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Employment

Georgia Institute of Technology

2024 - Present

School of Mathematics and School of Computer Science $Assistant\ Professor$

Princeton University

2022 - 2023

Department of Mathematics

Instructor and NSF Postdoctoral Fellow (Sponsoring Scientist: Maria Chudnovsky)

University of Warsaw

2022

Institute of Informatics

Postdoc in ERC project (Principal Investigator: Marcin Pilipczuk)

Education

University of Waterloo

2022

Ph.D. in Combinatorics and Optimization (Supervisor: Jim Geelen)

Georgia Institute of Technology

2017

B.Sc. in Discrete Mathematics, highest honors

Papers

Submitted

- 27. Girth in GF(q)-representable matroids, with James Davies, Meike Hatzel, Kolja Knauer, and Torsten Ueckerdt. arXiv: 2504.21797, 2025.
- 26. The Structural Complexity of Matrix-Vector Multiplication, with Emile Anand and Jan van den Brand. arXiv: 2502.21240, 2025.
- 25. Fat minors cannot be thinned (by quasi-isometries), with James Davies, Robert Hickingbotham, and Freddie Illingworth. arXiv: 2405.09383, 2024.
- 24. *Universality for graphs with bounded density*, with Noga Alon, Natalie Dodson, Carmen Jackson, Rajko Nenadov, and Lani Southern. arXiv: 2311.05500, 2023.

Accepted

- 23. Strongly sublinear separators and bounded asymptotic dimension for sphere intersection graphs, with James Davies, Agelos Georgakopoulos, and Meike Hatzel. Accepted to the Symposium on Computational Geometry (SoCG), 2025.
- 22. Excluding a clique or a biclique in graphs of bounded induced matching treewidth, with Tara Abrishami, Marcin Briański, Jadwiga Czyżewska, Martin Milanič, Paweł Rzążewski, and Bartosz Walczak. arXiv: 2405.04617, 2024. Accepted to SIAM Journal on Discrete Math (SIDMA).
- 21. A survey of degree-boundedness, with Xiying Du. arXiv: 2403.05737, 2024. Accepted to European Journal of Combinatorics.
- 20. Prime and polynomial distances in colourings of the plane, with James Davies and Michał Pilipczuk. arXiv: 2308.02483, 2023. Accepted to Israel Journal of Mathematics.

Published

- 19. Induced C₄-free subgraphs with high average degree, with Xiying Du, António Girão, Zach Hunter, and Alex Scott. Journal of Combinatorial Theory, Series B (JCTB), 2025.
- 18. Decomposing a signed graph into rooted circuits. Advances in Combinatorics, 2024.
- 17. First-order model checking on monadically stable graph classes, with Jan Dreier, Ioannis Eleftheriadis, Nikolas Mählmann, Michał Pilipczuk, and Szymon Toruńczyk. Symposium on Foundations of Computer Science (FOCS), 2024.
- 16. On classes of bounded tree rank, their interpretations, and efficient sparsification, with Jakub Gajarský. International Colloquium on Automata, Languages, and Programming (ICALP), Track B, 2024.
- 15. On tree decompositions whose trees are minors, with Pablo Blanco, Linda Cook, Meike Hatzel, Claire Hilaire, and Freddie Illingworth. Journal of Graph Theory (JGT) 2024.
- 14. Sparse induced subgraphs in P_6 -free graphs, with Maria Chudnovsky, Marcin Pilipczuk, Michał Pilipczuk, and Paweł Rzążewski. Symposium on Discrete Algorithms (SODA) 2024.
- 13. Grounded L-graphs are polynomially χ -bounded, with James Davies, Tomasz Krawczyk, and Bartosz Walczak. Discrete & Computational Geometry, 2023.
- 12. Geometric graphs with unbounded flip-width, with David Eppstein. Conference version: Canadian Conference on Computational Geometry (CCCG).
- 11. Flipper games for monadically stable graph classes, with Jakub Gajarský, Nikolas Mählmann, Pierre Ohlmann, Michał Pilipczuk, Wojciech Przybyszewski,

