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Appointments

Site Director, UIC Site, Institute for Data, Econometrics, Algorithms, and Learning (IDEAL), 2019–present¹

Professor, Mathematics, Statistics, & Computer Science, University of Illinois at Chicago, 2021–present

Professor, *by courtesy*, Computer Science, University of Illinois at Chicago, 2021–present

Associate Professor, Mathematics, Statistics, & Computer Science, University of Illinois at Chicago, 2017–2021

Associate Professor, *by courtesy*, Computer Science, University of Illinois at Chicago, 2017–2021

Visiting Associate Professor, Computer Science, Northwestern University, 2018–2019

Assistant Professor, Mathematics, Statistics, & Computer Science, University of Illinois at Chicago, 2012–2017

Assistant Professor, *by courtesy*, Computer Science, University of Illinois at Chicago, 2012–2017

Postdoctoral Fellow (*hosted by Santosh Vempala*), Computer Science, Georgia Institute of Technology, 2010–2012

Postdoctoral Research Scientist (*hosted by John Langford*), Yahoo! Research, 2009–2010

Research Intern (*hosted by David Cohn and Yoram Singer*), Google Research, Summers 2006 & 2007

Education

Ph.D. in Computer Science (*advised by Dana Angluin*), Yale University, 2009

M.Phil. in Computer Science, Yale University, 2008

M.S. in Computer Science, Yale University, 2006

B.S.E., *with honors*, in Computer Science, Princeton University, 2005

Certificate in Applied and Computational Mathematics, Princeton University, 2005

Awards

Grants (as PI or coPI)

- NSF Award [ECCS-2217023](#), \$3,180,000², PI (co-PIs: Devroye, Kash, Wu, Zheleva), 2022–2027
- NSF Award [CCF-1934915](#), \$1,500,000, PI (co-PIs: Devroye, Perkins, Sidiropoulos, Zheleva), 2019–2023
- NSF Award [CCF-1848966](#), \$100,000, PI (no coPIs), 2018–2021
- NSF Award [IIS-1526379](#), \$500,000, co-PI (PI: Ziebart), 2015–2018
- ARO Award [66497-NS](#), \$49,700, PI (no coPIs), 2015–2016

Honors and fellowships

- UIC Graduate Mentoring Award, 2020
- Georgia Tech’s College of Computing Outstanding Postdoctoral Research Award, 2012
- AISTATS Notable Paper Award, 2011
- Simons Postdoctoral Fellowship in Theoretical Computer Science, 2010–2012
- NSF Computing Innovation Postdoctoral Fellowship, 2009–2010
- COLT Best Student Paper Award, 2007
- NSF Graduate Research Fellowship, 2007–2009
- ICML Best Student Paper Award, 2006

¹ As of 2022, IDEAL has sites at UIC, NU, TTI-C, UC, and IIT. The UIC site was previously called the Foundations of Data Science Institute.

² This is UIC’s portion of a \$10M collaborative award to fund IDEAL. UIC is the lead institution on this grant, and I am the lead PI.

