

# Paul Krogmeier

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## EDUCATION

### University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign

*Ph.D. in Computer Science (advisor: Madhusudan Parthasarathy).*

Ph.D. Thesis: Theory and Algorithms for Symbolic Learning.

Expected  
Spring 2024

### Purdue University

*M.S. in Computer Engineering (advisor: Benjamin Delaware).*

M.S. Thesis: A Core Calculus for Data Refinement.

*B.S. in Computer Engineering (with highest distinction).*

2016–2018

2012–2016

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

My interests are in the foundations of **symbolic learning and reasoning**, with a focus on the algorithmic problem of how to learn logical concepts over **structured data** like sequences, trees, graphs, or even encodings of the states of computer programs. This encompasses program synthesis from examples as well as learning logical classifiers over mathematical structures. Recently, I have been exploring how to **synthesize domain-specific languages** to support efficient few-shot learning.

## AWARDS

ACM SIGPLAN Distinguished Paper Award at OOPSLA

2023

ACM SIGPLAN Distinguished Paper Award at POPL

2022

Illinois Wing Kai Cheng Fellowship

2018

Purdue Ross Fellowship

2016

## REFEREED CONFERENCE PUBLICATIONS

Paul Krogmeier and P. Madhusudan. 2023. Languages with Decidable Learning: A Meta-theorem. Proc. ACM Program. Lang. 7, OOPSLA1, Article 80 (April 2023), 29 pages. <https://doi.org/10.1145/3586032>

**ACM SIGPLAN Distinguished Paper Award.**

Paul Krogmeier\*, Zhengyao Lin\*, Adithya Murali\*, and P. Madhusudan. 2022. Synthesizing axiomatizations using logic learning. Proc. ACM Program. Lang. 6, OOPSLA2, Article 185 (October 2022), 29 pages. <https://doi.org/10.1145/3563348>

Adithya Murali, Atharva Sehgal, Paul Krogmeier, P. Madhusudan. Composing Neural Learning and Symbolic Reasoning with an Application to Visual Discrimination. Proceedings of the Thirty-First International Joint Conference on Artificial Intelligence Main Track (IJCAI). Pages 3358-3365.  
<https://doi.org/10.24963/ijcai.2022/466>

Paul Krogmeier and P. Madhusudan. 2022. Learning formulas in finite variable logics. Proc. ACM Program. Lang. 6, POPL, Article 10 (January 2022), 28 pages. <https://doi.org/10.1145/3498671>  
**ACM SIGPLAN Distinguished Paper Award.**

Gilles Barthe, Rohit Chadha, Paul Krogmeier, A. Prasad Sistla, and Mahesh Viswanathan. 2021. Deciding accuracy of differential privacy schemes. Proc. ACM Program. Lang. 5, POPL, Article 8 (January 2021), 30 pages. <https://doi.org/10.1145/3434289>

Krogmeier, P., Mathur, U., Murali, A., Madhusudan, P., Viswanathan, M. (2020). Decidable Synthesis of Programs with Uninterpreted Functions. In: Lahiri, S., Wang, C. (eds) Computer Aided Verification. CAV 2020. Lecture Notes in Computer Science(), vol 12225. Springer, Cham.  
[https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-030-53291-8\\_32](https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-030-53291-8_32)

Umang Mathur, Adithya Murali, Paul Krogmeier, P. Madhusudan, and Mahesh Viswanathan. 2019. Deciding memory safety for single-pass heap-manipulating programs. Proc. ACM Program. Lang. 4, POPL, Article 35 (January 2020), 29 pages. <https://doi.org/10.1145/3371103>

## WORKSHOP PUBLICATIONS

Paul Krogmeier, Steven Kidd, Benjamin Delaware.  
[Towards Context-Aware Data Refinement.](#)  
CoqPL 2018

## WORK IN PROGRESS

Paul Krogmeier and P. Madhusudan.  
[Synthesizing DSLs for Few-Shot Learning.](#)  
Algorithms for synthesizing domain-specific languages that can be learned efficiently from few examples.  
*In preparation.*

Paul Krogmeier.  
[Computing with Abstractions.](#)  
A new model of computation to study how abstractions emerge in an evolving computation.  
*In preparation.*

## INVITED TALKS

Languages with Decidable Learning: a Meta-theorem.  
Boston University, Mar 2023.

Learning Formulas in Finite-Variable Logics.  
Department of Software Engineering, St. Petersburg State University, Mar 2022.

## INVITED WORKSHOPS

**Dagstuhl seminar**  
Logic and Learning

Fall 2019

## TEACHING

CS 421: Programming Languages and Compilers

**University of Illinois**  
Fall 2019, Fall 2020,  
Spring 2021, Fall 2021  
Spring 2022, Fall 2022,  
Spring 2023, Fall 2023

ECE 369: Discrete Mathematics for Computer Engineering

**Purdue University**  
Fall 2017

## SERVICE

### Conference Reviewer

Formal Methods in System Design (FMSD)

2023

International Colloquium on Automata, Languages and Programming (ICALP)

2023

Logic in Computer Science (LICS)

2022

## MENTORING

SIGPLAN-M Graduate Student Mentor

2023 – Present

## STUDENT WORKSHOPS

VMCAI Formal Methods Winter School

New Orleans, LA  
Jan 2020

SRI Formal Methods Summer School

Atherton, CA  
May 2019

Oregon Programming Languages Summer School

Eugene, OR  
Jun 2017

## MISCELLANY

Native English speaker, fluent in Spanish, conversational in German.

Jazz alto saxophonist with substantial performance and teaching experience.

Lover of snow, mountains, and skiing.