Curriculum Vitae

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Date of Birth January 6, 1977

Present Position

Liu Family Professor of IEOR, and Professor of Mathematics, Columbia University

Research Interests

Graph Theory and Combinatorial Optimization

Employment history

2014- Professor, Columbia University

2006-2013 Associate Professor, Columbia University

2005-2006 Assistant Professor, Princeton University

2003-2008 Clay Research Fellow, The Clay Mathematics Institute

2003-2005 Veblen Research Instructor, Princeton University and the IAS

Education

Ph.D Princeton University, Mathematics, 2003

Thesis Title: Berge Trigraphs and Their Applications.

Thesis Advisor: Paul Seymour

M.A Princeton University, 2002

M.SC Technion, Israel Institute of Technology, Mathematics, 1999.

Thesis Title: Systems of Disjoint Representatives.

Thesis Advisor: Ron Aharoni

B.A. Summa Cum Laude Technion, Israel Institute of Technology, Mathematics, 1996.

Honors and Awards

- Invited speaker, Combinatorics Section, International Congress of Mathematicians, Seoul 2014
- MacArthur Foundation Fellowship (2013-2017)
- NSF Grant DMS-1265803 (2013-2018)
- NSF Grant IIS-1117631 (2011-2014, joint with Tony Jebara)
- NSF Grant DMS-1001091 (2010-2013)
- D.R. Fulkerson Prize (2009, joint with Neil Robertson, Paul Seymour and Robin Thomas)
- NSF Grant DMS-0758364 (2008-2011)
- Ostrowski research stipend (2004)
- Clay Mathematics Institute Research Fellowship (2003-2008)

Editorial Boards

Journal of Graph Theory, SIAM Journal on Discrete Mathematics, Discrete Mathematics and Theoretical Computer Science

Program Committees: SODA 2009, Perspectives in Discrete Mathematics 2012, SODA 2013, SIAM DM14

Post-doc Supervision

- Bernard Ries (now at Universite Paris Dauphine)
- Andrew King (now at D-Wave Systems)

- Juraj Stacho (now at Google)
- Radoslav Fulek (in progress)

PhD Student Supervision

- Yori Zwols (PhD 2010, now at Google)
- Alexandra Fradkin (PhD 2011, now at the Center for Communications Research, Princeton)
- Irena Penev (PhD 2012, now at ENS Lyon)
- Krzysztof Choromanski (PhD 2013, now at Google Research)
- Matthieu Plumettaz (PhD 2014)
- Peter Maceli (in progress)
- Mingxian Zhong (in progress)
- Irene Lo (in progress)

MSc Student Research Supervision

Mingxian Zhong (2013), Juba Ziani (2013)

Undergraduate Theses Supervision

David Lyn (2005), Rohan Kapadia (2005,2006), Alexandra Ovetsky (2005,2006, Varun Jalan (2010), Max Ehrman (2012)

Other Experience

1996 - 1999 Service in the Israel Defense Force.

Teaching

Spring 2010, Spring 2011, Spring 2012, Spring 2013, Spring 2014 Columbia University, Graph Theory—A Combinatorial View, CSORE4010

Spring 2009 Columbia University, Introduction to OR—Deterministic Models, IEOR4004

- Spring 2009, Spring 2011, Spring 2013 Columbia University, Advanced Topics in IEOR—Graph Theory, IEOR8100
- Fall 2008, Fall 2009, Fall 2010, Fall 2011, Fall 2012 Columbia University, Introduction to Mathematical Programming, IEOR 3608
- Spring 2007, Fall 2009, Fall 2011 Columbia University, Introduction to OR—Deterministic Models, IEOR4004
- Fall 2006 Columbia University, Advanced Topics in IEOR—Graph Theory, IEOR8100
- Spring 2005 Princeton University, Introduction to Graph Theory, MAT306/COS342
- Fall 2002 Princeton University, MAT 202, Linear Algebra With Applications

