

# CURRICULUM VITAE

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## PERSONAL AND CONTACT INFORMATION

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**Research** My research interests lie in the interactions between descriptive set theory, dynamics of large topological groups, operator theory, and algebraic topology.

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## ACADEMIC POSITIONS

**2020 Sep - Present** **Postdoctoral Research Fellow**,  
Cluster of Excellence: Dynamics–Geometry–Structure,  
*Institute for Mathematical Logic and Foundational Research*  
University of Münster, Germany.  
**2017 Sep-2020 Jun** **Harry Bateman Research Instructor**,  
Department of Mathematics,  
*California Institute of Technology*, USA.

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## EDUCATION

**2017 Aug** **PhD in Mathematics**,  
*University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign*, USA  
**Thesis:** Structures and Dynamics; Supervisor: S. Solecki  
**2012 Aug** **Diploma in Applied Mathematics and Physics**,  
*National Technical University of Athens*, Greece

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## SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS

**2014 Aug-2015 May** Focal Point Breakthrough Grant, graduate college at UIUC  
*Transnational Solidarity Initiative* research group  
**2014 Spring** Research scholarship, University of Illinois Research Board  
**2013 Spring** Research scholarship, University of Illinois Research Board  
**2012 Aug** Graduation merit award for academic excellence  
School of Applied Mathematics and Physics, NTUA

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## PAST EMPLOYMENT

**2010 Sep - 2012 Jun** Curriculum Design & Instructor  
*Art & Mathematics*, Herakleidon Museum, Athens, Greece

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## MATH WRITING

### Publications and Preprints

*Universality vs Genericity and  $C_4$ -free graphs.* [Arxiv]

**Submitted**, (2021), joint with K. Tent.

*The automorphism group of the random poset does not admit a generic pair.* [Arxiv]

**Submitted**, (2020), joint with A. Kwiatkowska.

*The definable content of homological invariants I: Ext &  $\lim^1$*  [Arxiv]

Preprint, (2020), joint with J. Bergfalk and M. Lupini.

*Dynamical obstructions for classification by (co)homology and other TSI-group invariants.* [Arxiv]

**Transactions of the American Mathematical Society** (to appear), joint with S. Allison.

*The generic combinatorial simplex.* [Arxiv]

A. Panagiotopoulos, S. Solecki,

**Submitted**, (2020).

*Definable (co)homology, pro-torus rigidity, and (co)homological classification.* [Arxiv]

Preprint, (2019), joint with J. Bergfalk and M. Lupini

*On Polish groups admitting non-essentially countable actions.* [Arxiv]

**Ergodic Theory and Dynamical Systems**, doi:10.1017/etds.2020.133, (2020), 1-15,

joint with A.S. Kechris, M. Malicki, and J. Zielinski,

*Examples of weak amalgamation classes.* [Arxiv]

**Submitted** (2019), joint with A. Krawczyk, A. Kruckman, and W. Kubiś.

*A combinatorial model for the Menger curve.* [Arxiv]

**Journal of Topology and Analysis**, doi:10.1142/S1793525320500478, (2020) 1-27,

joint with S. Solecki.

*Higher dimensional obstructions for star reductions.* [Arxiv]

**Fundamenta Mathematicae**, (2021), to appear, joint with A. Kruckman.

*Games orbits play and obstructions to Borel reducibility.* [Arxiv]

**Groups, Geometry, and Dynamics**, 12(4), (2018), 1461-1483,

joint work with M. Lupini.

*Compact spaces as quotients of projective Fraïssé limits.* [Arxiv]

Preprint, (2016).

*Extendability of automorphisms of generic substructures.* [Arxiv]

**Israel Journal of Mathematics**, 208, (2015), 483-508.

## Work in preparation

*Symmetric models and levels of unpinnedness.* A. Panagiotopoulos, A. Shani

*Modular Ramsey spaces and hyperfiniteness.* A. Panagiotopoulos, A.Y. Wang

*A note on ultrahomogeneity.* A. Kaïchouh, I. Müller, A. Panagiotopoulos

## Course notes

*Computability III: advanced topics in computability.*

A. Panagiotopoulos, quarter-long course notes [[pdf](#)]

*Computability II: Gödel's incompleteness theorems.*

A. Panagiotopoulos, quarter-long course notes [[pdf](#)]

*A graduate course in groups and dynamics.*

A. Panagiotopoulos, quarter-long graduate course notes [[pdf](#)]

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## INVITED TALKS, COLLOQUIA, AND SEMINARS