- Sebastian Siebertz, Marek Sokołowski, and Szymon Toruńczyk. Conference version: International Colloquium on Automata, Languages and Programming (ICALP), Track B, 2023.
- 10. Colouring polygon visibility graphs and their generalizations, with James Davies, Tomasz Krawczyk, and Bartosz Walczak. Conference version: Symposium on Computational Geometry (SoCG), 2021. Full version: Journal of Combinatorial Theory, Series B (JCTB), 2023.
 - 9. Dense induced subgraphs of dense bipartite graphs. SIAM Journal on Discrete Math (SIDMA), 2021.
 - 8. Obstructions for bounded shrub-depth and rank-depth, with O-joung Kwon, Sang-il Oum, and Paul Wollan. Journal of Combinatorial Theory, Series B (JCTB), 2021.
- 7. Sublinear separators in intersection graphs of convex shapes, with Zdeněk Dvořák and Sergey Norin. SIAM Journal on Discrete Math (SIDMA), 2021.
- 6. Circle graphs are quadratically χ -bounded, with James Davies. Bulletin of the London Mathematical Society, 2020.
- 5. The grid theorem for vertex-minors, with Jim Geelen, O-joung Kwon, and Paul Wollan. Journal of Combinatorial Theory, Series B (JCTB), 2020.
- 4. 7-Connected graphs are 4-ordered, with Yan Wang and Xingxing Yu. Journal of Combinatorial Theory, Series B (JCTB), 2020.
- 3. The extremal function for bipartite linklessly embeddable graphs, with Robin Thomas. Combinatorica, 2019.
- 2. The extremal function and Colin de Verdière graph parameter. The Electronic Journal of Combinatorics, 2018.

Thesis

1. Local structure for vertex-minors, University of Waterloo, 2021.

Selected talks

Plenary talks

International Workshop on Graph-Theoretic Concepts in Computer Science (WG), Belgium

JUNE 2026 (UPCOMING)

Bertinoro Workshop on Algorithms and Graphs, Italy

OCT 2025 (UPCOMING)

Lake Michigan Workshop on Combinatorics and Graph Theory, Chicago

2025

European Conference on Combinatorics, Graph Theory and Applications

(EUROCOMB), Czech Republic

2023

Invited conference and workshop talks

| Workshop on Quantum Graph States, Arlington | 2025 |
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| Barbados Graph Theory Workshop, Barbados | 2025 |
| Very Informal Gathering of Logicians (VIG), Los Angeles | 2025 |
| Oberwolfach Graph Theory workshop, Germany | 2025 |
| BIRS Workshop on New Perspectives in Colouring and Structure, Banff | 2024 |
| Shanks Workshop on Combinatorics and Graph Theory, Nashville | 2024 |
| Barbados Graph Theory Workshop, Barbados | 2024 |
| Structural Graph Theory Bootcamp, Warsaw | 2023 |
| MATRIX-IBS Workshop: Structural Graph Theory Downunder, Australia | a 2023 |
| AMS Special Session on Logic, Combinatorics, and their Interactions, Atlan | nta 2023 |
| Tenth Annual Workshop on Geometry and Graphs, Barbados | 2023 |
| Workshop on Graph Theory and Combinatorics | |
| in Memory of Robin Thomas, Atlanta | 2022 |
| Structural Graph Theory Workshop at Gultowy | 2022 |
| Banff Graph Product Structure Theory Workshop, online | 2021 |
| Dagstuhl Seminar on Sparsity, online | 2021 |
| Canadian Discrete and Algorithmic Math Conference (CanaDAM), online | 2021 |
| Width Parameters Workshop (JCRAALMA), online | 2021 |
| CMS Winter Meeting, Toronto | 2019 |
| Canadian Discrete and Algorithmic Math Conference (CanaDAM), Vancour | ver 2019 |
| Oberwolfach Meeting on Graph Theory, Oberwolfach | 2019 |
| SIAM Conference on Discrete Math, Denver | 2018 |
| Workshop on Structure in Graphs and Matroids (SiGMa), Waterloo | 2017 |
| Invited seminar talks | |
| University of Warsaw, Algorithms Seminar, Warsaw | 2025 |
| Combinatorial Mathematics Society of Australasia Seminar, online | 2024 |
| Willamette University Mathematics Colloquium, online | 2024 |
| Shanghai Center for Mathematical Sciences Combinatorics Seminar, onlin | e 2023 |
| Te Herenga Waka (Victoria University of Wellington), Wellington | 2023 |
| Rutgers University, Discrete Math Seminar, New Brunswick | 2023 |
| Oxford, Discrete Math and Probability Seminar, online | 2022 |
| Tulane University, Algebra and Combinatorics Seminar, New Orleans | 2022 |
| Louisiana State University, Combinatorics Seminar, Baton Rouge | 2022 |
| Jagiellonian University, Theoretical Computer Science Seminar, Kraków | 2022 |

