## SODA'25 Day 4 (Wednesday)

| All day (8:30 AM - 5:00 PM) | Registration          | Grand Gallery - 2nd Floor |
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| All day (9:00 AM - 5:00 PM) | Exhibitor Hours       | Grand Gallery - 2nd Floor |
| 8:30 AM - 9:00 AM           | Continental Breakfast | Grand Gallery - 2nd Floor |

| Time            | SODA 10A  Grand Ballroom C/D - 2nd  Floor  Chair: Nikhil Bansal (UMich)   | SODA 10B  Toulouse - 2nd Floor  Mezzanine  Chair: Venkat Guruswami  (UC Berkeley)   | SODA 10C  Grand Ballroom A - 2nd  Floor  Chair: Avrim Blum  (Toyota Technological Institute at Chicago)  | SOSA 6  St. Charles - 1st Floor  Chair: Sepehr Assadi (Univ. of Waterloo)  |
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| 9:00-<br>9:20   | Spanners in Planar Domains Via Steiner Spanners and Non-Steiner Tree Covers Hung Le (UMass Amherst); Sujoy Bhore (IIT Bombay); Balázs Keszegh (Renyi Institute); Andrey Kupavskii (CNRS - Ecole Normale Superieure); Alexandre Louvet; Dömötör Pálvölgyi (MTA-ELTE); Csaba D. Toth (California State Univ., Northridge) | New Separations and<br>Reductions for Directed<br>Hopsets and Preservers<br>Yinzhan Xu (MIT); <i>Gary</i><br>Hoppenworth (UMich);<br>Zixuan Xu (MIT)  | Sumsets, 3SUM, Subset Sum: Now for Real! Nick Fischer (INSAIT, Sofia Univ.)  | Simpler Optimal Sorting from a Directed Acyclic Graph Ivor Van Der Hoog, Eva Rotenberg, and Daniel P. Rutschmann (Technical Univ. of Denmark)                            |
| 9:25-<br>9:45   | A Lower Bound for Light Spanners in General Graphs Greg Bodwin and Jeremy Flics (UMich)   | Tree Independence Number IV. Even-Hole- Free Graphs Maria Chudnovsky (Princeton Univ.); Peter Gartland (UC Santa Barbara); Sepehr Hajebi (Univ. of Waterloo); Daniel Lokshtanov (UC Santa Barbara); Sophie Spirkl (Univ. of Waterloo) | New Applications of 3SUM-Counting in Fine-Grained Complexity and Pattern Matching Nick Fischer (INSAIT, Sofia Univ.); Ce Jin and Yinzhan Xu (MIT)  | Finding Longer Cycles Via Shortest Colourful Cycle Andreas Björklund and Thore Husfeldt (IT Univ. of Copenhagen)   |
| 9:50-<br>10:10  | Subquadratic Algorithms in Minor-Free Digraphs: (weighted) Distance Oracles, Decremental Reachability, and More Adam Karczmarz (Univ. of Warsaw); Da Wei Zheng (UIUC)   | A Refutation of the<br>Pach-Tardos Conjecture<br>for 0-1 Matrices<br>Seth Pettie (UMich); Gábor<br>Tardos (Renyi Institute)   | Beating Bellman's Algorithm for Subset Sum Karl Bringmann (Saarland Univ. and Max Planck Institute for Informatics); Nick Fischer (INSAIT, Sofia Univ.); Vasileios Nakos (National & Kapodistrian Univ. of Athens) | Connectivity Certificate Against Bounded-Degree Faults: Simpler, Better and Supporting Vertex Faults Elad Tzalik and Merav Parter (Weizmann Institute of Science)        |
| 10:15-<br>10:35 | Having Hope in Missing Spanners: New Distance Preservers and Light Hopsets Shimon Kogan and Merav Parter (Weizmann Institute of Science)  | Recognizing Sumsets is NP-Complete Amir Abboud (Weizmann Institute of Science); Nick Fischer (INSAIT, Sofia Univ.); Ron Safier and Nathan Wallheimer (Weizmann Institute of Science)  | Average-Case Hardness of Parity Problems: Orthogonal Vectors, K-Sum and More Mina Dalirrooyfard (Morgan Stanley); Andrea Lincoln (Boston Univ.); Barna Saha (UC San Diego); Virginia Vassilevska Williams (MIT)    | A Simplified Parameterized Algorithm for Directed Feedback Vertex Set Ziliang Xiong (Linköping Univ.); Mingyu Xiao (Univ. of Electronic Science and Technology of China) |

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| 10:40-<br>11:00 | Improved Online Reachability Preservers Greg Bodwin and <i>Tuong Le</i> (UMich) | A Topological Proof Of<br>The Hell-Nešetril<br>Dichotomy<br>Sebastian Meyer (TU<br>Dresden); Jakub Opršal<br>(Univ. of Birmingham) | Exact Thresholds for Noisy Non-Adaptive Group Testing Junren Chen (Univ. of Hong Kong); Jonathan Scarlett (National Univ. of Singapore) | Connectivity Carcass of a Vertex Subset in a Graph - Both Odd and Even Case Surender Baswana and Abhyuday Pandey (IIT Kanpur) |

| 11:05 AM - 11:30 AM | Coffee Break  | Grand Gallery - 2nd Floor      |
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| 11:30 AM - 12:30 PM | <b>IP3 Learning in Environments with Carryover Effects</b> Éva Tardos (Cornell Univ.) | Grand Ballroom C/D - 2nd Floor |
| 12:30 PM - 2:00 PM  | Lunch Break   | Attendees on their own         |

