

Curriculum Vitae

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Employment

2012 – present Postdoctoral associate, **Carnegie Mellon University**
2012 Spring Postdoctoral Fellow, **Mathematical Sciences Research Institute (MSRI)**
2009 – 2012 G.C. Evans Instructor of Mathematics, **Rice University**

Education

2004 – 2009 **University of California, Berkeley**, Ph.D. in Mathematics
Advisor: Nicolai Reshetikhin
2001 – 2004 **University of Pittsburgh**
2000 – 2001 **Moscow Institute of Physics and Technology**

Research interests

Random tilings, determinantal point processes and random matrix theory, asymptotic representation theory and asymptotic combinatorics.

Publications and preprints

1. *Plane partitions with 2-periodic weights*. 25 pages. [arXiv:1309.4825](https://arxiv.org/abs/1309.4825) Submitted.
2. *Entropy and the Shannon-McMillan-Breiman theorem for beta random matrix ensembles* (joint with A. Bufetov, M. Shcherbina and A. Soshnikov), **Journal of Statistical Physics**, 152(1):1-14, 2013.
3. *Entropy of Schur-Weyl measures*, to appear in **Annales de l'Institut Henri Poincaré**. 47 pages.
4. *Asymptotics of the maximal and the typical dimensions of isotypic components of tensor representations of the symmetric group*, **European Journal of Combinatorics**, special issue "Groups, graphs, and languages." 33(7):1631-1652, 2012.
5. *Scaling limits of random skew plane partitions with arbitrarily sloped back walls*, **Communications in Mathematical Physics**, 305(3):711-739, 2011.
6. *Random skew plane partitions with a piecewise periodic back wall* (joint with C. Boutillier, N. Reshetikhin and P. Tingley), **Annales Henri Poincaré**, 13(2):271-296, 2012.
7. *Scaling limits of random skew plane partitions*, **Ph.D. Thesis**, University of California, Berkeley, 2009.

Honors and awards

- 2013 – Spring MRC collaboration grant, AMS/NSF
- 2012 Mathematical Sciences Research Institute Postdoctoral Fellowship
- 2009 Outstanding Graduate Student Instructor Award, University of California, Berkeley
- 2001 – 2004 Chancellor's Scholarship, University of Pittsburgh
- 2004 University Scholar, University of Pittsburgh
- 2002 – 2004 Mathematics Department Culver Prize, University of Pittsburgh in 2004, 2003, 2002
- 2002 – 2003 Second Prize (2003) and Honorable Mention (2002), William Lowell Putnam Competition
- 1998 – 2000 Silver and Bronze Medals at the International Mathematical Olympiad in 2000, 1999, 1998

Invited lectures and presentations**Conferences**

- 2013 Feb. *Random Tilings Workshop*, Simons Center, Stony Brook
- 2012 Jun. *Geometry and Representation Theory Related to Geometric Complexity and Other Variants of P v. NP* , AMS MRC program
- 2012 Jan. *Joint Mathematical Meetings of the AMS* (Boston), Special Session on Uniformly and Partially Hyperbolic Dynamical Systems
- 2011 Sep. *Workshop on Representation Theory, Geometry and Combinatorics*, University of California, Berkeley
- 2011 Aug. *The Sixth International Conference on Differential and Functional Differential Equations*, Steklov Mathematical Institute of the Russian Academy of Sciences
- 2011 Jul. *International Conference on Dynamical Systems, Nonlinear Analysis and their Applications*, Institute of Mathematics, National Academy of Sciences of Armenia
- 2011 Apr. *Workshop on Dynamical Systems and Related Topics*, University of Maryland
- 2011 Mar. *Group Actions on Measure Spaces*, Texas A&M University
- 2011 Mar. *Texas Ergodic Theory Workshop*, University of Houston
- 2008 Sep. *Workshop on Random Tilings, Random Partitions and Stochastic Growth Processes*, Centre de recherches mathématiques (Montreal, Canada)