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| Georgia Tech, Combinatorics Seminar, Atlanta | 2021 |
| University of Birmingham, Combinatorics Semina | r, online 2021 |
| Princeton University, Discrete Math Seminar, onli | ine 2021 |
| Korean Institute for Basic Science, Virtual Discret | te Math Colloquium, online 2021 |
| Matroid Union, Graphs and Matroids Seminar, or | nline 2020 |
| Louisiana State University, Combinatorics Semina | ar, online 2020 |
| LaBRI, Graphs and Optimization Seminar, online | 2020 |
| Georgia Tech, Graph Theory Seminar, online | 2020 |
| Iowa State University, Discrete Zoominar, online | 2020 |
| Incheon National University, Combinatorics Semin | nar, Incheon 2019 |
| IBS/KAIST, Joint Discrete Math Seminar, Daejo | n 2019 |
| LaBRI, Graphs and Optimization Seminar, Borde | eaux 2019 |
| Georgia Tech, Graph Theory Seminar, Atlanta | 2018 |
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| Teaching | |
| Instructor, School of Mathematics, Georgia Institu | ite of Technology |
| Structure for Dense Graphs (MATH 8803) (Instru | ictor overall: 4.9/5) FALL 2024 |
| Combinatorial Analysis (MATH 4032) (Instructor | coverall: $4.61/5$) Spring 2024 |
| Thank-a-Teacher Certificate | Spring 2024 |
| Instructor, Department of Mathematics, Princeton | . University |
| Calculus I | FALL 2023 |
| Calculus 1 | FALL 2025 |
| Instructor , Dept. Combinatorics and Optimization | n, U. Waterloo |
| Network Flow Theory | Fall 2018 |
| Teaching Assistant, Dept. Combinatorics and Op | etimization, U. Waterloo |
| Outstanding TA Award (awarded once a semester | , |
| Combinatorial Optimization (graduate level) | Fall 2020 |
| Graph Theory (graduate level) | FALL 2019 |
| Intro to Graph Theory | Spring 2020, Spring 2019 |
| Intro to Combinatorics | WINTER 2020, SUMMER 2018 |
| Intro to Optimization (advanced level) | WINTER 2018 |
| Linear Algebra for Engineering | FALL 2017 |
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2022

Georgia Tech, Graph Theory Seminar, Atlanta

Supervising

PhD students

| James Anderson, co-supervised with Anton Bernshteyn | Graduated Fall 2024 |
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| Xiying Du, co-supervised with Xingxing Yu | Spring 2024 - Present |
| Caleb McFarland | Fall 2024 - Present |

Undergraduate research

| Georgia Tech REU on Mathematics | Jun - Jul 2024 |
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| REU on Combinatorics and Coding Theory | Jun - Jul 2023 |
| PACM summer fellowship at Princeton University | Jun - Jul 2023 |
| Senior thesis at Princeton University | SEP 2022 - APR 2023 |
| REU on Combinatorics and Coding Theory | Jun - Jul 2020 |

Service

Editorial board member

| Annals of Combinatorics | Feb 2024 - Present |
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| European Journal of Combinatorics | Oct 2021 - Present |
| Matroid Union (online math blog – see posts [1, 2, 3]) | Apr 2020 - Present |

Co-organizer

| Barbados Graph Theory Workshop | 2026 (Upcoming) |
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| School of Mathematics Colloquium | Jan 2024 - Present |
| Graph Theory Seminar | June 2024 - Present |
| Matroid Union Seminar (weekly online seminar) | Apr 2020 - Apr 2021 |
| Graphs and Matroids Seminar (weekly local seminar) | SEP 2019 - APR 2020 |

Speaker

| Panel member on navigating graduate student life in MATH 6001 | 2024 |
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| REU on Combinatorics and Coding Theory | 2023 |
| Noetherian Ring Seminar at Princeton University | 2023 |
| Magnet Alumni Speaker Series at Wheeler High School | 2020 |
| Waterloo Math Undergrad Research Conference | 2019 |
| Undergrad Research Program in Combinatorics and Optimization | 2019 |

Committees

External support

NSF Postdoctoral Research Fellowship, \$150,000

2022 - 2025