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Positions held

Sept 2018 – present Boston College
Associate Professor

July 2012 – Aug 2018 Boston College
Assistant Professor

August 2009 – June 2012 Yale University
Gibbs Assistant Professor, NSF Postdoctoral Fellow

Degrees and Academic Experience

June 2009 University of Chicago
PhD - Mathematics
Thesis: *Algebra vs. geometry in hyperbolic 3-manifolds*

June 2005 University of Chicago
Master of Sciences - Mathematics

May 2004 Oberlin College
Bachelor of Arts - Mathematics with Highest Honors

May 2004 Oberlin College
Bachelor of Arts - Computer Science

June-July 2003 Oregon State University
Research Experiences for Undergraduates

Honors

September 2017 NSF CAREER Award
Rank, genus and Betti numbers of large-volume manifolds.

September 2016 NSF Grant - Topology

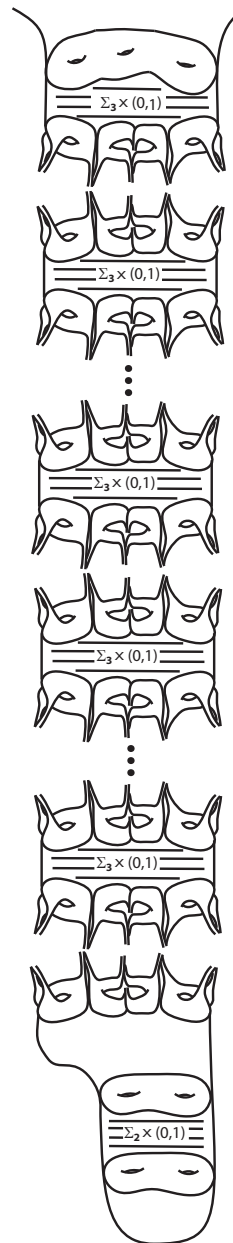
September 2012 NSF Grant - Topology

January 2009 NSF Postdoctoral Fellowship

March 2008 Graves Teaching Prize, University of Chicago

May 2004 Orr Memorial Prize in Mathematics, Oberlin College

2003-2004 Barry M. Goldwater Scholarship



Colloquia and Seminar Talks

- 2022 UW-Milwaukee Colloquium
- 2021 CUNY, The Technion
- 2020 UT Austin, Columbia.
- 2019 Université Paul Sabatier, Dartmouth College
- 2018 Harvard University
- 2017 Brown University, Caltech, Yale University.
- 2016 University of Pittsburgh, Temple University, Yale University
- 2015 MIT, CUNY, Tufts.
- 2014 Colby College (Colloquium), Yale University
- 2013 Brown University, California Institute of Technology.
- 2012 Pennsylvania State University, University of Pennsylvania, Boston College,
University of Iowa, University of Wisconsin, University of California - Berkeley.
- 2011 Yale University, University of Michigan, Purdue University,
Tufts University, Harvard University, Université Paul Sabatier,
UT-Austin, Rice University.
- 2010 Temple University, Pennsylvania State University, University of Maryland,
California Institute of Technology, City University of New York, Brown University.
- 2009 University of Texas at Austin, University of Utah,
Ohio State University, University of Illinois at Chicago,
Université Paul Sabatier, College International of Budapest.
- 2008 University of Chicago, Yale University, Princeton University,
Brown University, University of Michigan.

Conference Talks

- 2024 Talk at the workshop *Volume and Complexity in Non-Positive Curvature* at the Erdős Center, Budapest.
- 2023 Minicourse at *Dynamics, Rigidity and Arithmeticity in Hyperbolic Geometry*, ICERM, May 2023.
- 2023 Minicourse at *Groups around 3-manifolds*, Centre de Recherches Mathématiques, Montréal, June 2023.
- 2022 Cornell Topology Festival, AMS Spring Special Session at Tufts
- 2021 Plenary lecture at the *Nearly Carbon Neutral Geometric Topology* conference.
- 2021 Minicourse on unimodular random manifolds at the conference *Probabilistic methods in negative curvature*, ICTS.
- 2020 Minicourse on hyperbolic 3-manifolds as part of the MSRI semester *Random and Arithmetic Structures in Topology*.