Papers³

Published research articles⁴

1. Ian A. Kash, Lev Reyzin, Zishun Yu. [Slowly Changing Adversarial Bandit Algorithms are Provably Efficient for Discounted MDPs](#). To appear in *Proceedings of the 35th International Conference on Algorithmic Learning Theory (ALT)*, 2024, 37 p.
2. Lev Reyzin, Duan Tu. [On Sample Reuse Methods for Answering k-wise Statistical Queries](#). To appear in *Proceedings of the 18th International Symposium on Artificial Intelligence and Mathematics (ISAIM)*, 2024.
3. Bethany Austhof, Lev Reyzin. [A Model for Optimizing Recalculation Schedules to Minimize Regret](#). To appear in *Proceedings of the 18th International Symposium on Artificial Intelligence and Mathematics (ISAIM)*, 2024.
4. Xing Gao, Thomas Maranzatto, Lev Reyzin. [A Unified Analysis of Dynamic Interactive Learning](#). In *Proceedings of the 59th Annual Allerton Conference on Communication, Control, and Computing* (Allerton), 2023.
5. James Freitag, Neshat Mohammadi, Aditya Potukuchi, Lev Reyzin. [On the Geometry of Stable Steiner Tree Instances](#). In *Proceedings of the 34th Canadian Conference on Computational Geometry (CCCG)*, 2022, pp. 156–161.
6. Mano Vikash Janardhanan, Lev Reyzin. [On Learning a Hidden Directed Graph with Path Queries](#). In *Proceedings of the 58th Annual Allerton Conference on Communication, Control, and Computing* (Allerton), 2022, 5 p.
7. Xing Gao, Lev Reyzin. [An Interactive Search Game with Two Agents](#). In *Proceedings of the 58th Annual Allerton Conference on Communication, Control, and Computing* (Allerton), 2022, 8 p.
8. Avrim Blum, Shelby Heinecke, Lev Reyzin. [Communication-Aware Collaborative Learning](#). In *Proceedings of the 35th AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence (AAAI)*, 2021, pp. 6786–6793.
9. Benjamin Fish, Lev Reyzin. [On the Complexity of Learning a Class Ratio from Unlabeled Data](#). In the *Journal of Artificial Intelligence Research*, Volume 69, 2020, pp. 1333–1349.
10. Daniel Berend, Aryeh Kontorovich, Lev Reyzin, Thomas Robinson. [On Biased Random Walks, Corrupted Intervals, and Learning Under Adversarial Design](#). In *Annals of Mathematics and Artificial Intelligence*, Volume 8, Issue 88, 2020, pp. 887–905.
11. Benjamin Fish, Lev Reyzin, Benjamin I. P. Rubinstein. [Sampling Without Compromising Accuracy in Adaptive Data Analysis](#). In *Proceedings of the 31st International Conference on Algorithmic Learning Theory (ALT)*, 2020, pp. 297–318.
12. Shelby Heinecke, Lev Reyzin. [Crowdsourced PAC Learning under Classification Noise](#). In *Proceedings of the 7th AAAI Conference on Human Computation and Crowdsourcing (HCOMP)*, 2019, pp. 41–49.
13. Lev Reyzin. [Unprovability Comes to Machine Learning](#). In *Nature*, Volume 565, Issue 7738, 2019, News and Views, pp. 166–167.
14. Shelby Heinecke, Will Perkins, Lev Reyzin. [On the Resilience of Bipartite Networks](#). In *Proceedings of the 56th Annual Allerton Conference on Communication, Control, and Computing* (Allerton), 2018, pp. 72–77.
15. Benjamin Fish, Lev Reyzin. [On the Complexity of Learning from Label Proportions](#). In *Proceedings of the 26th International Joint Conference on Artificial Intelligence (IJCAI)*, 2017, pp. 1675–1681.
16. Sam Cole, Shmuel Friedland, Lev Reyzin. [A Simple Spectral Algorithm for Recovering Planted Partitions](#). In *Special Matrices*, Volume 5, Issue 1, 2017, pp. 139–157.
17. Yi Huang, Mano Vikash Janardhanan, Lev Reyzin. [Network Construction with Ordered Constraints](#). In *Proceedings of the 37th Foundations of Software Technology and Theoretical Computer Science conference (FSTTCS)*, 2017, pp. 34:1–14.

³As is customary in computer science theory, the author ordering of my papers is alphabetical. Many of my papers appear in conferences: computer science conferences are refereed and constitute the *primary* publication venue in my field. Please see [the CRA best practices memo](#).

⁴This publication list only includes archival venues and therefore excludes workshop papers and conference papers in electronic proceedings.

