

# Giovanna Kobus Conrado

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## RESEARCH INTERESTS

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Parameterized Algorithms, Graph Theory, Static Analysis, Automata Theory

## EMPLOYMENT

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**Postdoctoral researcher**      Oct 2025 - Present  
*Aarhus University, Denmark*  
Supervised by Andreas Pavlogiannis

## EDUCATION

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**Doctor of Philosophy, Computer Science and Engineering**      Sep 2021-Aug 2025  
*Hong Kong University of Science and Technology, Hong Kong*  
Advisors: Amir Goharshady and Pedro Sander  
Thesis: “Parameterized Graph Algorithms and Their Role in Static Program Analysis”

**Bachelor’s Degree, Computer Science**      Feb 2017-Jul 2021  
*University of São Paulo, Brazil*  
Bachelor’s Thesis “Algorithms for the 2D ham sandwich problem”

## PUBLICATIONS

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**Combinatorial Parameterized Algorithms for Chemical Descriptors based on Molecular Graph Sparsity**      LAGOS 2025  
*G.K. Conrado, A.K. Goharshady, H.J. Motwani, S. Novozhilov*  
Accepted for publication

**CFL-based Methods for Approximating Interleaved Dyck Reachability**      STTT 2025  
*G.K. Conrado, A. Pavlogiannis*

**Program Analysis via Multiple Context Free Language Reachability**      POPL 2025  
*G.K. Conrado, A. H. Kjelstrøm, A. Pavlogiannis, J. van de Pol*  
CORE A\*

**PYRAMID: A Protocol for Private and Trustless Multi-level Marketing on the Blockchain**      IEEE BCCA 2024  
*G.K. Conrado, A.K. Goharshady, K.N. Long Nguyen*

<b>A Better Approximation for Interleaved Dyck Reachability</b> <i>G.K. Conrado, A. Pavlogiannis</i> Best Presentation Award	SOAP 2024
<b>Faster Treewidth-based Approximations for Wiener Index</b> <i>G.K. Conrado, A.K. Goharshady, P. Hudec, Pingjiang Li, H.J. Motwani</i> CORE B	SEA 2024
<b>The Bounded Pathwidth of Control-flow Graphs</b> <i>G.K. Conrado, A.K. Goharshady, C.K. Lam</i> CORE A	OOPSLA 2023
<b>Exploiting the Sparseness of Control-flow and Call Graphs for Efficient and On-demand Algebraic Program Analysis</b> <i>G.K. Conrado, A.K. Goharshady, K. Kochev, Y.C. Tsai, A.K. Zaher</i> CORE A	OOPSLA 2023

## GRANTS

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<b>Hong Kong PhD Fellowship Scheme</b> Fellowship established by the Research Grants Council of Hong Kong. The Fellowship provides an annual stipend of HK\$322,800 (approximately US\$41,400). It is highly competitive with a less than 2% acceptance rate.	2021 - 2024
<b>Redbird Scholarship Program</b> HKUST award in recognition of outstanding academic performance and research capacity.	2021

## VISITS

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<b>IIT Bombay</b> <i>Research Intern</i> Internship under the supervision of Prof. S. Akshay. Worked on the application of parameterization techniques in Program Synthesis and Petri Nets.	Janary 2025-February 2025
<b>Aarhus University</b> <i>Research Intern</i> Internship under the supervision of Prof. Andreas Pavlogiannis. Worked mostly on problems related to interleaved Dyck reachability.	July 2023-January 2024

## TEACHING AND SUPERVISION

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<b>TA, Computational Geometry</b> <i>Hong Kong University of Science and Technology, Hong Kong</i> Prof. David Mount	Spring 2024
<b>Instructor, Saudi Arabia IOI camp</b> <i>Malik Abdulaziz Foundation for Giftedness and Creativity, Saudi Arabia</i>	February 2023
<b>TA, Advanced Algorithms</b> <i>Hong Kong University of Science and Technology, Hong Kong</i> Prof. Amir Goharshady	Fall 2022
<b>TA, Design and Analysis of Algorithms</b> <i>Hong Kong University of Science and Technology, Hong Kong</i> Prof. Dimitris Papadias	Spring 2022
<b>Instructor, ICPC Summer School</b> <i>Unicamp, Brazil</i>	January 2022
<b>Lecturer, Programming Challenges 2</b> <i>University of São Paulo, Brazil</i>	Spring 2021
<b>TA, Problem Solving Programming Strategies</b> <i>Texas A&amp;M University, USA</i> Prof. John Keyser	Spring 2019
<b>TA, Introduction to Computer Science</b> <i>University of São Paulo, Brazil</i> Prof. Yoshiharu Kohayakawa	Fall 2018
<b>Instructor, UFRGS Winter School</b> <i>Universidade Federal do Rio Grande do Sul, Brazil</i>	July 2018
<b>TA, Mathematics for Computer Science</b> <i>University of São Paulo, Brazil</i> Prof. Yoshiharu Kohayakawa	Spring 2018

## SCHOOLS AND WORKSHOPS ATTENDED

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<b>Czech Summer School in Discrete Mathematics</b> <i>Charles University, Prague, Czech Republic</i> Attended courses “Combinatorial and algorithmic applications of twin-width” by Édouard Bonnet and “Poset inequalities” by Igor Pak	July 2024
<b>EPIT 2024 - Graphs and Algorithms: Conjectures</b> <i>CAES, Aussois, France</i> Attended courses on width parameters, forbidden induced structures, coloring, distributed graph algorithms and games on graphs and hypergraphs	May 2024
<b>Swedish Summer School in Computer Science 2022</b> <i>KTH Stockholm, Sweden</i> Completed courses “The Method of Moments in Computer Science and Beyond” by Ankur Moitra and “Polyhedral Techniques in Combinatorial Optimization” by Ola Svensson	June 2022

**XVII Summer School in Discrete Mathematics**

Jan 2022

*CMM - Center for Mathematical Modeling — FCFM — Universidad de Chile, Chile*

Completed courses “Graph Turán problems” by Boris Bukh, “Prophets, Secretaries, and other online puzzles” by Shuchi Chawla and “Submodular functions in combinatorial optimization” by Jan Vondrak

**Paulista Workshop in Optimization, Combinatorics and Algorithms**

Nov 2020

Worked on the complexity of searching in random partial orders in the random graph model (problem proposed by Yoshikaru Kohayakawa)