Curriculum Vitae SINAN G. AKSOY

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Research Interests

Applied combinatorics and network science, spectral graph theory, stochastic processes on graphs, randomized algorithms, mathematics of data science.

Education

2014 - 2017	Ph.D., Mathematics, University of California, San Diego.
	Advisor: Fan Chung Graham
2012 - 2014	M.A., Applied Mathematics, University of California, San Diego.
2008 - 2012	B.A., Mathematics, B.A., Economics University of Chicago.
	General Honors

Professional Experience

2019 -	Senior Data Scientist, Pacific Northwest National Laboratory
2022 - 2024	Manager, Mathematics of Data Science Team, Pacific Northwest National Laboratory
2017 - 2019	Data Scientist, Pacific Northwest National Laboratory
2016 Sum.	Intern, Pacific Northwest National Laboratory.
2015 Fall	Visiting Scholar, National Taiwan University, Mathematics Division NCTS.
2015 Sum.	Intern, Sandia National Laboratories, Livermore.

Journal Articles

- 2024 46. S. Aksoy, H. Jenne, E. Purvine, S. Young, Rapid Generation and Parameter Recovery of Correlated Temporal Graphs, in preprint.
 - 45. T. Benko, M. Buck, I. Amburg, S. Young, S. Aksoy, *HyperMagNet: A Magnetic Laplacian based Hypergraph Neural Network*, submitted, 2024, arXiv:2402.09676
 - 44. J. Niu, I. Amburg, S. Aksoy, A.E. Sariyuce, Size-aware hypergraph motifs, submitted, 2024, arXiv:2311.07783
 - 43. K. Hayashi, S. Aksoy, G. Ballard, H. Park, Randomized algorithms for symmetric nonnegative matrix factorization, submitted, 2024, arXiv:2402.08134
 - 42. B. Praggastis, S. Aksoy, D. Arendt, M. Bonicillo, C. Joslyn, E. Purvine, M. Shapiro, J. Yun *HyperNetX: A Python package for modeling complex network data as hypergraphs*, J. Open Source Software (JOSS), **9**(95), 2024, DOI: 10.21105/joss.06016
 - 41. J. Eshun, N. Lamar, S. Aksoy, S. Akers, B. Garcia, H. Cunningham, G. Chin Jr., J. Bilbrey, *Identifying Sample Provenance from SEM/EDS Automated Particle Analysis via Few-shot Learning coupled with Similarity Graph Clustering*, Microscopy and Microanalysis, **30** (4):741–750 2024, DOI: 10.1093/mam/ozae068
 - 40. S. Aksoy, I. Amburg, S. Young, Scalable tensor methods for nonuniform hypergraphs, SIAM J. Mathematics of Data Science, 6(2):481–503, 2024, DOI: 10.1137/23M1584472
 - 39. N. Landry, I. Amburg, M. Shi, S. Aksoy, Filtering higher-order datasets, J. Phys. Complex., 5(1), 2024, DOI: 10.1088/2632-072X/ad253a