18. Benjamin Fish, Lev Reyzin. [Open Problem: Meeting Times for Learning Random Automata](#). In *Proceedings of the 30th Annual Conference on Learning Theory (COLT)*, 2017, pp. 8–11.
19. Vitaly Feldman, Elena Grigorescu, Lev Reyzin, Santosh Vempala, Ying Xiao. [Statistical Algorithms and a Lower Bound for Planted Clique](#). In *Journal of the ACM*, Volume 64, Issue 2, 2017, pp. 8:1–8:37.
20. Jeff Cooper, Lev Reyzin. [Improved Algorithms for Distributed Boosting](#). In *Proceedings of the 55th Annual Allerton Conference on Communication, Control, and Computing (Allerton)*, 2017, pp. 806–813.
21. Alexander Gutfraind, Jeremy Kun, Ádám D. Lelkes, Lev Reyzin. [Network Installation under Convex Costs](#). In *Journal of Complex Networks*, Volume 4, Issue 2, 2016, pp. 177–186.
22. Benjamin Fish, Yi Huang, Lev Reyzin. [Recovering Social Networks by Observing Votes](#). In *Proceedings of the 15th International Conference on Autonomous Agents and Multiagent Systems (AAMAS)*, 2016, pp. 376–384.
23. Ádám D. Lelkes, Lev Reyzin. [Interactive Clustering of Linear Classes and Cryptographic Lower Bounds](#). In *Proceedings of the 26th International Conference on Algorithmic Learning Theory (ALT)*, 2015, pp. 165–176.
24. Yi Huang, Brian Powers, Lev Reyzin. [Training-Time Optimization of a Budgeted Booster](#). In *Proceedings of the 24th International Joint Conference on Artificial Intelligence (IJCAI)*, 2015, pp. 3583–3589.
25. Dana Angluin, James Aspnes, Lev Reyzin. [Network Construction with Subgraph Connectivity Constraints](#). In *Journal of Combinatorial Optimization*, Volume 29, Issue 2, 2015, pp. 418–432.
26. Benjamin Fish, Ádám D. Lelkes, Jeremy Kun, Lev Reyzin, György Turán. [On the Computational Complexity of MapReduce](#). In *Proceedings of the 29th International Symposium on Distributed Computing (DISC)*, 2015, pp. 1–15.
27. Anqi Liu, Lev Reyzin, Brian Ziebart. [Shift-Pessimistic Active Learning using Robust Bias-Aware Prediction](#). In *Proceedings of the 29th AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence (AAAI)*, 2015, pp. 2055–2061.
28. Jeremy Kun, Lev Reyzin. [Open Problem: Learning Quantum Circuits with Queries](#). In *Proceedings of the 28th Annual Conference on Learning Theory (COLT)*, 2015, pp. 1767–1769.
29. Shalev Ben-David, Lev Reyzin. [Data Stability in Clustering: A Closer Look](#). In ALT 2012 Special Issue of *Theoretical Computer Science*, Volume 558, 2014, pp. 51–61.
30. Jeremy Kun, Lev Reyzin. [On Coloring Resilient Graphs](#). In *Proceedings of the 39th Symposium on the Mathematical Foundations of Computer Science (MFCS)*, 2014, pp. 517–528.
31. Lev Reyzin. [On Boosting Sparse Parities](#). In *Proceedings of the 28th AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence (AAAI)*, 2014, pp. 2055–2061.
32. Vitaly Feldman, Elena Grigorescu, Lev Reyzin, Santosh Vempala, Ying Xiao. [Statistical Algorithms and a Lower Bound for Planted Clique](#). In *Proceedings of the 45th ACM Symposium on the Theory of Computing (STOC)*, 2013, pp. 655–664.
33. Jeremy Kun, Brian Powers, Lev Reyzin. [Anti-Coordination Games and Stable Graph Colorings](#). In *Proceedings of the 6th International Symposium on Algorithmic Game Theory (SAGT)*, 2013, pp. 122–133.
34. Lev Reyzin. [Data Stability in Clustering: A Closer Look](#). In *Proceedings of the 23rd International Conference on Algorithmic Learning Theory (ALT)*, 2012, pp. 184–198. Invited to a special issue of *Theoretical Computer Science*.
35. Miroslav Dudík, Daniel Hsu, Satyen Kale, Nikos Karampatziakis, John Langford, Lev Reyzin, Tong Zhang. [Efficient Optimal Learning for Contextual Bandits](#). In *Proceedings of the 27th Conference on Uncertainty in Artificial Intelligence (UAI)*, 2011, pp. 169–178. (20 p. on arXiv)
36. Lev Reyzin. [Boosting on a Budget: Sampling for Feature-Efficient Prediction](#). In the *Proceedings of the 28th International Conference on Machine Learning (ICML)*, 2011, pp. 529–536.
37. Elena Grigorescu, Lev Reyzin, Santosh Vempala. [On Noise-Tolerant Learning of Sparse Parities and Related Problems](#). In *Proceedings of the 22nd International Conference on Algorithmic Learning Theory (ALT)*, 2011, pp. 413–424.

