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JÁN PICH

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Research area: Mathematical Logic and Complexity Theory



Postdoctoral research positions

(University of Oxford (Department of Computer Science) Sep 2018 - Aug 2019	and Mar 2020 - present
(Czech Academy of Sciences (Institute of Mathematics)	Sep 2019 - Feb 2020
(University of Vienna (Kurt Gödel Research Center for Mathematical Logic)	Sep 2016 - Aug 2018
(University of Leeds (School of Computing)	Sep 2015 - Aug 2016
(University of Toronto (Department of Computer Science)	Jan 2015 - Jun 2015

Education

Charles University in Prague (Faculty of Mathematics and Physics)

PhD; Algebra, Theory of Numbers and Mathematical Logic
Thesis: Complexity Theory in Feasible Mathematics
 Mgr; Mathematical Structures
Thesis: Hard Tautologies
 Bc; Mathematics
Sep 2011 - Nov 2014
 Sep 2009 - May 2011
 Thesis: Bounded Arithmetic and Theory of Razborov and Rudich

Supervisor: Jan Krajíček (2007-2014)

Other academic appointments

- Visitor, Simons Institute for the Theory of Computing, UC Berkeley, US, 10 October 30 November, 2018 and 1 February 14 May 2021 (planned)
- o Intern, National Institute of Informatics, Tokyo, JP, 5 September 12 October, 2014
- o Visiting fellow, Isaac Newton Institute for Mathematical Sciences, Cambridge, UK, 1 March 11 May, 2012
- o Erasmus scholarship, Durham University, UK, October 2010 February 2011

Research papers

 Learning algorithms from circuit lower bounds preprint. (Nov 2020)

 Beyond natural proofs, with L.Chen, S.Hirahara, I.C.Oliveira, N.Rajgopal and R.Santhanam Innovations in Theoretical Computer Science 2020. (Nov 2019)

- Hardness magnification near state-of-the-art lower bounds, with Igor C. Oliveira and Rahul Santhanam Computational Complexity Conference 2019. (Sep 2018)
- Feasibly constructive proofs of succinct weak circuit lower bounds, with Moritz Müller Annals of Pure and Applied Logic, 2019. (Sep 2017)
- Understanding Gentzen and Frege systems for QBF, with Olaf Beyersdorff
 Proc. of the 31st Annual ACM Symposium on Logic in Computer Science 2016.

- Logical strength of complexity theory and a formalization of the PCP theorem in bounded arithmetic Logical Methods in Computer Science, 11(2), 2015. (Jun 2014)
- o Circuit Lower Bounds in Bounded Arithmetics

Annals of Pure and Applied Logic, 166(1), 2015. (May 2013)

• Nisan-Wigderson generators in proof systems with forms of interpolation

Mathematical Logic Quarterly, 57(4), 2011. (Mar 2010)

Poetry collection

o Mathesis universalis, *Literis*, 2016.

Talks

• Beyond natural proofs

Academy of Sciences, Prague, October 2019

• Hardness magnification near state-of-the-art lower bounds

Computational Complexity Conference, New Brunswick, July 2019

University of Cambridge, May 2019

Academy of Sciences, Prague, December 2018

o Provability of weak circuit lower bounds

Logic and Computational Complexity, Oxford, July 2018

Proof complexity workshop, Dagstuhl, February 2018

Bounded arithmetic workshop, Prague, November 2017

Royal Holloway, University of London, October 2017

o Gentzen and Frege systems for QBF

Computational Logic Day, Vienna, January 2017

Logic Colloquium, Leeds, August 2016.

Proof complexity workshop, St. Petersburg, May 2016

• Logical strength of complexity theory and a formalization of the PCP theorem in bounded arithmetic

Proof complexity workshop, Vienna, July 2014

o Circuit lower bounds in bounded arithmetics

Logic Colloquium, Vienna, July 2014

32nd Weak Arithmetics Days, Athens, June 2013

o Proof complexity of circuit lower bounds

Logical approaches to barriers in complexity II, Cambridge, March 2012

• Hard tautologies

Isaac Newton Institute, Cambridge, March 2012

o NW-generators in proof systems with FIP

Proof Complexity and Verification seminar, Swansea University, January 2011 Logic Seminar, Mathematical Institute of Academy of Sciences in Prague, May 2010