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| 2:00-<br>2:20 | Inapproximability of Maximum Diameter Clustering for Few Clusters Ashwin Padaki (UPenn); Henry Fleischmann (CMU); Kyrylo Karlov (Charles Univ.); Karthik C. S. (Rutgers Univ.); Stepan ZHARKOV (Columbia Univ.)                                   | Faster Vizing and Near-Vizing Edge Coloring Algorithms Sepehr Assadi (Univ. of Waterloo)  | Relating Interleaving and Fréchet Distances Via Ordered Merge Trees Thijs Beurskens (TU Eindhoven); Tim Ophelders (TU Eindhoven and Utrecht Univ.); Bettina Speckmann and Kevin Verbeek (TU Eindhoven)               | Dynamic Independent Set of Disks (and Hypercubes) Made Easier Sujoy Bhore (IIT Bombay); Timothy M. Chan (UIUC)  |
| 2:25-<br>2:45 | Coresets for Constrained Clustering: General Assignment Constraints and Improved Size Bounds Lingxiao Huang (Nanjing Univ.); Jian Li (Tsinghua Univ.); Pinyan Lu (Shanghai Univ. of Finance and Economics); Xuan Wu (Nanyang Technological Univ.) | A Sublinear-Time Algorithm for Nearly-Perfect Matchings in Regular Non- Bipartite Graphs Thomas P. Hayes (Univ. at Buffalo); Varsha Dani (Rochester Institute of Technology)                | Facet-Hamiltonicity Hugo A. Akitaya (UMass Lowell); Jean Cardinal (Université Libre de Bruxelles); Stefan Felsner (Technische Univ. Berlin); Linda Kleist (Univ. of Potsdam); Robert Lauff (Technische Univ. Berlin) | A Simple Partially Embedded Planarity Test Based on Vertex-Addition Simon D. Fink (Technische Univ. Wien); Ignaz Rutter (Univ. of Passau); Sandhya T P (Stockholms Univ.) |
| 2:50-<br>3:10 | A Tight Vc-Dimension Analysis of Clustering Coresets with Applications Chris Schwiegelshohn (Aarhus Univ.); Vincent Cohen-Addad (Google Research); Andrew Draganov (Aarhus Univ.); Matteo Russo (Università La Sapienza); David Saulpic (IST)     | Even Faster (Delta + 1)-Edge Coloring Via Shorter Multi-Step Vizing Chains Martin Costa and Sayan Bhattacharya (Univ. of Warwick); Shay Solomon (Tel Aviv Univ.); Tianyi Zhang (ETH Zurich) | Differentiable Approximations for Distance Queries Ahmed Abdelkader (Google); David M. Mount (Univ. of Maryland)   | An Optimal Algorithm for Half- Plane Hitting Set Gang Liu and Haitao Wang (Univ. of Utah)   |
| 3:15-<br>3:35 | Efficient Approximation Algorithm for Computing Wasserstein Barycenter under Euclidean Metric Pankaj K. Agarwal (Duke Univ.); Sharath Raghvendra (North Carolina State Univ.); Pouyan Shirzadian (Virginia Tech); Keegan Yao (Duke Univ.)         | Randomized Greedy Online Edge Coloring Succeeds for Dense and Randomly-Ordered Graphs Aditi Dudeja (Univ. of Salzburg); Rashmika Goswami and Michael Saks (Rutgers Univ.)                   | Fréchet Distance in Subquadratic Time Siu-Wing Cheng (Hong Kong Univ. of Science and Technology); Haoqiang Huang (Hong Kong Univ. of Science and Technology)   | On Beating $2^n$ for the Closest Vector Problem  Rajendra Kumar (IIT Delhi); Amir Abboud (Weizmann Institute o Science and INSAIT, Sofia Univ.)                           |

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| 3:40-<br>4:00 | Gains-from-Trade in Bilateral Trade with a Broker Suho Shin (Univ. of Maryland); Ilya Hajiaghayi (Takoma Park Middle School); MohammadTaghi Hajiaghayi and Gary Peng (Univ. of Maryland) | Fully Dynamic $(\Delta+1)$ Coloring Against Adaptive Adversaries Omer Wasim, Soheil Behnezhad, and Rajmohan Rajaraman (Northeastern Univ.) | A Discrete Analog of Tutte's Barycentric Embeddings on Surfaces Loïc Dubois (CNRS / LIGM Université Gustave Eiffel); Éric Colin de Verdière (Université Paris-Est et al.); Vincent Despré (Université Henri Poincaré) | Recursive Lattice Reduction-A Framework for Finding Short Lattice Vectors Divesh Aggarwal (National Univ. of Singapore); Thomas Espitau (PQShield); Spencer Peters (Cornell Univ.); Noah Stephens-Davidowitz (NYU) |

