Robin Kaarsgaard Sales - Curriculum Vitae

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EDUCATION

University of Copenhagen, Copenhagen, Denmark

Ph.D., Computer Science, Dec. 2014 - Mar. 2018

• Thesis: *The Logic of Reversible Computing – Theory and Practice.*

M.Sc., Computer Science, Sep. 2012 – Sep. 2014

B.Sc., Computer Science, Aug. 2009 – Jun. 2012

EMPLOYMENT

University of Southern Denmark, Department of Mathematics and Computer Science, Odense, Denmark

Tenure-Track Assistant Professor, Jan. 2023 – present

• Associated with ACP and the Centre for Quantum Mathematics.

University of Edinburgh, School of Informatics, Edinburgh, United Kingdom

DFF-International Postdoc, Oct. 2020 - Dec. 2022

• Associated with the *Quantum Informatics* group.

University of Copenhagen, Department of Computer Science, Copenhagen, Denmark

Postdoctoral associate, Jan. 2018 – Sep. 2020

Ph.D. fellow, Dec. 2014 – Dec. 2017

RESEARCH INTERESTS

- *Quantum computing*: Categorical quantum theory, quantum programming languages, reasoning and optimisation, reversible foundations.
- *Program semantics*: Semantics of classical and quantum programming languages, especially computational effects, iteration, and inversion.

Funding

- EPSRC Standard Research Grant ref. EP/X025551/1, Rubber DUQ: Flexible Dynamic Universal Quantum programming, Co-Investigator, Jan. 2024–Dec. 2026, GBP 1.037.881 (~ DKK 9.265.000).
- DFF-International Postdoctoral Grant no. 0131-00025B, Landauer Meets von Neumann: Reversibility in Categorical Quantum Semantics, Principal Investigator, Oct. 2020 Dec. 2022, DKK 1.727.711.

Honours

Teacher of the Year at the Department of Computer Science, University of Copenhagen, 2019.

International relations

- Local organiser, 17th Conference on Reversible Computation.
- Visiting researcher, Laboratory for Foundations of Computer Science at the University of Edinburgh, Jan. 2019.
- Visiting researcher, Nijmegen Quantum Logic Group at Radboud University, Mar. 2016
 Jun. 2016.

- Member of the COST Action IC-1405: Reversible Computation Extending Horizons of Computing Working Group 1 on Foundations, 2017 – 2019.
- Seminar participant, NII Shonan Meeting 102: Reverse Execution in Testing.

Teaching

I am set to teach

- Spring 2026: Quantum Algorithms
- Autumn 2025: Quantum Computing Platforms
- Spring 2025: Quantum Computing

I have previously taught

- Autumn 2024: Functional Programming
- Spring 2024: Object Oriented Programming
- Autumn 2023: Quantum Computing
- Spring 2023: Object Oriented Programming
- Spring 2022: Categories and Quantum Informatics (at University of Edinburgh)
- Autumn 2020: Grundlæggende datalogi (at University of Copenhagen)
- Autumn 2019: Logic in Computer Science (at University of Copenhagen)
- Spring 2019: Softwareudvikling (at University of Copenhagen)
- Spring 2019: Programming Language Design (at University of Copenhagen)
- Autumn 2018: Logic in Computer Science: Models and Proofs for Systems (at University of Copenhagen)
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- Autumn 2015: Logic in Computer Science: Models and Proofs for Systems (at University of Copenhagen)
- Spring 2015: Topics in Programming Languages (at University of Copenhagen)

Supervision

I am currently supervising:

- Paul Schwartz (Msc, University of Southern Denmark, 2024–)
- Simon Bang (MSc, University of Southern Denmark, 2024–)
- Joachim Tilsted Kristensen (PhD, University of Oslo, 2022–; external co-supervisor)
- Malin Altenmüller (postdoc, University of Edinburgh, 2024–; external co-supervisor)
- Wang Fang (postdoc, University of Edinburgh, 2024–; external co-supervisor)
- Louis Lemonnier (postdoc, University of Edinburgh, 2024–; external co-supervisor)