- 2023 38. S. Aksoy, R. Bennink, Y. Chen, J. Frias, Y. Gel, B. Kay, U. Naumann, C. Marrero, A. Petyuk, S. Roy, I. Segovia-Dominguez, N. Veldt, S. Young Seven open problems in applied combinatorics, Journal of Combinatorics, 14 (4):559–601, 2023, DOI: 10.4310/JOC.2023.v14.n4.a8
- 2021 37. S. Aksoy, E. Purvine, S. Young, Directional Laplacian centrality for cyber situational awareness, Digital Threats: Research & Practice, 2 (4):1–28, 2021, DOI: 10.1145/3450286
 - 36. S. Aksoy, M. Kempton, S. Young, Spectral threshold for extremal cyclic edge-connectivity, Graphs and Combinatorics, 1–15, 2021, DOI: 10.1007/s00373-021-02333-6
- 2020 35. S. Aksoy, C. Joslyn, C. Ortiz-Marrero, B. Praggastis, E. Purvine, *Hypernetwork science via high-order walks*, EPJ Data Science, **9**(16), 2020, DOI: 10.1140/epjds/s13688-020-00231-0
 - 34. S. Aksoy, P. Bruillard, S. Young, M. Raugas, Ramanujan graphs and the spectral gap of super-computing topologies, Journal of Supercomputing, DOI: 10.1007/s11227-020-03291-1
- 2019 33. S. Aksoy, K. Nowak, E. Purvine, S. Young, Relative Hausdorff distance for network analysis, Applied Network Science, 4(80), 2019, DOI: 10.1007/s41109-019-0198-0
 - 32. S. Aksoy, K. Nowak, S. Young, A linear-time algorithm and analysis of graph Relative Hausdorff distance, SIAM J. Mathematics of Data Science, 1(4):647–666, 2019, DOI: 10.1137/19M1248224
- 2018 31. S. Aksoy, F. Chung, M. Tait, J. Tobin, *The maximum relaxation time of a random walk*, Advances in Applied Mathematics, **101**:1–14, 2018, DOI: 10.1016/j.aam.2018.07.002
 - 30. S. Aksoy, E. Purvine, E. Cotilla-Sanchez, M. Halappanavar, A generative graph model for electrical infrastructure networks, Journal of Complex Networks, 7(1):128–162, DOI: 10.1093/comnet/cny016
- 2017 29. S. Aksoy, T. G. Kolda, A. Pinar, Measuring and modeling bipartite graphs with community structure, Journal of Complex Networks, 5(4):581–603, 2017, DOI: 10.1093/comnet/cnx001
- 2016 28. S. Aksoy, F. Chung, X. Peng, Extreme values of the stationary distribution of random walks on directed graphs, Advances in Applied Mathematics, 81:128–155, 2016, DOI: 10.1016/j.aam.2016.06.012
 - 27. S. Aksoy, P. Horn, *Graphs with many strong orientations*, SIAM J. Discrete Math., **30**(2):1269–1282, 2016, DOI: 10.1137/15M1018885
- 2015 26. S. Aksoy, A. Azzam, C. Coppersmith, J. Glass, G. Karaali, X. Zhao, X. Zhu, Coalitions and cliques in the school choice problem, Involve, 8(5):801–823, 2015, DOI: 10.2140/involve.2015.8.801
- 2012 25. S. Aksoy, S. Nelson, *Bikei, involutary biracks, and unoriented link invariants*, Journal of Knot Theory and Its Ramifications, **21**(6):13 pp., 2012, DOI: 10.1142/S0218216511009972

Refereed Conference & Workshop Proceedings

- 2023 24. S. Shivakumar, I. Amburg, S. Aksoy, S. Aluru, J. Li, S. Young, Fast Parallel Tensor Times Same Vector for Hypergraphs, 2023 IEEE Conference on High Performance Computing, Data, & Analytics (HiPC), 2023, DOI: 10.1109/HiPC58850.2023.00049
 - 23. A. Myers, A. Bittner, S. Aksoy, D. Best, G. Roek, H. Jenne, C. Joslyn, B. Kay, G. Seppala, S. Young, E. Purvine, *Malicious cyber activity detection using zigzig persistence*, 2023 IEEE Conference on Dependable and Secure Computing (DSC), 2023, DOI: 10.1109/DSC61021.2023.10354204
 - 22. J. Follum, S. Aksoy, S. Bhadra, J. Buckheit, N. Betzsold, T. Yin, T. Becejac, *The Circular Variance as a Visual Summary of Synchronized Voltage Angle Measurements*, Proceedings of the 56th Hawaii International Conference on System Sciences, p. 2612-2621, 2023, URI: 10125/102954
- 2022 21. K. Hayashi, S. Aksoy, H. Park, Skew-symmetric adjacency matrices for clustering directed graphs, 2022 IEEE International Conference on Big Data, pp. 555-564, DOI: 10.1109/Big-Data55660.2022.10020413