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| <b>2021 Feb 16</b> | Set Theory Reading Group Seminar, Carnegie Mellon University, USA<br><b>Title:</b> <i>Ulam stability for of abelian non-archimedean Polish groups</i> |
| <b>2021 Feb 16</b> | Logic Seminar, Carnegie Mellon University, USA<br><b>Title:</b> <i>The definable content of Čech cohomology</i>                                       |
| <b>2020 Dec 6</b>  | CMS Winter Meeting 2020, Montreal, Canada<br><b>Title:</b> <i>Dynamical obstructions to classification by (co)homology</i>                            |
| <b>2020 Nov 10</b> | Logic seminar, University of Florida, USA<br><b>Title:</b> <i>Dynamical obstructions to classification by (co)homology</i>                            |
| <b>2020 Oct 15</b> | Logic seminar, University of Münster, Germany<br><b>Title:</b> <i>Dynamical obstructions to classification</i>  |
| <b>2020 Sep 14</b> | Topologia seminar, Uniwersytet Wrocławski, Poland<br><b>Title:</b> <i>Dynamical obstructions to classification by (co)homology</i>                    |
| <b>2020 Mar 01</b> | South Eastern Logic Symposium 2020, Gainesville, Florida, USA<br><b>Title:</b> <i>Definable (co)homology and classification of solenoids</i>          |
| <b>2020 Jan 24</b> | Logic Colloquium, University of California at Los Angeles, USA<br><b>Title:</b> <i>Definable (co)homology and classification of solenoids</i>         |
| <b>2019 May 03</b> | Logic Colloquium, University of California at Los Angeles, USA<br><b>Title:</b> <i>Bernoulli shifts for Polish groups and a question of Kechris</i>   |
| <b>2019 Nov 17</b> | Plenary speaker at Caltech Harvey Mudd 2019 Math Competition<br><b>Title:</b> <i>The mathematics of impossible</i>                                    |
| <b>2019 Nov 09</b> | Advances in Functional Analysis, AMS Fall West. Sec. Meeting, USA<br><b>Title:</b> <i>Unitary equivalence is hard</i>                                 |
| <b>2019 Nov 09</b> | Fractal Geometry & Dynamical Systems, AMS Fall West. Sec. Meeting<br><b>Title:</b> <i>A combinatorial model for the Menger curve</i>                  |
| <b>2019 May 24</b> | UCLA-Caltech Cabal Seminar, University of California at Los Angeles   |

- Title:** *Higher dimensional obstructions for star reductions*
- 2019 May 21** Set theory, ASL North American Annual Meeting, New York, USA  
**Title:** *Higher dimensional obstructions for star reductions*
- 2019 May 03** Logic Colloquium, University of California at Los Angeles, USA  
**Title:** *Bernoulli shifts for Polish groups and a question of Kechris*
- 2019 March 21** Combinatorics Seminar, Univ. of Victoria at Wellington, New Zealand  
**Title:** *The Fraïssé construction*
- 2019 March 19** Logic Colloquium, University of Victoria at Wellington, New Zealand  
**Title:** *Dynamics as obstruction to classification*
- 2018 Dec 07** Logic Seminar, Carnegie Mellon University, USA  
**Title:** *Higher dimensional obstructions for star reductions*
- 2018 Dec 05** Mathematics Logic Seminar, Cornell University, USA  
**Title:** *Higher dimensional obstructions for star reductions*
- 2018 Oct 27** Advances in Operator Theory, Operator Algebras, and Operator Semigroups, AMS Fall Western Sectional Meeting, San Francisco, USA  
**Title:** *Unitary equivalence is hard*
- 2018 May 17** Set theory, ASL North American Annual Meeting, Macomb, USA  
**Title:** *Higher dimensional obstructions for star reductions*
- 2018 Jan 13** Joint Mathematics Meetings, San Diego, USA  
**Title:** *Games orbits play*
- 2017 Nov 13** Logic & Set Theory Seminar, University of California at Irvine  
**Title:** *Games orbits play*
- 2017 Oct 20** Logic Colloquium, University of California at Los Angeles  
**Title:** *Games orbits play*
- 2017 June 14** 6th Cornell Conference on Analysis, Probability, and Mathematical Physics on Fractals, Cornell University, USA  
**Title:** *A projective Fraïssé presentation of the Menger curve*
- 2016 Dec 09** Ramsey 2016 DocCourse, Prague, Czech Republic  
**Title:** *The  $n$ -simplex as a projective Fraïssé limit*
- 2016 May 19** Logic Seminar, California Institute of Technology, USA  
**Title:** *Extendability of automorphisms of generic substructures*
- 2016 April 09** AMS Spring Western Sectional Meeting, Salt Lake City, Utah  
**Title:** *Menger compacta and projective Fraïssé limits*
- 2016 March 24** Mathematics Colloquium, National Technical Univ. of Athens, Greece  
**Title:** *Fraïssé limits and extreme amenability*
- 2016 March 05** Descriptive Set Theory Day, University of Illinois at Chicago, USA  
**Title:** *Extendability of automorphisms of generic substructures*
- 2016 March 02** Graduate Colloquium, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign  
**Title:** *Menger compacta: where logic meets homotopy*
- 2016 Feb 16** Logic Seminar, University of Illinois at Chicago, USA  
**Title:** *Menger compacta and projective Fraïssé limits*
- 2015 Dec 07** CMS Winter Meeting, Montreal, Canada  
**Title:** *Menger compacta and projective Fraïssé limits*
- 2015 July 03** When Topological Dynamics meets Model Theory, Marseilles, France  
**Title:** *Compact spaces as projective Fraïssé limits*

