article No.: 48 doi:[10.1145/3434329](https://doi.org/10.1145/3434329) 

- 2020 Shaull Almagor, Edon Kelmendi, Joël Ouaknine, James Worrell. Invariants for Continuous Linear Dynamical Systems. *Proceedings of the 47th International Colloquium on Automata, Languages, and Programming (ICALP)*, 107:1–107:15 doi:[10.4230/LIPIcs.ICALP.2020.107](https://doi.org/10.4230/LIPIcs.ICALP.2020.107) 
- Mikołaj Bojańczyk, Edon Kelmendi, Rafał Stefański, Georg Zetsche. Extensions of ω -Regular Languages. *Proceedings of the 35th Annual ACM/IEEE Symposium on Logic in Computer Science (LICS)*, Pages 266-272 doi:[10.1145/3373718.3394779](https://doi.org/10.1145/3373718.3394779) 
- 2019 Mikołaj Bojańczyk, Edon Kelmendi, Michał Skrzypczak. MSO+ ∇ is undecidable. *Proceedings of the 34th Annual ACM/IEEE Symposium on Logic in Computer Science (LICS)*, Pages 1-13 doi:[10.1109/LICS.2019.8785892](https://doi.org/10.1109/LICS.2019.8785892) 
- 2018 Edon Kelmendi, Julia Krämer, Jan Křetínský, Maximilian Weininger. Value Iteration for Simple Stochastic Games: Stopping Criterion and Learning Algorithm. In *Computer Aided Verification (CAV)*. *Lecture Notes in Computer Science*, vol 10981. pp 623-642. Springer, Cham. doi:[10.1007/978-3-319-96145-3_36](https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-319-96145-3_36) 
- 2017 Mikołaj Bojańczyk, Hugo Gimbert, Edon Kelmendi. Emptiness of Zero Automata is Decidable. In *Proceedings of the 44th International Colloquium on Automata, Languages, and Programming (ICALP)*, 106:1–106:13 doi:[10.4230/LIPIcs.ICALP.2017.106](https://doi.org/10.4230/LIPIcs.ICALP.2017.106) 
- Nathanaël Fijalkow, Hugo Gimbert, Edon Kelmendi, Denis Kuperberg. Stamina: Stabilisation Monoids in Automata Theory. In *Implementation and Application of Automata (CIAA)*. *Lecture Notes in Computer Science*, vol 10329. Springer, Cham. doi:[10.1007/978-3-319-60134-2_9](https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-319-60134-2_9)  
- 2016 Edon Kelmendi, Hugo Gimbert. Deciding Maxmin Reachability in Half-Blind Stochastic Games. In *Symposium of Algorithmic Game Theory (SAGT)*. *Lecture Notes in Computer Science*, vol 9928. Springer, Berlin. doi:[10.1007/978-3-662-53354-3_5](https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-662-53354-3_5) 

Program Committees

- 2025 Mathematical Foundations of Computer Science
- 2024 Foundations of Software Technology and Theoretical Computer Science

Teaching

- 2023 – now *Algorithms and Data Structures* Queen Mary University of London. UG
- 2023 – now *Object-Oriented Programming*, Queen Mary University of London. UG
- 2020 – 2021 *Probabilistic Model Checking*, Tutorials. University of Oxford PG
- 2016 – 2017 *Logique et Preuve*, Tutorials and some lectures. Université de Bordeaux. UG
- Coloration Informatique*, Tutorials. Université de Bordeaux. UG
- 2015 – 2016 *Informatique Théorique 1*, Tutorials and some lectures. Université de Bordeaux. UG
- Algorithmes et Programmes*, Tutorials. Université de Bordeaux. UG

Student supervision

Intern

2022 – 2022 Faraz Ghahremani

Summer internship at Max Planck Institute for Software Systems

Languages

Albanian Native

English Fluent

French Advanced