- B. Kay, S. Aksoy, M. Baird, D. Best, H. Jenne, C. Joslyn, C. Potvin, G. Henselman-Petrusek, G. Seppala, S. Young, E. Purvine, Hypergraph Topological Features for Autoencoder-Based Intrusion Detection for Cybersecurity Data, 2022 ICML Workshop on Machine Learning for Cybersecurity, 2022, arXiv:2312.00023
- X. Liu, J. Firoz, S. Aksoy, I. Amburg, A. Lumsdaine, C. Joslyn, B. Praggastis, A. Gebremedhin, High-order Line Graphs of Non-uniform Hypergraphs: Algorithms, Applications, and Experi- mental Analysis, IEEE International Parallel and Distributed Processing Symposium (IPDPS), p. 784-794, 2022, DOI: 10.1109/IPDPS53621.2022.00081
- 18. S. Aksoy, S. Young, J. Firoz, R. Gioiosa, M. Raugas, J Contreras, J. Wilke, SpectralFly: Ramanujan Graphs as Flexible and Efficient Interconnection Networks, IEEE International Parallel and Distributed Processing Symposium (IPDPS), p. 1040-1050, 2022, DOI: 10.1109/IPDPS53621.2022.00105
- 2021 17. S. Roy, S. Aksoy, S. Sarker, P. Weng, S. Young, Structural Controllability Assessment for Inverter-Based Microgrids, The 53rd North American Power Symposium (NAPS 2021), p. 1-6, 2021, DOI: 10.1109/NAPS52732.2021.9654687
 - X. Liu, J. Firoz, A. Lumsdaine, C. Joslyn, S. Aksoy, B. Praggastis, A. Gebremedhin, Parallel Algorithms and Heuristics for Efficient Computation of High-Order Line Graphs of Hypergraphs, HiPC 2021: 28th IEEE Conference on High Performance Computing, Data, & Analytics, p. 312-321, 2021, DOI: 10.1109/HiPC53243.2021.00045
- 2020 15. K. Hayashi, S. Aksoy, C. Park, H. Park, Hypergraph random walks, Laplacians, and clustering, Proceedings of the 29th ACM International Conference on Information & Knowledge Management., p. 495-504, 2020, DOI: 10.1145/3340531.3412034
 - 14. C. Joslyn, S. Aksoy, D. Arendt, L. Jenkins, B. Praggastis, E. Purvine, M. Zalewski, *Hypergraph Analytics of Domain Name System Relationships*, Workshop on Algorithms and Models for the Web Graph, p. 1-15, 2020, DOI: 10.1007/978-3-030-48478-1_1
 - C. Joslyn, S. Aksoy, T. Callahan, L. Hunter, B. Jefferson, B. Praggastis, E. Purvine, I. Tripodi, *Hypernetwork Science: From Multidimensional Networks to Computational Topology*, 2020 International Conference on Complex Systems, in Unifying Themes on Complex Systems, p. 377-392 DOI: 10.1007/978-3-030-67318-5_25
 - X. Fan, S. Aksoy, D. Wang, Q. Huang, J.P. Ogle, A. Tbaileh, R. Huang, Automated Realistic Testbed Synthesis for Power System Communication Networks based on Graph Metrics, 2020 IEEE Conference on Innovative Smart Grid Technologies North America, DOI: 10.1109/ISGT45199.2020.9087672
- 2018 11. L. Jenkins, T. Bhuiyan, S. Harun, C. Lightsey, D. Mentgen, S. Aksoy, T. Stavenger, M. Zalewski, H. Medal, C. Joslyn, *Chapel HyperGraph Library (CHGL)*, 2018 IEEE High Performance Extreme Computing Conference (HPEC 18), DOI: 10.1109/HPEC.2018.8547520
 - 10. E. Purvine, S. Aksoy, C. Joslyn, K. Nowak, B. Praggastis, M. Robinson, *A topological approach to representational data models*, In International Conference on Human Interface and the Management of Information, pp. 90–109. Springer, Cham, DOI: 10.1007/978-3-319-92043-6_8
- 2012 9. S. Aksoy, A. Azzam, C. Coppersmith, J. Glass, G. Karaali, X. Zhao, X. Zhu, School Choice as a One-Sided Matching Problem: Cardinal Utilities and Optimization, 2012 International Symposium on Artificial Intelligence, arXiv:1304.7413

Technical Reports & Book Chapters

2023 8. S. Volkova, D. Arendt, E. Saldanha, M. Glenski, E. Ayton, J. Cottam, S. Aksoy, B. Jefferson, K. Shrivaram, Explaining and predicting human behavior and social dynamics in simulated

- virtual worlds: reproducibility, generalizability, and robustness of causal discovery methods, Computational and Mathematical Organization, 2023, DOI: 10.1007/s10588-021-09351-y
- 2020 7. S. Aksoy, J. Taft, Connectivity, Centrality, and Bottleneckedness: On Graph Theoretic Methods for Power Systems, Tech. Rep. PNNL-29662, PDF
- 2019 6. X. Fan, S. Aksoy, Q. Huang, J.P. Ogle, D. Wang, A. Tbaileh, and T. Fu, Coordination of Transmission, Distribution and Communication Systems for Prompt Power System Recovery after Disasters Report, Tech. Rep. PNNL-28598, PDF
 - 5. Q. Huang, A. Tbaileh, S. Sharma, Q. Li, S. Aksoy, X. Fan, and R. Huang, *Mechanisms and data needed for coordinating restoration*, PNNL Tech. Rep. PNNL-28387