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## SCIENTIFIC VISITS

<b>March 2019</b> (2 weeks)	Visiting <i>Victoria University of Wellington</i> . <i>Host: M. Lupini.</i>
<b>2018 December</b> (1 week)	Visiting <i>Carnegie Mellon University</i> . <i>Host: J. Zielinski &amp; Clinton Conley.</i>
<b>2018 December</b> (1 week)	Visiting <i>Cornell University</i> . <i>Host: S. Solecki.</i>
<b>2016 May</b> (2 weeks)	Visiting California Institute of Technology. <i>Host: M. Lupini.</i>

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## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

### California Institute of Technology.

<b>2020 Spring</b>	Descriptive set theory (Math 116c)
<b>2020 Winter</b>	Axiomatic set theory (Math 116b)
<b>2019 Fall</b>	Mathematical Logic (Math 116a)
<b>2019 Spring</b>	Computability III: advanced topics (Math 117c). <i>Ranked by students: 4.86/5.00</i>
<b>2019 Winter</b>	Computability II: Gödel's incompleteness theorems (Math 117b) <i>Ranked by students: 4.91/5.00</i>
<b>2018 Fall</b>	Groups and dynamics: a topics course (Math 191a) <i>Ranked by students: 5.00/5.00</i>
<b>2018 Spring</b>	Descriptive set theory (Math 116c) <i>Ranked by students: 4.91/5.00</i>
<b>2018 Winter</b>	Axiomatic set theory (Math 116b) <i>Ranked by students: 4.65/5.00</i>
<b>2017 Fall</b>	Mathematical Logic (Math 116a) <i>Ranked by students: 4.45/5.00</i>

### University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

<b>2017 Spring</b>	Instructor for the course <b>Ideas in Geometry</b> (Math 119). <i>On the list of teachers ranked as excellent by their students.</i>
<b>2016 Spring</b>	Instructor for a <b>Calculus II</b> class (Math 231). <i>On the list of teachers ranked as excellent by their students.</i>
<b>2015 Fall</b>	Teaching assistant for a <b>Calculus II (merit)</b> class (Math 231). <i>On the list of teachers ranked as excellent by their students.</i>
<b>2014 Fall</b>	Teaching assistant for a <b>Calculus I (merit)</b> class (Math 221). <i>On the list of teachers ranked as excellent by their students.</i>
<b>2013 Fall</b>	Teaching assistant for a <b>Calculus II (merit)</b> class (Math 231).

*On the list of teachers ranked as excellent by their students.*

**2012 Fall** Teaching assistant for two **Calculus II (merit)** classes (Math 231).

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## MENTORING

**2019 Summer** *Allison Y. Wang*, undergraduate student,  
Department of Mathematics, California Institute of Technology.  
**Research project:** Infinite Ramsey theory and hyperfiniteness.

**2019 Spring &  
2019 Winter** *Allison Y. Wang*, undergraduate student,  
Department of Mathematics, California Institute of Technology.  
**Reading course:** Borel determinacy and applications.

**2018 Summer** *Luke Juusola*, undergraduate student,  
Department of Mathematics, California Institute of Technology.  
**Research project:** Projective Fraïssé theory and planar graphs.

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## SERVICE

### Community work

**2016 Fall** Organized a Diversity Workshop for Teaching Assistants,  
Department of Mathematics, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

**2013 Spring** Volunteer tutor at Danville correctional center, IL, USA  
Education Justice Project [EJP].

### Seminar organizing

**2018 Aug - 2020 Dec** *Postdoc Math Seminar*, California Institute of Technology.

**2019 Spring** *Homotopy Type Theory Learning Seminar* [HoTTTS],  
California Institute of Technology.

### Outreach

**2018 Nov 20** *The “limits” of Mathematics*, Seminars for Freshmen,  
California Institute of Technology.

**2017 Nov 28** *Impossible constructions*, Seminars for Freshmen,  
California Institute of Technology.

**2016 Mar 14** *Fractal Geometries and Codes*,  $\pi$ -day workshops, Department of  
Mathematics open house, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

**2010 Sep - 2012 Jun** I offered approximately 150 mini workshops for  
high-school and junior high-school students on *Art & Mathematics* at the  
Herakleidon museum in Athens, Greece, on various topics: *Paradoxes and  
Illusions; Non-Euclidean geometries and Escher; Explorations of infinity  
in art and mathematics; Projective geometry and art in Renaissance;  
Music, harmony, and mathematics.*

### Committees

**2019 Jan - Present** Caltech Postdoctoral Association representative for mathematics  
California Institute of Technology.

**2016 Aug - 2017 May** Graduate Affairs Committee, Department of Mathematics,  
University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

**Refereeing**

- Fundamenta Mathematicae
- Mathematical Logic Quarterly
- Journal of Mathematical Logic