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## Education

### Doctor of Philosophy, Mathematics

TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY – ADVISOR: ANNE SHIU

College Station, Texas

2016 - 2021 (expected)

### Master of Science, Mathematics

SAN JOSÉ STATE UNIVERSITY – ADVISOR: ELIZABETH GROSS

San Jose, California

2013 - 2016

### Bachelor of Science, Mathematics

SANTA CLARA UNIVERSITY – ADVISOR: FRANK FARRIS

Santa Clara, California

2009 - 2013

## Publications and preprints

7. *Dynamics of ERK regulation in the processive limit*, Carsten Conradi, Nida Obatake, Anne Shiu, and Xiaoxian Tang. In preparation, 2019.
6. *Modeling R-loops with Formal Grammars*, Nataša Jonoska, Nida Obatake, Svetlana Poznanovikj, Candice Price, Manda Riehl, and Mariel Vazquez. In preparation, 2019.
5. *Oscillations and bistability in a model of ERK regulation*, Nida Obatake, Anne Shiu, Xiaoxian Tang, and Angélica Torres. Accepted to *Journal of Mathematical Biology*. Available from arXiv:1903.02617, 2019.
4. *On the identification of  $k$ -inductively pierced codes using toric ideals*, Molly Hoch, Samuel Muthiah, and Nida Obatake. Submitted to *Journal of Algebra and its Applications* (in revision). Available from arXiv:1807.02390, 2019.
3. *Neural ideals and stimulus space visualization*, Elizabeth Gross, Nida Obatake, and Nora Youngs. In *Advances in Applied Mathematics*, Volume 95, 2018, Pages 65-95, ISSN 0196-8858. Available from ScienceDirect.
2. *Drawing place field diagrams of neural codes using toric ideals*, Nida Obatake. San José State University, ProQuest Dissertations Publishing, 2016. Available from ScholarWorks.
1. *Mathematical origami of a single vertex: regular  $K$ -points*, R. Alperin, R. Bomm, M. Gurdine, L. Mattick, N. Obatake, J. Orozco, and J. Schrag. In preparation, 2016.

## Honors & Awards

Sep 2019	<b>Undergraduate Research Mentoring Award</b> , College of Science	TAMU
Jul 2019	<b>Best poster presentation</b> , SIAM Conference on Applied Algebraic Geometry	Bern, Switzerland
May 2019	<b>Herman F Heep Scholarship &amp; Achievement</b> , Academic Excellence Award	TAMU
May 2019	<b>Outstanding TA Award</b> , Houston A&M Mother's Club	TAMU
Apr 2019	<b>Aggie Leader Scholarship</b> , Sean M. Golden '01 and Heather Sustman Golden '99 Scholarship Fund	TAMU
May 2018	<b>Certificate of recognition for outstanding service and contributions</b> , SIAM Student Chapter Award	SIAM
2016–2018	<b>H.B. Curtis Fellow in Mathematics</b> , Graduate Fellowship	TAMU
May 2016	<b>Franklyn B. Fuller award for exceptional math graduate student</b> , Mathematics Department Scholarship	SJSU
Apr 2015	<b>Kenneth C. Bradshaw award for outstanding teaching associate</b> , Mathematics Department Scholarship	SJSU
Aug 2014	<b>Viola Palmer Memorial Scholarship</b> , Graduate Merit Scholarship	SJSU

## Grants

Jul 2019	<b>NSF DMS-1937317</b> , in support of the Texas Women in Math Symposium 2020 PI: Laura Matusevich, co-PIs: Priyanga Ganesan, Nida Obatake, Aleksandra Sobieska, and Elise Walker	\$8000
Apr 2019	<b>College of Science Diversity &amp; Equity Grant</b> , Texas Women in Math Symposium 2020 with Laura Matusevich, Priyanga Ganesan, Aleksandra Sobieska, and Elise Walker	\$2000
Mar 2019	<b>MAA Tensor Women in Mathematics Grant</b> , Texas Women in Math Symposium 2020 with Laura Matusevich, Priyanga Ganesan, Aleksandra Sobieska, and Elise Walker	\$6000
Apr 2018	<b>College of Science Diversity &amp; Equity Grant</b> , Peer Mentoring Program for Mathematics Graduate Students with Laura Matusevich, Changningphaabi Namoiyam, Aleksandra Sobieska, and Elise Walker	\$1960