38. Wei Chu, Lihong Li, Lev Reyzin, Robert E. Schapire. [Contextual Bandits with Linear Payoff Functions](#). In *Proceedings of the 14th International Conference on Artificial Intelligence and Statistics (AISTATS)*, 2011, pp. 208–214.
39. Alina Beygelzimer, John Langford, Lihong Li, Lev Reyzin, Robert E. Schapire. [Contextual Bandit Algorithms with Supervised Learning Guarantees](#).⁵ In *Proceedings of the 14th International Conference on Artificial Intelligence and Statistics (AISTATS)*, 2011, pp. 19–26. (10 p. on arXiv)
40. Satyen Kale, Lev Reyzin, Robert E. Schapire. [Non-Stochastic Bandit Slate Problems](#). In *Proceedings of the 24th Annual Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems (NIPS)*, 2010, pp. 1045–1053. (12 p. with supplement)
41. Dana Angluin, David Eisenstat, Leonid Kontorovich, Lev Reyzin. [Lower Bounds on Learning Random Structures with Statistical Queries](#). In *Proceedings of the 21st International Conference on Algorithmic Learning Theory (ALT)*, 2010, pp. 194–208.
42. Dana Angluin, James Aspnes, Lev Reyzin. [Inferring Social Networks from Outbreaks](#). In *Proceedings of the 21st International Conference on Algorithmic Learning Theory (ALT)*, 2010, pp. 104–118.
43. Dana Angluin, James Aspnes, Lev Reyzin. [Optimally Learning Social Networks with Activations and Suppressions](#). In ALT 2008 Special Issue of *Theoretical Computer Science*, Volume 411, Issues 29–30, 2010, pp. 2729–2740.
44. Lev Reyzin. [Active Learning of Interaction Networks](#). *Yale University Doctoral Dissertation*, Dec. 2009, 156 p.
45. Dana Angluin, James Aspnes, Jiang Chen, David Eisenstat, Lev Reyzin. [Learning Acyclic Probabilistic Circuits Using Test Paths](#). In *Journal of Machine Learning Research*, Volume 10, 2009, pp. 1881–1911.
46. Dana Angluin, Leonor Becerra-Bonache, Adrian Horia Dediu, Lev Reyzin. [Learning Finite Automata Using Label Queries](#). In *Proceedings of the 20th International Conference on Algorithmic Learning Theory (ALT)*, 2009, pp. 171–185.
47. Dana Angluin, James Aspnes, Lev Reyzin. [Optimally Learning Social Networks with Activations and Suppressions](#). In *Proceedings of the 19th International Conference on Algorithmic Learning Theory (ALT)*, 2008, pp. 272–286. Invited to a special issue of *Theoretical Computer Science*.
48. Dana Angluin, James Aspnes, Jiang Chen, Lev Reyzin. [Learning Large-Alphabet and Analog Circuits with Value Injection Queries](#). In COLT 2007 Special Issue of *Machine Learning*, Volume 72, Issues 1–2, 2008, pp. 113–138.
49. Dana Angluin, James Aspnes, Jiang Chen, David Eisenstat, Lev Reyzin. [Learning Acyclic Probabilistic Circuits Using Test Paths](#). In *Proceedings of the 21st Annual Conference on Learning Theory (COLT)*, 2008, pp. 169–179.
50. Lev Reyzin, Nikhil Srivastava. [On the Longest Path Algorithm for Reconstructing Trees from Distance Matrices](#). In *Information Processing Letters*, Volume 101, Issue 3, 2007, pp. 98–100.
51. Lev Reyzin, Nikhil Srivastava. [Learning and Verifying Graphs Using Queries with a Focus on Edge Counting](#). In *Proceedings of the 18th International Conference on Algorithmic Learning Theory (ALT)*, 2007, pp. 285–297.
52. Dana Angluin, James Aspnes, Jiang Chen, Lev Reyzin. [Learning Large-Alphabet and Analog Circuits with Value Injection Queries](#).⁶ In *Proceedings of the 20th Annual Conference on Learning Theory (COLT)*, 2007, pp. 51–65. Invited to a special issue of *Machine Learning*.
53. Lev Reyzin, Robert E. Schapire. [How Boosting the Margin Can Also Boost Classifier Complexity](#).⁷ In *Proceedings of the 23rd International Conference on Machine Learning (ICML)*, 2006, pp. 753–760.

Expositions, reviews, etc.

54. Genrich Belitskii, Alexander Blokh, Michael Brin, Yuri Brudnyi, Vladimir Drinfeld, Alexandre Eremenko, Genadiy Feldman, Svetlana Jitomirskaya, Alexandre Kirillov, Valery Kirzhner, Peter Kuchment, Yuri Latushkin, Vladimir Lin, Volodymyr Marchenko, Alexander Markus, Vitali Milman, Boris Mityagin, Nikolai Nikolski, Leonid

⁵AISTATS 2011 notable paper.