Seminars

- 2014 Feb. *TBD*, University of California, Berkeley
- 2013 Oct. *Probability and Computational Finance Seminar*, Carnegie Mellon University
- 2013 Oct. *Algebra, Geometry and Combinatorics Seminar*, University of Pittsburgh
- 2013 Mar. *Geometry Seminar*, Texas A&M University
- 2013 Jan. *Departmental Colloquium*, University of Pittsburgh
- 2012 Oct. *Probability and Computational Finance Seminar*, Carnegie Mellon University
- 2012 Oct. *Algebra, Geometry and Combinatorics Seminar*, University of Pittsburgh (2 lectures)
- 2012 Sep. *Algorithms, Combinatorics and Optimization Seminar*, Carnegie Mellon University
- 2012 Apr. *FRAGMENT Seminar*, Colorado State University and University of Colorado, Boulder
- 2012 Mar. *Departmental Colloquium*, University of Mississippi
- 2012 Mar. *Probability Seminar*, University of Rochester
- 2012 Feb. *Postdoc seminar*, MSRI
- 2012 Feb. *sRTGC seminar*, University of California, Berkeley
- 2012 Feb. *Mathematical Physics and Probability Seminar*, University of California, Davis
- 2011 Nov. *Geometry-Analysis Seminar*, Rice University
- 2011 Feb. *Geometry-Analysis Seminar*, Rice University
- 2010 Oct. *Groups and Dynamics Seminar*, Texas A&M University
- 2009 Oct. *Laboratoire de Probabilités*, Paris VI
- 2009 Sep. *Geometry-Analysis Seminar*, Rice University

Departmental service

- 2011 Fall Departmental Colloquium Committee (member), Rice University
 2010 Fall Putnam Seminar organizer (joint with Michael Boshernitzan), Rice University
 2009 – 2010 Current Math Seminar organizer (joint with Prudence Heck), Rice University

Supervising activities

- 2010 Summer Designed and organized a new 8-week VIGRE Summer Research Experience for Undergraduates. Rice University. At the beginning of the REU taught the required background material and later provided daily supervision and guidance for the students' research activities.
Topic: Exact Sampling of Skew Young Diagrams
Students: Georgene Jalbuena, Joshua Cory
Results: The results are published online at <http://cnx.org/content/m34949/latest/>.

Teaching experience**Carnegie Mellon University**

- 2013 Fall Algebraic Structures - (Math 21-373)
 2013 Fall Linear Algebra I - (Math 21-341)
 2012 Fall Probability - (Math 21-325)
 2012 Fall Linear Algebra I - (Math 21-341)

Rice University

- 2011 Fall Introduction to Random Matrix Theory - (Math 521) - Graduate topics course offered for the first time at Rice University
 2011 Fall Ordinary Differential Equations and Linear Algebra - (Math 211)
 2011 Spring Calculus 2 - (Math 102)
 2010 Fall Lie Theory - (Math 371) - Offered for the first time at Rice University. Designed and taught the course.
 2010 Fall Ordinary Differential Equations and Linear Algebra - (Math 211)
 2010 Spring Calculus 2 - (Math 102)
 2009 Fall Introduction to Partial Differential Equations - (Math 381)
 2009 Fall Calculus 2 - (Math 102)

University of California, Berkeley

- 2008 Fall Analytical Geometry and Calculus - (Math 16A)
 2008 Summer Linear Algebra and Differential Equations - (Math 54)
 2006 Fall Linear Algebra and Differential Equations - (Math 54)
 2006 Summer Linear Algebra and Differential Equations - (Math 54)
 2005 Fall Calculus 2 - (Math 1B)
 2005 Spring Linear Algebra and Differential Equations - (Math 54)
 2004 Fall Calculus 2 - (Math 1B)

Outreach

- 2013 Jul. Summer Undergraduate Applied Mathematics Institute REU, Carnegie Mellon University
- 2012 Nov. Math Club, Carnegie Mellon University
- 2012 Oct. Undergraduate Colloquium, Carnegie Mellon University
- 2012 Apr. Undergraduate Colloquium, University of Northern Colorado
- 2012 Jan. A lecture at the Marin Math Circle
- 2011 Jul. A mini-course (with Alexander Bufetov) at a summer school organized by the Russian Academy of Sciences
Topic: Orthogonal Polynomials

Computing

Computer Languages: Mathematica, Java, C/C++, Assembler, HTML
Familiarity with Linux

Languages

Fluent in English, Russian and Armenian, basic knowledge in German