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PERSONAL DATA	Full Name: Afonso José Sousa Bandeira Citizenship: Portugal	
PRESENT OCCUPATION	Courant Institute of Mathematical Sciences, New York University <i>July 2016 to Present</i> <b>Assistant Professor, Department of Mathematics and Center for Data Science</b>	
PAST OCCUPATIONS	Massachusetts Institute of Technology <b>Instructor of Applied Mathematics</b>	<i>July 2015 to June 2016</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• With half-time postdoctoral position sponsored by Philippe Rigollet</li><li>• Affiliated Member of the MIT Institute For Data, Systems, And Society (IDSS)</li></ul>
EDUCATION	Ph.D. awarded by Princeton University, NJ, USA	<i>September 2010 to June 2015</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Ph.D. in Applied and Computational Mathematics</li><li>• Advised by Amit Singer</li><li>• Thesis: Convex Relaxations for Certain Inverse Problems on Graphs</li><li>• Research Assistantship (2011 – 2015)</li><li>• Also awarded M.A. in 2012.</li></ul>
	M.S. in Mathematics awarded by University of Coimbra	<i>September 2009 to July 2010</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• GPA: 19.3/20</li><li>• Thesis: Computation of Sparse Low Degree Interpolating Polynomials and their Application to DF Optimization. Was awarded the grade 20/20. Advised by Luis Nunes Vicente.</li></ul>
	B.S. in Mathematics awarded by University of Coimbra	<i>September 2006 to July 2009</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• GPA: 19.1/20</li></ul>
GRANTS, AWARDS, AND OTHER HONORS	Sloan Research Fellowship 2018  Amelia Perry and Alexander Wein awarded 2018 Jonhson prize (MIT) for publication “Optimality and Sub-optimality of PCA I: Spiked Random Matrix Models”  NSF DMS Award 2017-2020: Collaborative Research: Statistical estimation with algebraic structure  NSF DMS Award 2017-2020: Collaborative Research: Tractable non-convex optimization  The publication “A Certifiably Correct Algorithm for Synchronization over the Special Euclidean Group” received the best paper award at the 12th International Workshop on the Algorithmics Foundations of Robotics, 2016.  Selected as a 2015 DARPA Riser.	

US Junior Oberwolfach Fellow, April 2014 and August 2015.

Awarded the INFORMS Optimization Society student paper prize for the paper "Computation of sparse low degree interpolating polynomials and their application to derivative-free optimization", 2013.

The publication "The road to deterministic matrices with the restricted isometry property" received a best student paper award at the 36th Annual SIAM Southeastern Atlantic Section Conference, 2012.

Awarded two *Young Talents in Mathematics* fellowships: 2006/2007 and 2007/2008 by *Calouste Gulbenkian Foundation*.

Awarded an *Initiation to Research Fellowship* by *Portuguese Found. for Science and Tech.* for 2008/2009.

University of Coimbra

- Joao Farinha Prize for the student completing B. S. in Math. with the highest GPA, 2009
- Renato Pereira Coelho Prize for the student completing M. S. in Math. with the highest GPA, 2010
- Merit awards for student with the best GPA: on 2008 and 2009
- Prize for the 3% best students, 2007

Mathematical Olympiads

- Ibero-American Math Olympiads for Undergraduates, Silver Medal, 2008
- International Mathematical Olympiads, Bronze Medal, 2006
- Ibero-American Math Olympiads, Bronze Medal, 2006
- Portuguese Math Olympiads, Gold Medal, 2005 and 2006
- Sao Paulo Math Olympiads (Portugal and Brazil), Bronze Medal (2004) and Gold Medal (2005)
- Mayo Math Olympiads (Ibero-American), Bronze Medal, 2004

Tribute by the S. P. Sul Mayor for achievements on Math Olympiads, 2006

*Bento de Jesus Caraca* national prize in Mathematics for project developed while in high school, 2006

4<sup>th</sup> place nationally at the National Astronomy Olympiads, 2005.

TEACHING AND  
ADVISING  
EXPERIENCE

*Classes taught* at New York University

*Fall 2016 - Present*

- Fall 2018: Optimization and Computational Linear Algebra for Data Science (MS in Data Science)
- Fall 2018: Math and Data Working Group: Statistical to Computational Gaps and Statistical Estimation with Algebraic Structure (PhD level)
- Spring 2018: Special Topics in Data Science: Mathematics of Data Science: Graphs and Networks
- Fall 2016: Topics in Mathematics of Data Science (PhD class)
- Fall 2016: Optimization and Computational Linear Algebra for Data Science (MS in Data Science)

*Students advised* at New York University:

*Fall 2016 - Present*

- Dmitriy Kunisky (PhD student, current)
- Luca Venturi (PhD student, current)
- Anya Katsevich (PhD student, current)
- Ruitu Xu (Masters Student, current)

- Vladimir Kobzar (Masters student, 2016-2017)

*Postdoctoral mentorship* at New York University: *Fall 2016 - Present*

- Alexander S. Wein (Fall 2018 - current)
- Shuyang Ling (Fall 2017 - current)
- Soledad Villar (Fall 2017 - current)

