

Leonid Petrov. Brief CV

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Research areas

Probability, Mathematical Physics, Algebraic Combinatorics, Representation Theory.

Education

2010: Ph.D., Institute for Information Transmission Problems.

2007: Diploma, Lomonosov Moscow State University, Department of Mathematics and Mechanics (specialization in Probability).

Appointments

Since 2024: Professor
at Department of Mathematics, University of Virginia, Charlottesville, VA, USA.

2019–2024: Associate Professor
at Department of Mathematics, University of Virginia, Charlottesville, VA, USA.

2014–2019: Assistant Professor
at Department of Mathematics, University of Virginia, Charlottesville, VA, USA.

2011–2014: Research Instructor
at Department of Mathematics, Northeastern University, Boston, MA, USA.

2009–2011: Research associate
at Dobrushin Mathematics Laboratory, Institute for Information Transmission Problems, Moscow, Russia.

Visiting Appointments

Spring 2024: Senior Fellow
IPAM Program “Geometry, Statistical Mechanics, and Integrability”

- Fall 2021: Research Professor
 MSRI Program “Universality and Integrability in Random Matrix Theory and Interacting Particle Systems”
- 2017–2018: Visiting Assistant Professor
 at Department of Mathematics, MIT, Cambridge, MA, USA.

Recent prizes/funding

- 2025–2030: Simons Foundation International Travel Support for Mathematicians SFI-MPS-TSM-00013561 “Combinatorial Structures at Large Scale through Integrability”, \$42,000.
- 2022–2026: NSF DMS grant 2153869 “Random Systems from Symmetric Functions and Vertex Models”, \$320,654.
- 2022–2024: 4-VA at UVA Collaborative Research Grant program “Randomness by algebraic structures”, \$30,000.
- 2020–2025: Simons Collaboration Grant for Mathematicians 709055 “Distributional symmetries in stochastic systems”, \$42,000.
- 2019: The 2020 Bernoulli prize for an outstanding survey article in probability (jointly with Alexei Borodin for the paper *Integrable probability: From representation theory to Macdonald processes*)
- 2018–2019: PI, NSF DMS conference grant 1839534 “Workshop on Representation Theory, Combinatorics, and Geometry”, amount \$15,000.
- 2017: Simons Foundation Collaboration Grant for Mathematicians. Recommended for funding but not awarded due to the receipt of the NSF DMS grant 1664617 (as per the rules of Collaboration Grants).
- 2017–2022: PI, NSF DMS grant 1664617 “FRG: Collaborative Research: Integrable Probability”. Joint with PIs Jinho Baik (University of Michigan), Alexei Borodin, Vadim Gorin (MIT), and Ivan Corwin (Columbia University). Amount: \$193,453 (UVA part).
- 2016–2017: Co-PI, NSF DMS conference grant 1663552 “2017 Seminar on Stochastic Processes”.

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Other works

- [1] Sihan Li, Andrew Mecca, Jeewoo Kim, Giusy Caprara, Elizabeth Wagner, Ting-Ting Du, Leonid Petrov, Wenhao Xu, Runjia Cui, Ivan Rebustini, Bechara Kachar, Anthony Peng, and Jung-Bum Shin, *Myosin-VIIa is expressed in multiple isoforms and essential for tensioning the hair cell mechanotransduction complex*. Nature Communications, 11, Article number: 2066 (2020). <https://www.nature.com/articles/s41467-020-15936-z>. 15 pages.

Students and postdocs

1. [Yizhen Li](#), UVA Ph.D. student 2024-29
2. [Mikhail Tikhonov](#), UVA Ph.D. student 2020-26
3. [Daniel Slonom](#), UVA postdoc 2022-24 (to be Tenure Track at Hillsdale College)
4. [Svetlana Gavrilova](#), HSE bachelor thesis, 2020-21 (now Ph.D. student at MIT)
5. [Axel Saenz](#), UVA postdoc 2016-19 (now Tenure Track at Oregon State)

Recent organization and service

- 2026: [Coin Flippers 2026: The ICM Satellite Edition](#), University of Delaware, Newark, DE, July 21-22, 2026.
- 2026: [AMS Special Session on Random Tilings, Random Permutations, and Particle Systems](#), Joint Mathematics Meetings, Washington, DC, January 4-7, 2026.

- 2025: Section at the [Mathematical Congress of the Americas 2025](#), University of Miami, Miami, FL, July 21-25, 2025.
- 2025: [AIM workshop “All roads to the KPZ universality class”](#), AIM, Caltech, Pasadena, CA, March 17-21, 2025.
- 2024: [Blue Ridge Probability Day at University of Virginia](#), October 4, 2024.
- 2024: [Virginia Integrable Probability Summer School 2024](#), July 8-19, 2024.
- 2024: [Workshop “Randomness and Lie-Theoretic Structures at University of Virginia”](#), March 4-5, 2024.
- 2024: [AMS-AWM Special Session on Solvable Lattice Models and their Applications Associated with the Noether Lecture at the Joint Mathematics Meetings 2024](#), San Francisco, CA, January 3-6, 2024.
- 2023: [SouthEastern Probability Conference - II at University of Virginia](#), August 14-15, Charlottesville, VA, 2023.
- 2014-current: [University of Virginia Probability Seminar](#)

Teaching

University of Virginia (since 2014)

Complex Variables; Introduction to Probability; Introduction to Stochastic Processes; Calculus III; Asymptotic representation theory (graduate topics course); Particle Systems (graduate topics course); Random matrices (graduate topics course); Real Analysis and Linear Spaces (graduate).

Northeastern University (2011–2014)

Calculus II for Sci&Eng; Probability and Statistics; Statistics and Stochastic Processes; Probability 1 (graduate course); Topics in Probability (graduate topics course).

Other service

- I am broadening access to AI tools for working mathematicians by [sharing best practices](#) and participating in panel discussions. I also serve as an AI guide for Department of Mathematics, University of Virginia.
- Member of the editorial boards at “[Combinatorial Theory](#)” and “[Electronic Journal/Communications of Probability](#)”.
- Program committee member for FPSAC (Formal Power Series and Algebraic Combinatorics), 2017, 2021, and 2024.

- I regularly referee scholarly journal papers submitted to numerous journals, including Ann. Prob., Adv. Math., Adv. Appl. Math., Comm. Math. Phys., Intern. J. Math., Arkiv för Mat., SIGMA, J. Alg. Comb., Comm. Pure Appl. Math., Intern. Math. Res. Notices, J. Appl. Probab., J. Comb. Theory A, Symp. Th. Aspects of Comp. Sci., J. of Stat. Physics, Electron. Comm. Probab.
- I am a regular reviewer for the Mathematical Reviews database.
- I reviewed grant proposals and served on panels for several funding agencies.
- Broadening access to AI tools for working mathematicians by sharing **best practices** and participating in panel discussions (2023).

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