Invited Talks

2014

- Bordeaux Graph Workshop, Bordeaux, France
- Mathematics Colloquium, Rutgers University, Piscataway, NJ
- Gentry Lectures, Wake Forest University, Winston-Salme, NC
- IMA Workshop on Extremal and Probabilistic Combinatorics, Minneapolis, MN
- Combinatorics Section, ICM 2014, Seoul, South Korea
- 2014 Workshop on Structure in Graphs and Matroids, Princeton, NJ
- Erdos Memorial Lecture, AMS Sectional Meeting, Knoxville, TN
- Forty-Fifth Southeastern International Conference on Combinatorics, Graph Theory, and Computing, Boca Raton, FL
- \bullet Brandeis-Harvard-MIT-Northeastern joint Mathematics Colloquium, NEU, Boston, MA
- Mathematics Colloquium, Caltech, Pasadena, CA
- Oberwolfach Meeting on Combinatorics, Oberwolfach, Germany

2013

• Mathematics Colloquium, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA

- ORFE Colloquium, Princeton University, Princeton, NJ
- Paris Graph Theory Day, Université Paris Diderot, Paris, France
- Women and Mathematics, IAS, Princeton
- Symposium on Visions in the Theory of Computing, UC Berkeley, CA
- McGill University workshop on graph coloring, Bellairs Research Center, Barbados
- Oberwolfach Meeting on Graph Theory, Oberwolfach, Germany

- KAIST Graph Theory Day, KAIST, Daejeon, South Korea
- Columbia Theory Day, Columbia University, New York, NY
- Distinguished Lecture, School of Computing, Informatics, and Decision Systems Engineering, ASU, Tempe, AZ
- Geometry, Structure and Randomness in Combinatorics, Pisa, Italy
- Third Workshop on Graphs and Matroids, Maastricht, The Netherlands
- Joint Colloquium at the Mathematics Institute SANU and Mathematics Faculty of Belgrade University, Belgrade, Serbia
- SIAM conference on Discrete Mathematics, Halifax, Canada
- Matchings, Matroids, and Extensions, A Conference in Honor of Bill Cunningham's 65th Birthday, University of Waterloo, Waterloo, Canada
- Paul Erdös Lecture Series, University of Memphis Centennial Celebration, Memphis,
 TN
- Graph Theory at Georgia Tech, Georgia Tech, Atlanta, GA
- McGill University workshop on graph coloring, Bellairs Research Center, Barbados
- Workshop on χ -bounded graph classes, ENS Lyon, Lyon, France

2011

• Tutte Seminar, University of Waterloo, Ontario, Canada

- University of Connecticut Mathematics Department Colloquium, University of Connecticut, Storrs, CT
- KAIST Graph Theory Day 2011, KAIST, Daejeon, South Korea
- Atlanta Lecture Series in Combinatorics and Graph Theory (featured speaker), Georgia Tech, Atlanta, GA
- Fourh International Conference on Combinatorics, Graph Theory and Applications, Elgersburg, Germany
- One-Day Meeting in Combinatorics, Mathematical Institute, University of Oxford, Oxford, UK
- A conference on Structural Graph Theory, Universite Paris 7, Paris, France
- Oberwolfach Meeting on Combinatorics, Oberwolfach, Germany

- Workshop on Discrete Optimization, IPAM, Los Angeles, CA
- PACM Colloquium, Princeton University, Princeton, NJ
- Conference on Geometric Graph Theory, EPFL, Lausanne, Switzerland
- Second Workshop on Graphs and Matroids, Maastricht, The Netherlands
- Minisymposium on Graph Coloring, SIAM Discrete Math meeting, Austin, TX
- Symposium "Diskrete Mathematik", Vienna, Austria
- Operations Research Center Seminar, MIT, Boston, MA
- Mathematics Colloquium, University of Calgary, Calgary, AB, Canada
- Mathematics Colloquium, University of Central Florida, Orlando, FL
- Oberwolfach Meeting on Graph Theory, Oberwolfach, Germany
- Mathematics Undergraduate Colloquium, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA

- Bertinoro Workshop on Algorithms and Graphs, Bertinoro, Italy
- Workshop on Topics in Graphs and Hypergraphs, IPAM, Los Angeles, CA
- Mathematics Colloquium, University of Buenos Aires, Buenos Aires, Argentina
- Mathematics Colloquium, Technion, Haifa, Israel
- 2009 AMS Spring Central Sectional Meeting, Special Session on Graph Theory, UIUC, Champaign, IL
- Everett Pitcher Lecture Series, Lehigh University, Bethlehem, PA
- 13th Combinatorial Optimization Workshop, Aussois, France
- Invited MAA address at the 2009 Joint Mathematics Meetings, Washington, DC

