

Justin Lubin

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Curriculum Vitae, April 2023

Research Vision

Computation is empowering, and programming languages are how we harness it. To that end, I study the human aspect of programming to make programming languages, environments, and tools that are more accessible, intuitive, and powerful.

Primary area: programming languages **Secondary area:** human-computer interaction

Education

University of California, Berkeley 2020–
PhD in Computer Science
Advisor: Sarah E. Chasins

University of Chicago 2016–2020
BS in Computer Science (Honors), BS in Mathematics, Minor in Music. *Summa cum laude*.
Advisor: Ravi Chugh
Honors Thesis: [Forging Smyth: The Impl. of Program Sketching with Live Bidirectional Evaluation](#)

Research Internships

Carnegie Mellon University 2018
Advisors: Jonathan Aldrich (CMU), Alex Potanin (Victoria University of Wellington)
Project: [Approximating Polymorphic Effects with Capabilities](#)

Peer-Reviewed Conference and Journal Publications

[Exploring the Learnability of Program Synthesizers by Novice Programmers](#) UIST 2022
Dhanya Jayagopal*, Justin Lubin*, and Sarah E. Chasins (* *equal contribution*)
In *Proceedings of the ACM Symposium on User Interface Software and Technology*.

[How Statically-Typed Functional Programmers Write Code](#) OOPSLA 2021
Justin Lubin and Sarah E. Chasins
In *Proceedings of the ACM on Programming Languages (PACMPL)*, Issue OOPSLA.

[Program Sketching with Live Bidirectional Evaluation](#) ICFP 2020
Justin Lubin, Nick Collins, Cyrus Omar, and Ravi Chugh
In *Proceedings of the ACM on Programming Languages (PACMPL)*, Issue ICFP.

[Sketch-n-Sketch: Output-Directed Programming for SVG](#) UIST 2019
Brian Hempel, Justin Lubin, and Ravi Chugh
In *Proceedings of the ACM Symposium on User Interface Software and Technology*.

[Deuce: A Lightweight User Interface for Structured Editing](#) ICSE 2018
Brian Hempel, Justin Lubin, Grace Lu, and Ravi Chugh
In *Proceedings of the International Conference on Software Engineering*.

Workshop Publications

Searching for Incidental Specifications

PLATEAU 2023

Jeremy Ferguson*, Kevin Ye*, Jacob Yim*, and Justin Lubin (* equal contribution)

In *Proceedings of the Workshop on Evaluation and Usability of Programming Languages and Tools*.

Type-Directed Program Transformations for the Working Functional Programmer

PLATEAU 2019

Justin Lubin and Ravi Chugh

In *Proceedings of the Workshop on Evaluation and Usability of Programming Languages and Tools*.

Honors

NSF Graduate Research Fellowship (GRFP)

2020–2025

Special Recognition for Outstanding Review

CHI 2023

Outstanding Graduate Student Instructor Award

2022

Student Research Competitions

3rd Place Graduate at CHI, *How Statically-Typed Functional Programmers Author Code* 2021

1st Place Undergraduate at SPLASH, *Approximating Polymorphic Effects with Capabilities* 2018

Honor Societies

Sigma Xi 2020–

Phi Beta Kappa 2019–

Academic Honors

Enrico Fermi Scholar (University of Chicago) 2020

Harper Award (University of Chicago) 2020

Student Marshal (University of Chicago) 2019–2020

Dean's List (University of Chicago) 2016–2020

Invited Talks and Other Presentations

Exploring the Learnability of Program Synthesizers by Novice Programmers

EPIC Advance 2022 2022

How Statically-Typed Functional Programmers Write Code

UPenn PLClub 2022

UCSD Programming Languages Seminar 2021

Programming Workshop for Experimental Biologists

Nuñez Lab 2023

Guest Lectures

User-Centered Design @ CS 294: Building User-Centered Programming Tools 2023

Compiler Optimizations @ CS 164: Programming Languages and Compilers 2021

Teaching

University of California, Berkeley

CS 164: Programming Languages and Compilers (TA) Fall 2022

CS 164: Programming Languages and Compilers (Head TA) Fall 2021

Received Outstanding Graduate Student Instructor Award

University of Chicago

CMSC 22300: Functional Programming (TA) Spring 2020

CMSC 16100: Honors Introduction to Programming I (Grader) Fall 2018

Professional Activities and External Service

Dagstuhl

Theories of Programming 2022

Organizing Committee

PLATEAU Workshop 2023

External Reviewer

ACM Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems CHI 2023

Received Special Recognition for Outstanding Review

Formal Methods in System Design FMSD 2022

ACM Symposium on User Interface Software and Technology UIST 2021

Social Sessions Co-Organizer

PL+HCI “Swimmer” School 2022

Student Volunteer

Elm in the Spring Conference 2019

International Conference on Functional Programming (ICFP) 2018

Mentorship

Research Advisees

Jeremy Ferguson (Undergraduate @ UC Berkeley) 2022–

2nd Place Undergraduate at POPL SRC 2023: Synthesizing Vectorized Code via Verified Lifting

Co-first author at PLATEAU 2023

Kevin Ye (Undergraduate @ UC Berkeley) 2022–

Co-first author at PLATEAU 2023

Jacob Yim (Undergraduate @ UC Berkeley) 2022–

Co-first author at PLATEAU 2023

Fayaz Shaik (Undergraduate @ Ohlone College; TTE REU mentee) 2021–2022

Dhanya Jayagopal (Undergraduate and MS @ UC Berkeley; MS advisee) 2020–2022

MS Thesis: Study of Program Synthesizers & Novice Programmers

Co-first author at UIST 2022

SIGPLAN-M Mentees

Carolina Carreira (PhD @ CMU Portugal)	2022–
Adharsh Kamath (Research Fellow @ MSR India)	2022–

Additional Mentees

Kasozi Vincent (MS @ University of Chlef)	2022
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Internal Service

UC Berkeley Programming Systems Research Group

Visit Days Area Student Coordinator	2022
Seminar Organizer	2021–2022
Graduate Admissions Student Representative (reviewed 110 applications)	Winter 2021
Visit Days Peer Advisor	2021–2023

UC Berkeley EECS Department

EECS Peers (Graduate Student Peer Support Organization) Mentor	2022–
Women in Computer Science and Electrical Engineering Mentor	2022–

Community Service

#ShutdownPL, Co-organizer	2020–2022
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Organization to identify, discuss, and organize around opportunities for anti-racist change in the programming languages community.