## Talks

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*\* = invited talk*

<b>SIAM AG 2019; University of Bern</b> , <i>Sufficient conditions for 1- and 2- Inductively Pierced Codes*</i>	Jul 10, 2019
<b>Trieste Algebraic Geometry Summer School; ICTP</b> , <i>Polyhedral Methods for Chemical Reaction Networks</i>	Jul 1, 2019
<b>AWM Research Symposium; Rice University</b> , <i>Toric Ideals of Neural Codes*</i>	Apr 7, 2019
<b>AWM Research Symposium; Rice University</b> , <i>Hopf bifurcations in the ERK Network*</i>	Apr 6, 2019
<b>AMS Spring Southeastern Sectional Meeting; Auburn University</b> , <i>Oscillations in the ERK Network*</i>	Mar 16, 2019
<b>Graduate Student Seminar; Texas A&amp;M University</b> , <i>Oscillations in the ERK Network</i>	Mar 7, 2019
<b>TAMU-AMS GIGEM 2019; Texas A&amp;M University</b> , <i>Amoebas!*</i>	Feb 16, 2019
<b>Graduate Student Seminar; Texas A&amp;M University</b> , <i>Chemical Reaction Networks</i>	Sep 13, 2018
<b>ICMS 2018; Notre Dame University</b> , <i>The capacity for Hopf bifurcations in the fully distributive dual-site phosphorylation network</i>	Jul 24, 2018
<b>Joint Mathematics Meeting (JMM)</b> , <i>Place field diagrams of neural codes</i>	Jan 12, 2018
<b>AMS Fall Central Sectional Meeting</b> , <i>Place field diagrams of convex neural codes*</i>	Sep 9, 2017
<b>SIAM Conference on Applied Algebraic Geometry</b> , <i>Toric Ideals of Neural Codes*</i>	Aug 1, 2017
<b>Graduate Student Seminar; Texas A&amp;M University</b> , <i>Rat GPS</i>	Nov 10, 2016
<b>Texas Women in Math Symposium</b> , <i>Drawing place field diagrams of neural codes using toric ideals</i>	Nov 5, 2016
<b>Student Working Seminar in Algebraic Geometry; Texas A&amp;M University</b> , <i>Differential Forms and Manifolds, Integration, Stoke's Theorem</i>	Nov 1, 2016
<b>Geometry Seminar; Texas A&amp;M University</b> , <i>Drawing place field diagrams of neural codes using toric ideals*</i>	Sep 26, 2016
<b>Master's thesis defense; San Jose State University</b> , <i>Drawing place field diagrams of neural codes</i>	May 17, 2016
<b>Colloquium; San Jose State University</b> , <i>Algebraic methods for realizing neural codes*</i>	May 4, 2016
<b>Colloquium; Santa Clara University</b> , <i>Algebraic methods for realizing neural codes*</i>	Apr 26, 2016
<b>AMS Fall Western Sectional Meeting</b> , <i>Toric ideals of neural codes</i>	Oct 25, 2015

## Posters

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<b>SIAM Conference on Applied Algebraic Geometry; University of Bern</b> , <i>A constructive algorithm for a positive solution to a system of polynomial inequalities</i>	Jul 9, 2019
<b>Southwest Local Algebra Meeting; University of Texas at El Paso</b> , <i>Hopf bifurcations in chemical reaction networks</i>	Feb 23, 2019
<b>TWIMS; University of Houston</b> , <i>Hopf bifurcations in the fully distributive dual-site phosphorylation network</i>	Nov 17, 2018
<b>CBMS, Applications of Polynomial Systems; Texas Christian University</b> , <i>The capacity for Hopf bifurcations in the fully distributive dual-site phosphorylation network</i>	Jun 4, 2018
<b>College of Science Student Research Day; San Jose State University</b> , <i>Drawing Place Field Diagrams of Neural Codes using Toric Ideals</i>	May 6, 2016
<b>MAA Golden Section Meeting; UC Davis</b> , <i>Toric ideals of neural codes</i>	Feb 27, 2016
<b>Biology and Math in the Bay Area (BaMBA); San Jose State University</b> , <i>Toric ideals of neural codes</i>	Oct 17, 2015

## Mentoring

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<b>Mathematics REU</b>	Texas A&M University
GRADUATE STUDENT RESEARCH MENTOR FOR 2 UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS	Summer 2019
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Supervised research projects on mixed volume of chemical reaction networks and identifiability in linear compartment models.</li></ul>	
<b>Directing Reading Program in the Texas A&amp;M University math department</b>	Texas A&M University
GRADUATE STUDENT MENTOR FOR 1 UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT	Spring 2019
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Led a reading course on applied algebraic topology and neural codes.</li></ul>	
<b>Mathematics REU</b>	Texas A&M University
GRADUATE STUDENT RESEARCH MENTOR FOR 3 UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS	Summer 2017
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Supervised research projects on toric ideals of neural codes and identifiability in linear compartment models.</li></ul>	

## Experience

### Mathematics Department

GRADUATE TEACHING ASSISTANT

*Texas A&M University*

*Aug 2016 - present*

- **Instructor of record**  
Mathematics for Business and the Social Sciences (Math 140) – 65 students per semester
- Recitation and Python lab instructor  
Engineering Calculus 1 (Math 151)
- Recitation instructor  
Calculus 1 for Biological Sciences (Math 147)  
Engineering Calculus 2 (Math 152)
- Grader  
Applied Algebra (Math 433)
- Help session instructor  
Linear Algebra

*Fall 2018, Fall 2019*

*Spring 2019*

*Fall 2017, Spring 2018*

*Fall 2016*

*Spring 2017*

*Fall 2016*

### Mathematics Department

TEACHING ASSOCIATE

*San José State University*

*Aug 2014 - May 2016*

- **Instructor of record**  
College Algebra (Math 8) – 30-40 students per section
- Workshop Facilitator  
Led workshop for Developmental Math (Math 6B)  
Led workshop for Multivariable Calculus (Math 32)

*Fall 2014 (1 section), Spring 2015 (1 section), Fall 2015 (2 sections), Spring 2016 (1 section)*

*Spring 2016*

*Fall 2014, Spring 2015*

### Kumon Math and Reading Center

ASSISTANT INSTRUCTOR

*Multiple locations*

*2008-2014*

- Activities included grading, recording, and assisting K-12 students with math and reading worksheets.