Expository Articles

- 4. H. Jenne, S. Aksoy, B. Best, A. Bittner, G. Henselman-Petrusek, C. Joslyn, B. Kay, A. Myers, G. Seppala, J. Warley, S. Young, E. Purvine, Stepping Out of Flatland: Discovering Behavior Patterns as Topological Structures in Cyber Hypergraphs, The Next Wave: NSA's Review of Emerging Technologies, Vol. 25, No. 1, 2024, PDF
- 2023 3. S. Aksoy, R. Gioiosa, M. Raugas, S. Young, *Expanding the Horizon: The Future of HPC Networking is Bottleneck-Free Topologies*, The Next Wave: NSA's Review of Emerging Technologies, Vol. 24, No. 1, 2023, PDF
- 2022 2. S. Aksoy, *Advice From Our Advisor: Fan Chung*, Notices of the American Mathematical Society, 2022, DOI: 10.1090/noti2441
- 2021 1. S. Aksoy, A. Hagberg, C. Joslyn, B. Kay, E. Purvine, S. Young, *Models and Methods for Sparse (Hyper)Network Science in Business, Industry and Government*, Notices of the American Mathematical Society, 2021, DOI: 10.1090/noti2424

Software

- **GENTTSV: Tensor Algorithms for Nonuniform Hypergraphs** (Python) Scalable tensor-times-same-vector algorithms for nonuniform hypergraph adjacency tensors, contributor.
- Hyperedge-Triplets (Python) Hypergraph motif mining algorithms, contributor.
- HyperNetX (Python) Hypergraph visualization and exploratory data analytics, contributor.
- Chapel Hypergraph Library (Chapel) Scalable hypergraph generation & analysis, contributor.
- Relative Hausdorff Distance (Python) linear time algorithm (rh_distance) for computing Relative Hausdorff distance between graphs, co-author
- Transactive Energy Simulation Platform (Python) Valuation and simulation of energy market mechanisms and participants, contributor.

Patents

• Methods and Systems for Evaluating Data Transportability in Distribution Grids, Determination of Transportability Index, Patent No.: US 11,637,756 B2, 2023, PDF

Professional Service

- Conference Session Organizer
 - Mathematics of Knowledge Graphs: Theory and Application, Joint Mathematics Meetings (2025), [link]
 - Combinatorics for Science, Joint Mathematics Meetings (2024), [link]

- Network Science Beyond Graphs, SIAM Conference on Discrete Mathematics (2024), [link]
- Hypergraph Random Walks, Random Models, and Spectral Theory, SIAM Conference on Discrete Mathematics (2022), [link]
- Applied Combinatorial Methods, Joint Mathematics Meetings (2022), [link]
- Graph Theory and its Applications, Canadian Math Society Winter Meeting (2021), [link]
- Applied Combinatorial Methods, Joint Mathematics Meetings (2021), [link]

• Workshop Organizer

- Software for Tensor-based Analysis of General Hypergraphs, SIAM Conference on Mathematics of Data Science (2024), [link]
- Models and Methods for Sparse (Hyper)Network Science, AMS Mathematics Research Communities (2022), [link]

• Editorial & Program Committee Work

- Program Committee: 12th International Conference on Complex Networks and their Applications (2023), [link]
- Guest Editor: Journal of Combinatorics, Special Issue on Applied Combinatorial Methods (2023), Vol 14, No. 4, [link]
- Referee & Reviewer: Notices of the AMS, Journal of Combinatorics, Theoretical Computer Science, Linear Algebra & Applications, Graphs & Combinatorics, SIAM J. Math Data Science, SIAM Undergraduate Research Online, Journal of Algebraic Combinatorics, Ars Combinatoria, Network Science, Mathematical Reviews, MathSciNet
- Graduate Student Association Representative, UC San Diego Math Department (2015-2016)
- Webmaster, "Erdős' Problems on Graphs" website (2014-2015)

Talks

2024 Oct. SIAM Math of Data Science (Session on Data Science for Science)

Invited Talk: Mathematics for Data Science

Oct. Washington State University Everett (Industry Mentor Workshop)

Invited Panelist: Data Analytics in Government

Sep University of Bristol (Graph Similarity Workshop)

Invited Talk: Relative Hausdorff Distance for Graph Similarity

Jan. Joint Math Meetings (ILAS Session on Graphs & Matrices)

Invited Talk: Scalable tensor methods for nonuniform hypergraphs

Jan. **Joint Math Meetings** (Applications of Extremal Graph Theory to Network Design) Invited Talk: Spectral Threshold for Extremal Cyclic Edge-Connectivity

2022 Nov. North Carolina State University (Algebra & Combinatorics Seminar)

Invited Talk: Non-reversible Markov Chains and Hypergraph Data Analysis

May North Carolina State University (Laboratory for Analytic Sciences Exchange)