⁶COLT 2007 best student paper.

⁷ICML 2006 best student paper.

Pastur, Yehuda Pinchover, Svetlana Pokrovsky, Valery Pokrovsky, Simeon Reich, Lev Reyzin, Oksana Shatalov, Mikhail Sodin, Ilya Spitkovsky, Yuri Tomilov, Anatoly Vershik, Mikhail Zaidenberg, Michail Zhitomirsky, Yakov Zhitomirsky. Yuri Ilyich Lyubich: April 22, 1931 – June 17, 2023. In *Memorium*. 2023, 15p.

55. Lev Reyzin. *Statistical Queries: Foundations and Applications*. On *arXiv*, 2004.00557. 2020, 21 p.
56. Lev Reyzin. *A Review of Famous Puzzles of Great Mathematicians* by Miodrag S. Petković. In *SIGACT News*, Volume 42, Issue 3, September 2011, pp. 36–39.
57. Dave Clarke, David Eppstein, Kaveh Ghasemloo, Lev Reyzin, András Salamon, Peter Shor, Aaron Sterling, Suresh Venkatasubramanian. *Questions Answered. In Theory*. In *SIGACT News*, Volume 41, Issue 4, 2010, pp. 58–60.

Volumes edited

58. Lev Reyzin (ed.), ISAIM 2020 Special Issue of *Annals of Mathematics and Artificial Intelligence*, Volume 90, Issue 1, 2022, 144 p. (cf. [Forward](#), pp. 1–2.)
59. Steve Hanneke, Lev Reyzin (eds.), Special Issue on Algorithmic Learning Theory in *Theoretical Computer Science*, Volume 808, 2020, 164 p. (cf. [Special issue on ALT 2017: Guest Editors' Introduction](#), p. 1.)
60. Lisa Hellerstein, Lev Reyzin, György Turán (eds.), ISAIM 2014 Special Issue of *Annals of Mathematics and Artificial Intelligence*, Volume 79, Issues 1–3, 2017, 266 p. (cf. [Forward](#), pp. 1–3.)
61. Steve Hanneke, Lev Reyzin (eds.), Proceedings of ALT 2017 in *Proceedings of Machine Learning Research*, Volume 76, 2017, 680 p. (cf. [Algorithmic Learning Theory: Preface](#), pp. 1–2.)

Teaching (as main instructor or co-instructor)

University of Illinois at Chicago

- Instructor, MCS 501: Computer Algorithms II (Spring 2024, Fall 2020)
- Instructor, MCS 549⁸: Mathematical Foundations of Data Science (Fall 2023, Fall 2022, Fall 2021, Fall 2019, Fall 2017, Spring 2015)
- Instructor, CS 401 / MCS 401: Computer Algorithms I (Fall 2023, Fall 2022, Spring 2022, Fall 2019, Fall 2018, Fall 2017, Spring 2017, Fall 2016, Spring 2016)
- Instructor, MCS 541: Computational Complexity (Spring 2023)
- Instructor, ECON 473 / STAT 473: Game Theory (Fall 2021⁹, Spring 2021, Spring 2020)
- Instructor, MCS 548: Mathematical Theory of Artificial Intelligence (Fall 2020, Fall 2018, Fall 2016, Fall 2014)
- Instructor, MCS 441: Theory of Computation I (Spring 2018, Spring 2016, Spring 2014, Spring 2013)
- Instructor, MCS 521: Combinatorial Optimization (Fall 2013)

Northwestern University

- Instructor, EECS 497-3: Advanced Topics in Computational Learning Theory (Spring 2019)
- Instructor, EECS 496-10: Computational Learning Theory (Winter 2019)

Georgia Institute of Technology

- Co-Instructor, CS 8803 / MATH 8833: Discrete Fourier Analysis & Applications (Spring 2012)

⁸In Fall 2017 and Spring 2015, “Mathematical Foundations of Data Science” was taught as a special topics course as MCS 590.

⁹In Fall 2021, “Game Theory” was offered only as STAT 473 and not cross-listed as ECON 473.