*Classes taught* at Massachusetts Institute of Technology: *Fall 2015*

- Topics in Mathematics of Data Science (Undergraduate special topics class)

*Students advised* at Massachusetts Institute of Technology: *Spring 2016*

- Gergely Odor (Undergraduate Research Opportunities Program (UROP))

*Students advised* in Princeton (joint with Amit Singer): *Fall 2012 to Spring 2015*

- Leor Klainerman (Summer Independent Research, Princeton University 2013 and Undergraduate Senior Thesis, Princeton University 2013-2014)
- Alexander Iriza (Summer Independent Research, Princeton University 2013)
- Andy Zhu (Undergraduate Senior Thesis, Princeton University 2012-2013)
- Christopher Kennedy (Undergraduate Senior Thesis, Princeton University 2012-2013)

*Guest Lecturer* at Princeton University *Spring 2015*

- Mathematical Analysis of Massive Data Sets (Graduate Course)

*Assistant in Instruction* at Princeton University *Spring 2013*

- Mathematical Analysis of Massive Data Sets (Graduate Course)

*Assistant in Instruction* at Princeton University *Spring 2013 to Spring 2015*

- Program in Applied and Computational Mathematics Certificate Program

*Teaching Assistant* at U. Coimbra *September 2009 to September 2010*

- Multidimensional Integral Calculus and Differential Equations
- Computational Statistics

## OUTREACH

*Monitor* at Projecto Delfos *September 2006 to July 2010*

- Preparing the Portuguese team for the International Math Olympiads

*Summer schools and short courses*

- Instructor of special introductory course on “Randomness, Matrices and High Dimensional Problems” in IMPA, Brazil. November 2014. (joint with Roberto I. Oliveira)
- Teaching Assistant at Escola Diagonal 2009 on a course on Combinatorics and Ergodic Theory by Vitaly Bergelson, in Porto, Portugal. September 2009.

*Educational outreach for primary and secondary school students*

- Organizer of “Science outdoors” outreach activity with high school students from Sao Pedro do Sul, Portugal, June 2015.
- “Delfos Oráculo” lecturer – lectures for high school students, as part of the Portuguese International Mathematical Olympiad training, Coimbra, Portugal, May 2015.

ORGANIZED  
CONFERENCES,  
WORKSHOPS,  
SESSIONS,  
PROGRAM  
COMMITTEES,  
AND EDITORIAL  
ROLES  
OTHER  
EXPERIENCES  
AND SERVICE

Organizer of Workshop on Multi-reference Alignment at the Simons Collaboration on Algorithms & Geometry, Simons Foundation, New York, 11/2017

Program Committee member of 31st Annual Conference on Learning Theory (COLT 2018), Stockholm, Sweden, 07/2018.

Sampling Theory and Applications, 12th International Conference, Tallinn, Estonia 07/2017. (organized invited session)

Head of the Math and Data Track for the Masters in Data Science at the CDS, NYU.

Member of the International Scientific Advisory Committee for the Centre de Recherches Mathématiques (CRM), Montreal, Canada.

Organizer of Math and Data Working and Reading Group at NYU (Spring 2017 - Present)

Participant on the theme semester “Bridging Continuous and Discrete Optimization” at the Simons Institute for the theory of computing at Berkeley, CA. Fall 2017.

Organizer of CDS Lecture series.

Panel member in grant reviewing process and reviewer of grant proposals for multiple grant-giving organizations.

Organizer of the “Math and Data”, “Math, Information, and Computation”, and “CDS Lectures” at the Center for Data Science, NYU.

Co-Founder and Core Member of the Math and Data Group at the Center for Data Science, NYU.

Member of the PhD admissions committee at the Center for Data Science, NYU.

Maintains the research blog: “Relax and Conquer” at <http://afonsobandeira.wordpress.com/>

Oberwolfach Reporter, April 2014.

Advised undergraduate PACM certificate students on their final presentations (2012-2015).

Refereed for SIAM Journal on Optimization, Proc. of the National Academy of Sciences, Mathematical Programming, IEEE Transactions on Information Theory, IEEE Signal Processing Letters, Applied and Computational Harmonic Analysis, Annals of Statistics, Bernoulli Journal, Foundations of Computational Mathematics, etc.

Reviewer for Mathematical Reviews/MathSciNet.

Organizer of the IDeAS seminar (Princeton, 2012–2015) and the PACM Graduate Student Seminar (Princeton, 2011–2012).

Participant of the 69<sup>th</sup>, 70<sup>th</sup> and 73<sup>rd</sup> *European Study Group with Industry*, 2009 and 2010

Problem solver of several problems proposed by the *American Mathematical Monthly*. Solution published, in the June/July 2010 magazine, for problem 11374.

Member of the Scientific Committee of the Portuguese Math Olympiads (2008–2010)

Student representative, selected by election, for the administration organ of the Math. Dept. of the U. Coimbra (2006–2009)

Member of the Portuguese team for the International Programming competition, SWERC: *Southwest European Regional Contest* 2007.