Invited Talk: Tractable, Applicable Hypergraph-Native Data Analysis

2021 Aug. **Pacific Northwest National Laboratory** (Mathematics for Biology Bootcamp) Invited Talk: *Graph Theory for Data Science*

Jun. **Graduate Research Workshop in Combinatorics** (Professional Development Event) Invited Panelist: *Industry Careers for Mathematicians*

2020 Dec. University of Washington (Probability Seminar)

Invited Talk: Random walks on graphs and hypergraphs: eigenvalues and clustering

Oct. **AMS Fall Western Sectional** (Session on Graphs and Matrices)
Invited Talk: Hypergraph random walks, Laplacians, and clustering

- Oct. University of Washington (Applied Mathematics Seminar)
 - Invited Talk: Random walks on graphs and hypergraphs: eigenvalues and clustering, [video]
- 2019 Sep. **AMS Fall Central Sectional** (Session on Combinatorics, Functions and Logic)

 The maximum relaxation time of a random walk
- 2018 Jan. **AMS Joint Math Meetings** (Special Session: Applied and Computational Combinatorics) Invited Talk: A generative graph model for electrical infrastructure networks.
- 2017 June UC San Diego (Final Defense)

Random walks on directed graphs and orientations of graphs.

- Apr. **AMS Sectional**, Washington State University (Clustering of Graphs: Theory & Practice)
 Invited Talk: Measuring and modeling bipartite graphs with community structure.
- 2016 Nov. Purdue University (Geometry Seminar)

Invited Talk: Problems in the spectral theory of directed and oriented graphs.

- Oct. **AMS Fall Sectional**, University of Denver (Analysis on Graphs & Spectral Graph Theory) Invited Talk: Extreme values of the stationary distribution of random walks on directed graphs.
- Aug. Pacific Northwest National Laboratory (NSIP Symposium)

A generative graph model for the power-grid.

- June UC San Diego (Stochastic Networks Conference: Short Talk & Poster Session)

 Extreme values of the stationary distribution of random walks on directed graphs.
- Feb. Claremont Colleges (Algebra, Number Theory, & Combinatorics Seminar)

Invited Talk: Strong orientations of graphs and Cheeger's inequality.

UC San Diego (Advancement to Candidacy Seminar)

Two problems on the spectral theory of directed graphs

Jan. AMS Joint Math Meetings (Special Session on Research from the GRWC)

Invited Talk: Graphs with many strong orientations.

2015 Sep. Sandia National Laboratories, Livermore (Seminar)

A generative bipartite graph model with affiliation structure.

2014 Aug. University of Denver (Graduate Research Workshop Open Problem Seminar)

The connectivity of randomly oriented graphs.

2010 July Pomona College (NSF-funded REU Seminar)

Game theory in school choice.

Teaching and Interns

- 2019– Intern Supervisor, Pacific Northwest National Laboratory
 - Martin Buck (graduate), Tufts University, Summers 2022-2024
 - Tatyana Benko (graduate), University of Oregon, Summer 2022-2024
 - Jason Niu (graduate), University of Buffalo, Summers 2022, 2024
 - Nicholas Landry (graduate), University of Colorado Boulder, Fall 2021
 - Ilya Amburg (graduate), Cornell University, Summer 2021
 - Mirah Shi (undergraduate), Barnard College, Summer 2021
 - Sankar Harilal (high school), Hanford High School, Summer 2021
 - Terran Mott (undergraduate), Grinnell College Summer 2019
- 2020 **Research Group Lead**, Washington Experimental Math Lab, University of Washington Mentees: Haley Riggs, Chuan Shi, Jiaqi Su
- 2016–2017 **Head Teaching Assistant**, UC San Diego Math Department

Responsibilities: training and evaluating new TAs, serving as a first point of contact for conflicts and grievances, representing graduate students in departmental affairs.

2012–2016 Teaching Assistant, UC San Diego Math Department

12 Courses: Discrete Math & Graph Theory, Combinatorics, Complex Analysis, Mathematical Reasoning, Linear Algebra, Calculus and Analytic Geometry, Calculus I-III.

Fellowships and Awards

2019	Author of the Year, Pacific Northwest National Laboratory, National Security Directorate
2016 Jun.	Outstanding Poster Award, Stochastic Networks Conference
2013 – 2014	Graduate Student Research Fellowship, UC San Diego
2012 – 2013	Graduate Assistance in Areas of National Need Fellowship, UC San Diego
2012 – 2013	M. Salah Baouendi Graduate Fellowship, UC San Diego
2012 Jun.	General Honors, University of Chicago