Advising and mentoring

Postdoctoral mentoring¹⁰

- Aditya Potukuchi. UIC MSCS, TRIPODS Research Assistant Professor, 2020–2022 (co-mentored with Will Perkins)
 - topics studied: discrete mathematics, probability theory, analysis of algorithms, coding theory, data science
 - current position: Assistant Professor of Computer Science at York University, Toronto, Ontario, Canada (York University was Aditya Potukuchi’s first employer after UIC.)
- Li Wang. UIC MSCS, Research Assistant Professor, 2015–2017
 - topics studied: mathematical optimization, tensors, large-data, machine learning
 - current position: Associate Professor of Mathematics at UT Arlington, Arlington, TX (UT Arlington was Li Wang’s first employer after UIC.)

Ph.D. student advising

- Bethany Austhof. UIC Mathematics, Ph.D. in progress
- Xing Gao. UIC Mathematics, Ph.D. in progress (co-advised with Yu Cheng)
- Thomas Maranzatto. UIC Mathematics, Ph.D. in progress
- Duan Tu. UIC Mathematics, Ph.D. in progress
- Saeed Hajizadeh. UIC Mathematics, Ph.D. 2023
 - dissertation title: “*Large-scale Minimax Optimization Problems*”
 - current position: Visiting Assistant Professor of Computer Science, Roosevelt University, Chicago, IL (Roosevelt was Saeed Hajizadeh’s first employer after UIC.)
- Neshat Mohammadi. UIC Computer Science, Ph.D. 2022 (co-advised with Anastasios Sidiropoulos)
 - dissertation title: “*Geometric Algorithms for Metric and Graph Learning*”
 - first position: Postdoctoral Scholar in Medicine at Stanford University, Palo Alto, CA
 - current position: Researcher at Truveta, Bellevue, WA
- Shelby Heinecke. UIC Mathematics, Ph.D. 2020
 - dissertation title: “*Resilient Structures and Robust Machine Learning Algorithms*”
 - current position: Senior Research Manager at Salesforce, Palo Alto, CA (Salesforce Research was Shelby Heinecke’s first employer after UIC.)
- Mano Vikash Janardhanan. UIC Mathematics, Ph.D. 2019
 - dissertation title: “*Algorithms for Learning Networks and Learning from Networks*”
 - first position: Applied Research Scientist at Lifion by ADP, New York, NY
 - current position: Quantitative Researcher at Balyasny Asset Management, New York, NY
- Benjamin Fish. UIC Mathematics, Ph.D. 2018
 - dissertation title: “*New Models and Algorithms for Data Analysis*”
 - first position: Postdoctoral Researcher at Microsoft Research and MILA, Montréal, Canada
 - current position: Assistant Professor of Computer Science at University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI
- Yi Huang. UIC Mathematics, Ph.D. 2017
 - dissertation title: “*Problems in Learning under Limited Resources and Information*”
 - first position: Postdoctoral Scholar in Medicine at the University of Chicago, Chicago, IL
 - current position: Research Associate in Computational Science at Brookhaven National Lab, Upton, NY

¹⁰“Research Assistant Professor” (sometimes abbreviated as “RAP”) is a common postdoctoral title in mathematics departments.

- Ádám D. Lelkes. UIC Mathematics, Ph.D. 2017 (co-advised with György Turán)
 - dissertation title: “*Algorithms and Complexity Results for Learning and Big Data*”
 - current position: Senior Software Engineer at Google Research, New York, NY (Google Research was Ádám D. Lelkes’s first employer after UIC.)
- Jeremy Kun. UIC Mathematics, Ph.D. 2016
 - dissertation title: “*Graphs, New Models, and Complexity*”
 - first position: Data Scientist at 21 Inc., San Francisco, CA
 - current position: Staff Software Engineer at Google, Mountain View, CA

Ph.D. committee memberships or equivalent (not as advisor)