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| 4:30-<br>4:50 | Fine-Grained Optimality of Partially Dynamic Shortest Paths and More Christopher Ye (UC San Diego); Barna Saha (UC San Diego); Virginia Vassilevska Williams and Yinzhan Xu (MIT) | Rényi-Infinity Constrained Sampling with $D^3$ Membership Queries Yunbum Kook (Georgia Institute of Technology); Matthew Zhang (Univ. of Toronto)   | Low Degree Local Correction Over the Boolean Cube Prashanth Amireddy (Harvard Univ.); Amik Raj Behera, Manaswi Paraashar, and Srikanth Srinivasan (Univ. of Copenhagen); Madhu Sudan (Harvard Univ.) | Dynamic Independent Set of Disks (and Hypercubes) Made Easier Sujoy Bhore (IIT Bombay); Timothy M. Chan (UIUC)   |
| 4:55-<br>5:15 | All-Hops Shortest Paths<br>Yinzhan Xu, Virginia<br>Vassilevska Williams, and<br>Zoe Xi (MIT); Uri Zwick (Tel<br>Aviv Univ.)   | Potential Hessian Ascent: The Sherrington- Kirkpatrick Model Juspreet Singh Sandhu (UC Santa Cruz); David Jekel (Univ. of Copenhagen); Jonathan Shi (UC San Diego)  | Quantum Locally Recoverable Codes Louis Golowich and Venkatesan Guruswami (UC Berkeley)  | A Simple Partially Embedded Planarity Test Based on Vertex- Addition Simon D. Fink (Technische Univ. Wien); Ignaz Rutter (Univ. of Passau); Sandhya T P (Stockholms Univ.) |
| 5:20-<br>5:40 | New Approximation Algorithms and Reductions for $n$ -Pairs Shortest Paths and All- Nodes Shortest Cycles Shiri Chechik, <i>Itay Hoch</i> , and Gur Lifshitz (Tel Aviv Univ.)      | Spectral Independence Beyond Total Influence on Trees and Related Graphs Xiaoyu Chen (Nanjing Univ.); Xiongxin Yang (Northeast Normal Univ.); Yitong Yin and Xinyuan Zhang (Nanjing Univ.)                        | Locally Testable Tree Codes Tamer Mour and Alon Rosen (Bocconi Univ.); Ron Rothblum (Technion Israel Institute of Technology)  | An Optimal Algorithm for Half-Plane Hitting Set Gang Liu and Haitao Wang (Univ. of Utah)   |
| 5:45-<br>6:05 | Faster Single-Source Shortest Paths with Negative Real Weights Via Proper Hop Distance Yufan Huang, Peter Jin, and Kent Quanrud (Purdue Univ.)                                    | Optimal Mixing for Randomly Sampling Edge Colorings on Trees Down to the Max Degree Charlie A. Carlson (UC Santa Barbara); Xiaoyu Chen (Nanjing Univ.); Weiming Feng (ETH Zurich); Eric Vigoda (UC Santa Barbara) | Improved Explicit Near-Optimal Codes in the High-Noise Regimes Xin Li and Songtao Mao (Johns Hopkins Univ.)  | On Beating $2^n$ for the Closest Vector Problem Rajendra Kumar (IIT Delhi); Amir Abboud (Weizmann Institute of Science and INSAIT, Sofia Univ.)                            |

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| 6:10-<br>6:30 | Improved Shortest Path Restoration Lemmas for Multiple Edge Failures: Trade-Offs Between Fault-Tolerance and Subpaths Greg Bodwin and Lily Wang (UMich)                                 | Mean-Field Potts and Random-Cluster Dynamics from High- Entropy Initializations Antonio Blanca (Pennsylvania State Univ.); Reza Gheissari (Northwestern Univ.); Xusheng Zhang (Pennsylvania State Univ.) | More Efficient Approximate k-Wise Independent Permutations from Random Reversible Circuits Via Log-Sobolev Inequalities William He (CMU); Lucas Gretta and Angelos Pelecanos (UC Berkeley) | Recursive Lattice Reduction-A Framework for Finding Short Lattice Vectors Divesh Aggarwal (National Univ. of Singapore); Thomas Espitau (PQShield); Spencer Peters (Cornell Univ.); Noah Stephens- Davidowitz (NYU) |
| 6:35-<br>6:55 | Faster Approximation Algorithms for Restricted Shortest Paths in Directed Graphs Vikrant Ashvinkumar (Rutgers Univ.); Aaron Bernstein (Rutgers Univ.); Adam Karczmarz (Univ. of Warsaw) | FPTAS for Holant Problems with Log- Concave Signatures Kun He (Chinese Academy of Sciences); Zhidan Li, Guoliang Qiu, and Chihao Zhang (Shanghai Jiao Tong Univ.)  | Hermitian Diagonalization<br>in Linear Precision<br>Rikhav Shah (UC Berkeley)  |   |