- 2020 Two lectures at Haverford College's PATCH, March 2020.
- 2019 LG&TBQ Conference at the University of Michigan
- 2018 Agira Project: Workshop on IRSs in Sete, France
- 2018 Boston Graduate Student Topology Conference
- 2017 Virginia Topology Conference
- 2017 32nd Summer Conference on Topology and its Applications, Dayton, OH.
- 2016 Southern California Topology Conference
- 2015 Workshop on *Asymptotic Invariants of Groups* at Oxford
- 2015 Workshop on *Geometric Structures on 3-Manifolds* at IAS
- 2014 AMS Sectional on *Low-dimensional Topology and Group Theory* at UMBC
- 2013 *2nd Young Geometric Group Theorist Meeting* in Haifa, Israel
- 2013 AMS Sectional on *Hyperbolicity in manifolds and groups* at Temple University
- 2013 CMS Winter Meeting, Ottawa. Two talks: one in *Random Walks and Geometry* and one in *Geometric Group Theory and Low-Dimensional Topology*
- 2012 *Geometric Group Theory on the Gulf*
- 2012 *Kerckhoff 60th Birthday Conference*
- 2012 GEAR Senior Retreat at UIUC
- 2012 AMS sectional meeting on *Hyperbolic Geometry* at the University of Arizona
- 2012 CMS sectional meeting in Montreal, Québec
- 2011 *Filling invariants and asymptotic geometry* at the University of Indiana
- 2011 FRG Workshop organized by Colding, Minicozzi and Gabai at Princeton University
- 2011 AIM Workshop on *L^2 -invariants and their relatives for finitely generated groups*
- 2011 *Wasatch Topology Conference*
- 2010 *Geometry and Topology of Character Varieties* at National University of Singapore
- 2010 AMS sectional meeting at the University of Albuquerque
- 2010 *Character varieties in the geometry and topology of low dimensional manifolds* at Banff International Research Station
- 2009 *Wasatch Topology Conference*
- 2009 AMS sectional meeting at San Francisco State University
- 2008 *Ahlfors-Bers Colloquium* at Rutgers University, Newark

Conferences Co-organized

- 2023 Research group on *Covers of Surfaces*, August 2023 at Boston College.
- 2022 Workshop *Big Mapping Class Groups at BC*.
- 2019 Workshop on *Groups, Graphs and Measures* at Boston College.
- 2018 Research group on the topology of Gromov-Hausdorff space, Boston College.
- 2018 The 13th William Rowan Hamilton Workshop, Trinity College Dublin.
- 2017 The 13th William Rowan Hamilton Workshop, Trinity College Dublin.
- 2017 Dynamics on Representation Varieties, in Rennes, France.
- 2014 The 10th William Rowan Hamilton Workshop, Trinity College Dublin.
- 2013 Special Session at the Spring 2013 AMS Sectional Meeting at Boston College
- 2013 GEAR Workshop on Higher Teichmuller Theory, Summer 2013

Submitted Papers

- *Subgroups of bounded rank in hyperbolic 3-manifold groups.*
(submitted)
preprint at <https://arxiv.org/abs/2401.01328>.
- *On the Chabauty space of $PSL(2,R)$, I: lattices and grafting.*
with Nir Lazarovich and Arielle Leitner.
(submitted)
preprint at <https://arxiv.org/abs/2110.14401>.
- *Convergence of normalized Betti numbers in nonpositive curvature,*
with Miklos Abert, Nicolas Bergeron and Tsachik Gelander.
Duke Math Journal (2023).
preprint at <https://arxiv.org/abs/1811.02520>
- *Thick hyperbolic 3-manifolds with bounded rank,*
with Juan Souto.
(finals revisions just sent to Memoirs of the AMS, with recommendation on 4/1¹ by the
handling editor to accept, but final decision by the board not made yet)
preprint at <https://arxiv.org/abs/1708.01774>
- *Unimodular measures on the space of all Riemannian manifolds,*
with Miklos Abert.
Geometry and Topology (2022).
preprint at <https://arxiv.org/abs/1606.03360>.
- *Invariant random subgroups of semidirect products,*
with Lewis Bowen and Omer Tamuz.
Ergodic Theory and Dynamical Systems (2018).
preprint at <https://arxiv.org/abs/1703.01282>.