- Vignesh Ganapathiram. UIC Computer Science, Ph.D. in progress (advisor: Xinhua Zhang)
- Yesu Li. UIC Computer Science, Ph. D. in progress (advisor: Brian Ziebart)
- Yingyi Ma. UIC Computer Science, Ph.D. in progress (advisor: Xinhua Zhang)
- Zhan Shi. UIC Computer Science, Ph.D. in progress (advisor: Xinhua Zhang)
- Youhan Lu. UIC Mathematics, Ph.D. 2023 (advisor: Yichao Wu)
- Zhongkai Wen. UIC Computer Science, Ph.D. 2022 (advisors: Ian Kash and Lenore Zuck)
- Mohammad Ali Bashiri. UIC Computer Science, Ph.D. 2021 (advisor: Brian Ziebart)
- Sayan Mukherjee. UIC Mathematics, Ph.D. 2021 (advisor: Dhruv Mubayi)
- Hunter Chase. UIC Mathematics, Ph.D. 2020 (advisor: James Freitag)
- Rizal Fathony. UIC Computer Science, Ph.D. 2019 (advisor: Brian Ziebart)
- Anqi Liu. UIC Computer Science, Ph.D. 2018 (advisor: Brian Ziebart)
- Lujia Wang. UIC Mathematics, Ph.D. 2018 (advisor: Dhruv Mubayi)
- Alex Cameron. UIC Mathematics, Ph.D. 2018 (advisors: Dhruv Mubayi and György Turán)
- Sam Cole. UIC Mathematics, Ph.D. 2018 (advisor: Shmuel Friedland)
- Nathan Bliss. UIC Mathematics, Ph.D. 2018 (advisor: Jan Verschelde)
- Jeff Sommars. UIC Mathematics, Ph.D. 2018 (advisor: Jan Verschelde)
- Anooshiravan Sharabiani. UIC Industrial Engineering, Ph.D. 2017 (advisor: Houshang Darabi)
- John Hardwick. UIC Mathematics, Ph.D. 2017 (advisor: Thirukkannamangai E. S. Raghavan)
- Matthew Monfort. UIC Computer Science, Ph.D. 2016 (advisor: Brian Ziebart)
- Brian Powers. UIC Mathematics, Ph.D. 2016 (advisor: Thirukkannamangai E. S. Raghavan)
- Roi Weiss. BGU Computer Science, Ph.D. 2015 (advisor: Aryeh Kontorovich)
- Xiangcheng Yu. UIC Mathematics, Ph.D. 2015 (advisor: Jan Verschelde)
- Jeffrey Cooper. UIC Mathematics, Ph.D. 2014 (advisor: Dhruv Mubayi)
- Randall Stading. UIC Mathematics, Ph.D. 2014 (advisor: Dhruv Mubayi)
- Dimitris Diochnos. UIC Mathematics, Ph.D. 2013 (advisor: György Turán)
- Habiba Habiba. UIC Computer Science, Ph.D. 2013 (advisor: Tanya Berger-Wolf)

Talks

I have delivered many contributed and invited lectures, tutorials, panel contributions, colloquia, etc. at conference, university, and industrial venues across the United States and also internationally. Details can be provided upon request.

Reviewing and editorial work

Journals

- editorial board: editorial board reviewer for *Journal of Machine Learning Research* (2020–present), member of the editorial board of *Annals of Mathematics and Artificial Intelligence* (2016–present, 2016–2023 as associate editor)
- guest editor: ISAIM 2020 special issue in *Annals of Mathematics and Artificial Intelligence*, ALT 2017 special issue in *Theoretical Computer Science*, ISAIM 2014 special issue in *Annals of Mathematics and Artificial Intelligence*
- referee for dozens of leading journals across computer science, mathematics, and statistics

Conferences

- program committee (co-)chair: ISAIM 2020, ALT 2017
- area chair: NIPS 2022, COLT 2022, NIPS 2021, IJCAI 2021
- main/senior PC member: COLT 2024, ISAIM 2024, ALT 2024, COLT 2023, IJCAI 2022, IJCAI 2020, ALT 2020, ECAI 2020, ALT 2019, RANDOM 2018, AAAI 2018, ALT 2015, ALT 2014, ALT 2013, ALT 2012
- extended program committee member / reviewer-at-large: ICML 2023, AISTATS 2023, ICML 2022, AISTATS 2022, ICML 2021, AAAI 2021, ICML 2020, UAI 2019, AISTATS 2019, AAAI 2019, NIPS 2018, AAMAS 2018, AISTATS 2018, AAAI 2017, NIPS 2016, ICML 2016, AISTATS 2016, AAAI 2016, IJCAI 2015, ICML 2015, NIPS 2014, ICML 2014, IJCAI 2013, ICML 2013, ICML 2012, NIPS 2011, ICML 2010, NIPS 2010
- referee for dozens of major conferences spanning the theory of computing, machine learning, and data science

Workshops, &c.