### Dr. Frank Farris

STUDENT EDITOR

*Santa Clara University*

*Jun–Aug 2013*

- Read and helped edit the manuscript “Creating Symmetry: The artful Mathematics of Wallpaper Patterns” written by Dr. Frank Farris.

### Mathematics Department

GRADER

*Santa Clara University*

*2011-2013*

- Graded assignments for Vector Calculus (Calc 3), Discrete Math, and Business Calculus.

## Service

### Mathematics Department

STUDENT CHAPTER OFFICER

*Texas A&M University*

*Fall 2016 - Spring 2019*

- American Mathematical Society (AMS) TAMU Graduate Student Chapter  
President  
Secretary
- Association for Women in Mathematics (AWM) TAMU Graduate Student Chapter  
Vice President  
Secretary/Webmaster
- Society for Industrial and Applied Math (SIAM) TAMU Graduate Student Chapter  
Vice President  
Liaison Officer

*2018–2019*

*2017–2018*

*2017–2019*

*2016–2017*

*2018–2019*

*2017–2018*

## Outreach

- Oct 2018 **Volunteer: activity on geometry and symmetry**, Boonville Days
- Apr 2018 **Panelist**, Department Review - Discussion on the Mathematics Graduate Program
- Feb 2018 **Panelist**, Graduate school in mathematics informational session
- Feb 2018 **Moderator**, CombinaTexas
- 2016–2018 **Volunteer**, Math Circle
- Feb 2018 **Volunteer: math art room**, Math & Stats Fair
- Feb 2018 **Organizer: math art room**, STEMfest
- Mar 2017 **Volunteer**, Math & Stats Fair
- Feb 2017 **Co-organizer: math art room**, STEMfest
- 2013 **Teen Workshop Leader**, Santa Maria Urban Ministry

*Brazos Valley Museum of Natural History*

*Texas A&M University*

*St. Edwards University*

*Texas A&M University*

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*San Jose, CA*

## Events Organized

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2019	<b>Minisymposium on “Algebraic, geometric, and combinatorial methods in mathematical biology”</b> , SIAM TX-LA 2nd Annual Meeting, Southern Methodist University	<i>Nov 1–3, 2019</i>
2017–2019	<b>Industrial and Applied Mathematics Seminar</b> , Texas A&M University	<i>bi-weekly</i>
2019	<b>TAMU-AMS Gathering in Graduate Expository Mathematics (GIGEM)</b> , Texas A&M University	<i>February 16, 2019</i>
2018–2019	<b>Peer Mentoring Program group meeting</b> , Texas A&M University	<i>monthly</i>
2017–2019	<b>Women in Math Mentoring Lunch</b> , Texas A&M University	<i>monthly</i>
2018	<b>TAMU-AMS Gathering in Graduate Expository Mathematics (GIGEM)</b> , Texas A&M University	<i>March 4, 2018</i>

## Memberships

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- Association for Women in Mathematics (AWM)
- American Mathematical Society (AMS)
- Society for Industrial and Applied Mathematics (SIAM)
- The EDGE Program - Enhancing Diversity in Graduate Education (2016 cohort)
- Mathematical Association of America (MAA)
- Pi Mu Epsilon (IIME) Math Honor Society

## Travel Awards

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Jun 2019	<b>Graduate Student Research and Presentation Travel Award</b> , Texas A&M University Office of Graduate and Professional Studies for SIAM AG 2019	
Jun 2019	<b>SIAM Grant</b> , for Collaborative Workshop for Women in Math Bio	
Mar 2019	<b>SIAM Student Travel Grant</b> , for SIAM AG 2019	
Apr 2019	<b>AWM Student Travel Grant</b> , for AWM Research Symposium 2019	<i>declined</i>
Feb 2019	<b>Conference Travel Grant</b> , for SLAM 2019	
Nov 2018	<b>Conference Travel Grant</b> , for TWIMS 2018	
Jul 2018	<b>Conference Travel Grant</b> , for ICMS 2018	
Jun 2018	<b>Conference Travel Grant</b> , for CBMS conference on Applications for Polynomial Systems	
Jan 2018	<b>EDGE Travel Grant</b> , for JMM 2018 EDGE for Women session	
Sep 2017	<b>AMS Student Travel Grant</b> , for AMS Denton	
Jun 2016	<b>EDGE grant</b> , for EDGE 2016 workshop	
Oct 2015	<b>Conference Travel Grant</b> , for AMS Fall Western Sectional Meeting	