I have previously supervised:

- Frederik List (BSc, University of Southern Denmark, 2024)
- Christian Nesting (BSc, University of Southern Denmark, 2023)
- Paul Schwartz (BSc, University of Southern Denmark, 2023)
- Simon Bang (BSc, University of Southern Denmark, 2023)
- Marcus Brun Pedersen (BSc, University of Southern Denmark, 2023)
- Rohan Nittur (MInf, University of Edinburgh, 2022)
- Wei Zhen Peong (MInf, University of Edinburgh, 2022)
- Mingrui Zou (MInf, University of Edinburgh, 2022)
- Joachim Tilsted Kristensen (PhD, University of Oslo, 2022–; external co-supervisor)
- Victor Antonio López Martínez (MSc, University of Copenhagen, 2022; external cosupervisor)
- Mikkel Kragh Mathiesen (PhD, University of Copenhagen, 2018–2023; external cosupervisor 2021–2023)
- Jeppe Werner Laursen (MSc, University of Copenhagen, 2021; external cosupervisor)
- Marco Aslak Persson (BSc, University of Copenhagen, 2019)
- Trine Dag Randløv (BSc, University of Copenhagen, 2019)
- Alexander Meinhardt Scheurer (BSc, University of Copenhagen, 2019)
- Jonathan Wraa-Hansen (BSc, University of Copenhagen, 2019)
- Petur Andrias Højgaard Jacobsen (MSc, University of Copenhagen, 2018)
- Xiaomo Yao (MSc, University of Copenhagen, 2018)
- Anders Frederik Jørgensen (BSc, University of Copenhagen, 2018)
- Lars-Bo Vadgaard Nielsen (BSc, University of Copenhagen, 2018)

Invited talks

- 15th International Conference on Reversible Computation. Giessen, Germany, 2023.
- 29th Nordic Congress of Mathematicians: Special Session on progress and challenges of quantum computing in its NISQ era. Aalborg, Denmark, 2023.
- Cambridge Quantum Seminar, Quantinuum, Cambridge, UK, 2022.

Program Commitees

- Quantum Physics and Logic (QPL 2025)
- Applied Category Theory (ACT 2025, ACT 2022)
- Principles of Programming Languages Student Research Competition (POPL 2025 SRC)
- Reversible Computation (RC 2024, RC 2025 (co-chair))
- Mathematically Structured Functional Programming (MSFP 2024)
- Quantum Search and Information Retrieval (QUASAR '24)

- Programming Languages for Quantum Computing (PLanQC 2024)
- Symposium on Compositional Structures (SYCO 10 (chair))
- Implementation and Application of Functional Languages (IFL 2022, IFL 2023)
- Reversibility in Programming, Languages, and Automata (RPLA 2019).

EXTERNAL REVIEWS

- International Conference on Quantum Physics and Logic (QPL 2021)
- Symposium on Principles of Programming Languages (POPL '21)
- International Conference on Applied Category Theory (ACT 2021)
- International Conference on Functional Programming (ICFP '20)
- International Conference on Foundations of Software Science and Computation Structures (FoSSaCS 2019),
- International Symposium on Functional and Logic Programming (FLOPS 2018),
- International Conference on Generative Programming: Concepts & Experiences (GPCE 2018),
- International Symposium on Logic-based Program Synthesis and Transformation (LOP-STR 2016),
- Conference on Reversible Computation (RC 2015, RC 2016, RC 2017, RC 2018, RC 2019).
- Quantum,
- Journal of Logical and Algebraic Methods in Programming,
- Science of Computer Programming.

Periods of Leave

- Parental leave, Oct. 15, 2019 Jan. 15, 2020.
- Parental leave, May 25, 2021 Aug. 25, 2021.