- workshop (co-)organizer: High School Teacher Workshop at IDEAL in 2023, Machine Learning, Interpretability and Logic Workshop at IDEAL in 2023, Introduction to Machine Learning and Logic Workshop at IDEAL in 2023, The Multifaceted Complexity of Machine Learning Workshop at IMSI in 2021
- session organizer: “Theory of Machine Learning” at ISAIM 2018, “Theory of Machine Learning” at ISAIM 2014
- program committee member: IJCAI 2022 survey track, SIAM Network Science 2016

Grants

- virtual panel member: NSF, Translational Impacts (TIP), 2023
- external reviewer: NSERC, Discovery Grants Program (GD), 2023
- virtual panel member: NSF, Translational Impacts (TIP), 2022
- external reviewer: ISF, Exact Sciences and Technology (PRG), 2022
- external reviewer: NSF, Information and Intelligent Systems (CISE), 2021
- virtual panel member: NSF, Information and Intelligent Systems (CISE), 2021
- external reviewer: ISF, Exact Sciences and Technology (PRG), 2021
- virtual panel member: NSF, Communications and Foundations (CISE), 2021
- external reviewer: NSF, Communications and Foundations (CISE), 2020
- virtual panel member: NSF, Communications and Foundations (CISE), 2020
- in-person panel member: NSF, Communications and Foundations (CISE), 2020
- external reviewer: NSERC, Discovery Grants Program (GD), 2020
- in-person panel member: NSF, Information and Intelligent Systems (CISE), 2019
- in-person panel member: NSF, Division of Mathematical Sciences (MPS), 2018
- in-person panel member: NSF, Information and Intelligent Systems (CISE), 2017

- external reviewer: DHS, Centers of Excellence (S&T), 2016
- in-person panel member: NSF, Communications and Foundations (CISE), 2015

Other

- fellowship reviewer: NSF CI-Fellows postdoctoral program, 2020
- book proposal reviewer: Cambridge University Press, 2017
- external reviewer: British Computer Society, Distinguished Dissertation Award, 2017

Professional service and memberships

Service to the profession

- chair of the steering committee of the Association for Algorithmic Learning Theory, 2023–present; secretary and treasurer of the Association for Algorithmic Learning Theory, 2018–present
- steering committee member: ALT, 2016–present (ex-officio 2016–2017 as PC co-chair, ex-officio 2020–2023 as AALT treasurer, ex-officio 2023–present as AALT SC chair), ISAIM, 2014–present (ex-officio as an editor of *Annals of Mathematics and Artificial Intelligence*)
- moderator of cstheory.stackexchange.com, 2014–present
- genera/local co-chair: FOCS 2024, ALT 2019

Institutional service

- UIC college/university service: fellow of the Honors College (2019–present), member of the OVCR research restart committee for data science research (2020–2021), member of faculty senate (2017–2020), member of provost’s committee on data sciences and social sciences (2017–2018), member of LAS search committee for director of faculty research activity (2016–2017)
- UIC departmental service as chair, secretary, or equivalent: chair of the MCS faculty search committee (2023 – 2024, Spring 2022, 2017–2020), chair of the data science RAP search committee (2022–2023, 2019–2020), weekly tea coordinator (2020–2021), chair of the advisory committee (2019–2020), chair of the salary committee (2019–2020, ex-officio as advisory committee chair), Mathematics and Computer Science program director¹¹ (2015–2018), secretary of the advisory committee (2015–2016), responsible for redesign of Mathematics and Computer Science major (redesign in 2012–2014 with changes effective starting 2019)
- UIC departmental service: advisory committee (2023–2025, 2019–2021, 2014–2016), graduate mentoring award committee (2023–2024, 2020–2021, 2016–2017), MCS tenure-track faculty search committee (2022–2024, 2017–2020), graduate admissions and fellowships committee/reviewer (2020–2024, 2017–2018, 2012–2015), data science RAP search committee (2022–2023, 2019–2020), salary committee (2022–2023, 2019–2020, 2015–2016), statistics tenure-track faculty search committee (2021–2022, 2018–2020, 2016–2017), director of research operations search committee (2020–2021), undergraduate studies committee (2016–2018), RAP search committee (2013–2015), MCS master’s exam coordinator (2013–2015)
- Seminar (co-)organization: UIC MCS seminar (2022–2023, 2013–2019), UIC machine learning seminar (2012–2013), Yale graduate student computer science theory colloquium (2007–2008)

Scientific memberships

- Association for Mathematics Research: member, 2022–present
- Academic Freedom Alliance: member, 2021–present
- Association for the Advancement of Artificial Intelligence: member, 2014–present
- Association for Computing Machinery: professional member, 2009–present

¹¹I held this role as the faculty member responsible for evaluating student outcomes for the Mathematics and Computer Science major.