CURRICULUM VITAE

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Postdoctoral research positions



Sep 2019 - Feb 2020

Sep 2016 - Aug 2018

Sep 2015 - Aug 2016

Jan 2015 - Jun 2015

- University of Oxford (Department of Computer Science) Sep 2018 Aug 2019 & Mar 2020 present Royal Society Research Fellow ('21 -) MSCA Individual Fellow ('20 - '22)
- Czech Academy of Sciences (Institute of Mathematics)
- University of Vienna (Kurt Gödel Research Center for Mathematical Logic)
- University of Leeds (School of Computing)
- University of Toronto (Department of Computer Science)

Education

Charles University in Prague (Faculty of Mathematics and Physics)			
$\circ~{\rm PhD};$ Algebra, Theory of Numbers and Mathematical Logic	Sep 2011 - Nov 2014		
Thesis: Complexity Theory in Feasible Mathematics			
• Mgr; Mathematical Structures	Sep 2009 - May 2011		
Thesis: Hard Tautologies			
• Bc; Mathematics	Sep 2006 - Jun 2009		
Thesis: Bounded Arithmetic and Theory of Razborov and Rudich			
Supervisor: Jan Krajíček (2007-2014)			

Other academic appointments

- Visiting scholar, Simons Institute for the Theory of Computing, Berkeley, US
 10 January 12 May 2023, 1 February 14 May 2021 and 10 October 29 November 2018
- Intern, National Institute of Informatics, Tokyo, JP, 5 September 12 October 2014
- Visiting fellow, Isaac Newton Institute for Mathematical Sciences, Cambridge, UK 1 March - 11 May 2012
- Erasmus scholarship, Durham University, UK, October 2010 February 2011

Grants

0	Royal Society University Research Fellowship	Oct 2021 - Feb 2027
0	Marie Skłodowska-Curie Individual Fellowship	Mar 2020 - Feb 2022

Research papers

- From proof complexity to circuit complexity via interactive protocols with Noel Arteche, Erfan Khaniki and Rahul Santhanam International Colloquium on Automata, Languages and Programming 2024.
- Towards P ≠ NP from Extended Frege lower bounds, with Rahul Santhanam arXiv. (Dec 2023)

• Localizability of the approximation method

Computational Complexity, 33, 12, 2024. (Dec 2022)

- Learning algorithms versus automatability of Frege systems, with Rahul Santhanam arXiv. (Oct 2021)
- Learning algorithms from circuit lower bounds *arXiv.* (Nov 2020)
- Strong co-nondeterministic lower bounds for NP cannot be proved feasibly, with Rahul Santhanam Symposium on Theory of Computing 2021.
- Beyond natural proofs: hardness magnification and locality with Lijie Chen, Shuichi Hirahara, Igor C.Oliveira, Ninad Rajgopal and Rahul Santhanam Innovations in Theoretical Computer Science 2020. (Nov 2019)
- Why are proof complexity lower bounds hard? with Rahul Santhanam Foundations of Computer Science 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 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)
- 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

• Mathesis universalis, *Literis*, 2016.

Some Talks

- \circ Towards $P \neq NP$ from Extended Frege lower bounds
 - Simons Institute for the Theory of Computing, Berkeley, March 2023
- Learning algorithms versus automatability of Frege systems
 Workshop on Metacomplexity, Barriers and Derandomization, Rutgers University, 2022
- Strong co-nondeterministic lower bounds for NP cannot be proved feasibly Symposium on Theory of Computing, virtual, June 2021
- 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

- Provability of weak circuit lower bounds
 Logic and Computational Complexity, Oxford, July 2018
 Proof complexity workshop, Dagstuhl, February 2018
 Royal Holloway, University of London, October 2017
- Gentzen and Frege systems for QBF 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

- Circuit lower bounds in bounded arithmetics
 Logic Colloquium, Vienna, July 2014
 32nd Weak Arithmetics Days, Athens, June 2013
- Proof complexity of circuit lower bounds
 Logical approaches to barriers in complexity II, Cambridge, March 2012
- Hard tautologies
 Isaac Newton Institute, Cambridge, March 2012
- 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