- The Fourth International Conference on Combinatorial Mathematics and Combinatorial Computing, Auckland, New Zealand
- BIRS workshop on Graph Minors, Banff, Canada
- Graph Theory 2008 at Sandbjerg Manor, Denmark
- Netherlands Workshop on Graphs and Matroids, Sittard, The Netherlands
- Princeton/Oxford Meeting, Oxford University, Oxford, England
- Workshop on Combinatorial Optimization and Discrete Algorithms, RIMS, Kyoto, Japan
- New Directions in Algorithms, Combinatorics, and Optimization, Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, GA
- Mathematics Colloquium, Haifa University, Haifa, Israel
- Joint Mathematics and IME Colloquium, WMU, Kalamazoo, MI
- Mathematics Colloquium, Bringham Young University, Provo, Utah
- 3eme cycle romand de Recherche Operationnelle, Zinal, Switzerland
- Oberwolfach Meeting on Combinatorics, Oberwolfach, Germany

- Joint Meeting of the AMS NZMS 2007, Victria University, Wellington, New Zealand
- IV Latin-American Graphs Algorithms and Optimization, Puerto Varas, Chile
- The ADONET-CIRM School on Graphs and Algorithms, Levico Terme, Italy
- Combinatorics Seminar, CUNY Graduate Center, New York, NY
- Princeton Discrete Math Seminar, Princeton, NJ
- 21st British Combinatorial Conference, Reading, UK
- C&O@40, University of Waterloo, Waterloo, ON, Canada
- 20th Cumberland Conference, Emory University, Atlanta, GA
- Oberwolfach Meeting on Graph Theory, Oberwolfach, Germany
- ACM-SIAM Symposium on Discrete Algorithms (SODA), New Orleans, LA

- Combinatorics Seminar, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI
- Discrete Mathematics and Theoretical Computer Science Seminar, Yale University, New Haven, CT
- CS Colloquium, City University of New York, New York, NY
- 2nd Annual Heilbronn Conference, Bristol, UK
- CS Colloquium, New York University, New York, NY
- 19th International Symposium on Mathematical Programming, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil
- SIAM Conference on Discrete Mathematics, Victoria, BC
- Sixth Haifa Workshop on Interdisciplinary Applications of Graph Theory, Combinatorics and Algorithms, University of Haifa, Haifa, Israel
- Theory of Computing Seminar, The Hebrew University at Jerusalem, Jerusalem, Israel
- Bar Ilan University Discrete Math Seminar, Israel

- Discrete Math Seminar, The Hebrew University at Jerusalem, Jerusalem, Israel
- Discrete Math and Theory of Computing Seminar, Rutgers University, Piscataway, NJ
- Joint SFU/UBC Disrete Mathematics Computing Science Seminar, Vancouver, BC, Canada
- Theory of combinatorial algorithms mittagseminar, ETH, Zurich, Switzerland
- Oberwolfach Meeting on Combinatorics, Oberwolfach, Germany

- Workshop on Graph Classes, Width Parameters and Optimization, Prague, The Czech Republic
- 7th International Colloquium on Graph Theory ICGT '05, Giens, France
- Combinatorics Seminar, UC Berkeley, Berkeley, CA
- Mathematics Colloquium UC Berkeley, Berkeley, CA
- Combinatorial Mathematics and its Applications, Oxford, England
- Princeton/Oxford Meeting, Oxford University, Oxford, England
- Mathematics Colloquium, The Ohio State University, Columbus, OH
- 49th Graph Theory Day, Shirley, NY
- MAA annual meeting, Metropolitan New York Section, Queens, NY
- Workshop on Combinatorics and Telecommunications, Icapui, Ceara, Brazil
- Computer Science/Discrete Mathematics Seminar, IAS, Princeton, NJ
- 9th Combinatorial Optimization Workshop, Aussois, France
- CAM Colloquium, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY
- Oberwolfach Meeting on Graph Theory, Oberwolfach, Germany
- Algorithms seminar, McGill University, Montreal, Canada

