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### Education

Ph.D. Economics, Columbia University, 2016-2022 (expected).

Fields: Industrial Organization, Economics and Computation

M.Phil Economics, Columbia University, 2019

M.A. Economics, Columbia University, 2018.

B.A. Economics, Computer Science, Mathematics, Boston University, 2014

College Prize for Excellence in Economics

Honors in Economics, summa cum laude

## **Publications**

 Deconstructing the Filter Bubble: Consumer Decision-Making and Recommender Systems (w/ Duarte Gonçalves, Shan Sikdar)
 14th ACM Conference on Recommender Systems 2020 (RecSys '20)

# Working Papers

2. The Effect of Privacy Regulation on the Data Industry: Empirical Evidence from GDPR (w/ Yeon-Koo Che, Tobias Salz)

Previously circulated as NBER Working Paper #26900, The Economic Consequences of Data Privacy Regulation: Empirical Evidence from GDPR

- 3. Competing Bandits: The Perils of Exploration under Competition
  - (w/ Yishay Mansour, Alex Slivkins, Steven Wu)

An earlier version of this paper was published as an extended abstract at EC'19

4. Recommenders' Originals: Integrated Recommender Systems and Vertical Foreclosure (w/ Duarte Gonçalves)

R&R at International Journal of Industrial Organization

5. Adaptive Efficient Coding: A Variational Autoencoder Approach (w/ Francesco Grechi, Michael Woodford)

### Conference Presentations

2020-2021: ACM Conference on Recommender Systems (Online), Big Tech & Antitrust - Competition Policy in the Digital Age (Yale Law, Online), Conference on Digital Experimentation (MIT IDE, Online - scheduled)

2019-2020: FTC PrivacyCon (Online), World Congress of Game Theory (Budapest)\*, Statistical Methods for Computational Advertising (BIRS)\*, International Industrial Organization Conference (Drexel)\*

2018-2019: ACM Conference on Economics and Computation (Phoenix), Young Economists Symposium (Columbia), Machine Intelligence Conference (MIT Media Lab)

(\*) = Cancelled or Postponed due to COVID-19

### Computer Science Workshops

ICML 2020 Workshop on Participatory Approaches to Machine Learning (Online) ACM EC 2019 Workshop on ML in the Presence of Strategic Behavior (Phoenix) 2019 Annual Machine Learning Symposium (New York Academy of Sciences)

#### Academic Awards

PER Summer Research Fellow, Columbia University, 2018, 2020
Dean's Fellowship, Columbia University, 2016College Prize for Excellence in Economics, Boston University, 2014
Hariri Institute for Computing Summer Research Award, Boston University, 2013
Tuition Exchange Scholarship, Boston University, 2010-2014

## **Teaching**

#### Columbia University

Data TA (Assist undergraduates with Econometrics / Programming), Spring 2018, Spring 2020 TA for Introduction to Econometrics: Simon Lee, Spring 2019
TA for Economic Growth and Development: Xavier Sala-i-Martin, Fall 2017

## Work Experience

Software Engineer at HubSpot, 2015-2016 Software Engineer at Nutonian, 2014-2015 Co-founder at RequestNow, 2012-2014

## Open Source Software

PlanOut.js (https://github.com/rawls238/PlanOut.js)
react-experiments (https://github.com/rawls238/react-experiments)
Scientist4J (https://github.com/rawls238/Scientist4J)

#### Research Assistant

Yeon-Koo Che (Columbia University, Economics), Fall 2019-Tobias Salz (Columbia University, Economics), Summer, Fall 2018 Michael Woodford (Columbia University, Economics), Summer 2017 Henry Lam (Boston University, Mathematics), Summer 2013 Robert King (Boston University, Economics), Summer 2012

# Summer School / Workshops

NBER Young Scholars Workshop on the Economics of Artificial Intelligence, 2018 Summer School on Cognitive Foundations of Economic Behavior, 2018

## Miscellaneous

Nationality: Israel, United States

Programming Languages: Julia, Python, JavaScript, Java, C++, SQL, R, MATLAB, STATA

Human Languages: English (native), Hebrew (intermediate)BattleHack Boston Winner / 3rd Place World Finals, 2014