¹not a joke, I think

- *On the growth of L^2 -invariants of locally symmetric spaces, II: exotic invariant random subgroups in rank one,*
with M. Abert, N. Bergeron, T. Gelander, N. Nikolov, J. Raimbault and I. Samet.
IMRN (2018).
preprint at <https://arxiv.org/abs/1612.09510>.
- *Determining the finite subgraphs of the curve graph,*
with Tarik Aougab and Jonah Gaster.
Groups, Geometry and Dynamics (2018).
preprint at <https://arxiv.org/abs/1702.04757>.
- *Packing curves on surfaces with few intersections,*
with Tarik Aougab and Jonah Gaster.
IMRN (2017).
preprint at <https://arxiv.org/abs/1610.06514>.
- *Metrizing the Chabauty topology,*
Geometriae Dedicata (2017).
preprint at <https://arxiv.org/abs/1610.07396>.
- *Nielsen equivalence in mapping tori over the torus,*
Conformal Geometry and Dynamics (2017).
preprint at <https://arxiv.org/abs/1610.07528>.
- *Ends of unimodular random manifolds,*
with Jean Raimbault.
PAMS (2017).
preprint at <http://arxiv.org/abs/1411.0561>.
- *On the growth of L^2 -invariants for sequences of lattices in Lie groups,*
with M. Abert, N. Bergeron, T. Gelander, N. Nikolov, J. Raimbault and I. Samet.
Annals of Mathematics (2017)
preprint at <http://arxiv.org/abs/1210.2961>.
- *Automorphisms of the compression body graph,*
with Nick Vlamis.
JLMS (2017).
preprint at <http://arxiv.org/abs/1508.02993>.
- *Intersection growth in groups,*
with Khalid Bou-Rabee, Martin Kassabov and Francesco Matucci.
TAMS (2016)
preprint at <http://arxiv.org/abs/1309.7993>.
- *Unimodularity of invariant random subgroups,*
with Omer Tamuz.
TAMS (2016).
preprint at <http://arxiv.org/abs/1402.1042>.
- *Ranks of mapping tori via the curve complex,*

- with Juan Souto.
Crelle's Journal (2015).
preprint at <http://arxiv.org/abs/1409.1878>.
- *Extending pseudo-Anosov maps to compression bodies*,
with Jesse Johnson and Yair Minsky.
Journal of Topology (2013).
preprint at <http://arxiv.org/abs/1011.0021>.
 - *On the growth of Betti numbers of locally symmetric spaces*,
with M. Abert, N. Bergeron, T. Gelander, N. Nikolov, J. Raimbault and I. Samet.
Comptes Rendus Mathematique (2011).
preprint at <http://arxiv.org/abs/1104.5559>.
 - *Algebraic and geometric convergence of discrete representations into $\mathrm{PSL}_2 \mathbb{C}$* ,
with Juan Souto.
Geometry and Topology (2010).
preprint at <http://arxiv.org/abs/1010.0459>.
 - *A finiteness theorem for hyperbolic 3-manifolds*,
with Juan Souto.
Journal of the London Mathematical Society (2011).
preprint at <http://arxiv.org/abs/0901.0300>.
 - *The three gap theorem and Riemannian geometry*,
with Benjamin Schmidt.
Geometriae Dedicata (2008).
preprint at <http://arxiv.org/abs/0803.1250>.
 - *Geometry and rank of fibered hyperbolic 3-manifolds*,
Algebr. Geom. Topol. (2009).
preprint at <http://arxiv.org/abs/0803.1253>.
 - *Algebra versus geometry in hyperbolic 3-manifolds*,
Ph.D. Thesis - The University of Chicago (2009).

Teaching experience

- Jul 2012 – present* Assistant/Associate Professor at Boston College
Intro to Abstract Math, Linear Algebra (Honors), Analysis 1, Euclidean and Non-Euclidean geometry, Lie Groups, Differential Geometry, Introduction to Analysis, Differential Topology, Multivariable Calculus, Random Methods in Geometry, Teichmüller theory, Hodge Theory, All about Mapping Tori, Hyperbolic 3-manifolds, Geometric Group Theory
- Aug 2009 – Jun 2012* Gibbs Assistant Professor at Yale University
Honors linear algebra and multivariable calculus, Graduate algebraic topology
- Sep 2006 – June 2009* Instructor at the University of Chicago
IBL honors calculus, Multivariable calculus and linear algebra, IBL geometric group theory
- Sep 2006 – Dec 2008* Mentor, University of Chicago DRP

Directed reading program for undergraduates in mathematics

Summers 2006 – 2008 Mentor, University of Chicago REU

Research experiences for undergraduates in mathematics

June 2008 – Aug 2008 Instructor, CAAP

Chicago Academic Achievement Program – Precalculus

Oct 2005 – June 2006 College Fellow at the University of Chicago

Teaching assistant for IBL honors calculus

Personal information

My birthdate is September 16, 1982. I am a US citizen.