- Joint conference: the 2004 NZIMA Conference in Combinatorics and its Applications and the 29th Australasian Conference in Combinatorial Mathematics and Combinatorial Computing, Lake Taupo, New Zealand
- Combinatorics Seminar, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA
- ACCOTA 2004 International Workshop, Combinatorial and Computational Aspects of Optimization, Topology and Algebra, San Cristbal de las Casas, Chiapas, Mexico
- Tenth annual Big Sky Conference on Discrete Mathematics, Missoula, MN
- Latin American Conference on Combinatorics, Graphs and Applications, Santiago, Chile
- Prague Midsummer Combinatorial Workshop XI, Prague, Czech Republic
- Graph Theory 2004 conference in memory of Claude Berge, Paris, France
- SIAM Conference on Discrete Mathematics, Nashville, TN
- Computer Science Colloquium, University of Haifa, Haifa, Israel
- Mathematics Colloquium, The Technion, Haifa, Israel
- Fourth Haifa Workshop on Interdisciplinary Applications of Graph Theory, Combinatorics and Algorithms, University of Haifa, Haifa, Israel
- France-Israel Expert Workshop on Graph Classes and Graph Algorithms, University of Haifa, Haifa, Israel
- Computer Science/ Discrete Math Seminar, IAS, Princeton, NJ
- Combinatorics Seminar, LaPCS, Université Claude Bernard Lyon 1, Lyon, France
- Oberwolfach Meeting on Combinatorics, Oberwolfach, Germany

- Advances in Graph and Matroid Theory, The Ohio State University, Columbus, OH
- DIMACS Mixer Series, Princeton, NJ
- Princeton/Oxford Meeting, Oxford University, Oxford, England
- Combinatorics, Probability and Algorithms, Centre de recherches mathematiques, Universite de Montreal, Montreal, Canada

- Combinatorics Seminar, Tel-Aviv University, Tel-Aviv, Israel
- Spring School on Combinatorics, Topology and Convexity at the Institute for Advanced Study, The Hebrew University at Jerusalem, Jerusalem, Israel
- Erdos Lecture, The Hebrew University at Jerusalem, Jerusalem, Israel
- Special Colloquium, Haifa University, Haifa, Israel
- CMI Research Academy, Clay Mathematics Institute, Cambridge, MA
- Combinatorics Seminar, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA
- CS Theory Seminar, Department of Computer Science, Princeton, NJ
- ACO Colloquium, Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, GA
- Tenth Workshop on Applied/Advanced Research in Combinatorial Optimization, University of Southern Denmark, Odense, Denmark
- Oberwolfach Meeting on Graph Theory, Oberwolfach, Germany
- Tutte Seminar, University of Waterloo, Ontario, Canada

- ACCOTA 2002 International Workshop, Combinatorial and Computational Aspects of Optimization, Topology and Algebra, San Cristbal de las Casas, Chiapas, Mexico
- 2nd Columbia Optimization Day, Advances in Optimization, Columbia University, New York, NY
- ARCC Workshop on The Perfect Graph Conjecture, American Institute of Mathematics, Palo Alto, CA
- The Joint ALADDIN/Theory/Operations Research Seminar, Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh, PA
- Discrete Math/Theory of Computing Seminar, Rutgers University, Piscataway, NJ
- Combinatorics and Number Theory Seminar, SUNY at Binghamton
- A Conference on Matroid Structure Theory in Honour of W.T. Tutte, The Ohio State University
- CS Theory Seminar, Department of Computer Science, Princeton

- Oberwolfach Meeting on Geometric Convex Combinatorics, Oberwolfach, Germany
- Discrete Mathematics Day at Dartmouth College

- Courant Institute Geometry Seminar, NYU, New York, NY
- Princeton Discrete Math Seminar, Princeton, NJ
- Sectional meeting of AMS, April 28-29, 2001 Session on matchings in graphs and hypergraphs

- Bar Ilan University Discrete Math Seminar, Israel
- The Technion Discrete Math Seminar, Israel