LANGUAGE SKILLS Portuguese (Native Language), English (Fluent), Spanish (Reading, Listening and Talking), French (Reading).

JOURNAL PUBLICATIONS Deterministic guarantees for Burer-Monteiro factorizations of smooth semidefinite programs (N. Boumal, V. Voroninski, and A. S. Bandeira). *Communications on Pure and Applied Mathematics*, to appear.

Notes on computational-to-statistical gaps: predictions using statistical physics (A. S. Bandeira, A. Perry, A. S. Wein). *Portugaliae Mathematica*, to appear.

SE-Synch: A Certifiably Correct Algorithm for Synchronization over the Special Euclidean Group (D. M. Rosen, L. Carlone, A. S. Bandeira, J. J. Leonard). *International Journal of Robotics Research*, to appear.

Optimality and Sub-optimality of PCA I: Spiked Random Matrix Models (A. Perry, A. S. Wein, A. S. Bandeira, A. Moitra). *Annals of Statistics*, to appear.

Resilience for the Littlewood-Offord Problem (A. S. Bandeira, A. Ferber, M. Kwan). *Advances in Mathematics*, volume 319, pp. 292-312, 2017.

Message-passing algorithms for synchronization problems over compact groups. (A. Perry, A. S. Wein, A. S. Bandeira, A. Moitra). *Communications on Pure and Applied Mathematics*, to appear.

Marcenko-Pastur Law for Kendall's Tau. (A. S. Bandeira, A. Lodhia, P. Rigollet). *Electronic Communications in Probability*, Vol. 22, paper no. 32, 1-7.

Discrete uncertainty principles and sparse signal processing. (A. S. Bandeira, M. E. Lewis, and D. G. Mixon). *Journal of Fourier Analysis and Applications*, to appear.

Random Laplacian matrices and convex relaxations. (A. S. Bandeira). *Foundations of Computational Mathematics*, to appear.

Tightness of the maximum likelihood semidefinite relaxation for angular synchronization. (A. S. Bandeira, N. Boumal, and A. Singer). *Mathematical Programming*, volume 163, issue 1-2, pp. 145-167, 2017.

Approximating the little Grothendieck problem over the orthogonal and unitary Groups. (A. S. Bandeira, C. Kennedy, and A. Singer). *Mathematical Programming*, volume 160, issue 1-2, pp. 433-475, 2016.

Linear Boolean classification, coding and "the critical problem". (E. Abbe, N. Alon, and A. S. Bandeira, C. Sandon). *IEEE Transactions on Information Theory*, volume 62, issue 4, pp. 1667-1673, 2016.

A note on Probably Certifiably Correct algorithms. (A. S. Bandeira). *Comptes Rendus Mathematique*, volume 354, issue 3, pp. 329-333, 2016.

A conditional construction of restricted isometries. (A. S. Bandeira, D. G. Mixon, and J. Moreira). *International Mathematics Research Notices*, volume 2017, issue 2, pp. 372-381, 2017.

Derandomizing restricted isometries via the Legendre symbol. (A. S. Bandeira, M. Fickus, D. G. Mixon, and J. Moreira). *Constructive Approximation*, volume 43, issue 3, pp 409-424, 2016.

Sharp nonasymptotic bounds on the norm of random matrices with independent entries. (A. S. Bandeira and R. v. Handel). *Annals of Probability*, volume 44, number 4, 2479-2506, 2016.

Exact Recovery in the Stochastic Block Model. (E. Abbe, A. S. Bandeira, G. Hall). *IEEE Transactions on Information Theory*, vol.62, no.1, pp.471-487, Jan. 2016.

Decoding binary node labels from censored edge measurements: Phase transition and efficient recovery. (E. Abbe, A. S. Bandeira, A. Bracher, and A. Singer). *IEEE Transactions on Network Science and Engineering*, vol.1, no.1, pp.10-22, 2014.

Convergence of trust-region methods based on probabilistic models. (A. S. Bandeira, K. Scheinberg, and L. N. Vicente). *SIAM J. Optim.*, 24(3), 1238–1264, 2014.

Phase retrieval from power spectra of masked signals. (A. S. Bandeira, Y. Chen, D. G. Mixon). *Information and Inference: a Journal of the IMA*, vol. 3, pp. 83-102, 2014.

Saving phase: Injectivity and stability for phase retrieval. (A. S. Bandeira, J. Cahill, D. G. Mixon, A. A. Nelson). *Applied and Computational Harmonic Analysis (ACHA)*, vol. 37, pp. 106-125, 2014.

A Cheeger’s inequality for the graph connection Laplacian. (A. S. Bandeira, A. Singer, and D. A. Spielman). *SIAM Journal on Matrix Analysis and Applications (SIMAX)*, vol. 34, pp. 1611-1630, 2013.

Phase retrieval with polarization. (B. Alexeev, A. S. Bandeira, M. Fickus, D. G. Mixon). *SIAM Journal on Imaging Sciences (SIIMS)*, vol. 7, pp. 35-66, 2013.

Certifying the restricted isometry property is hard. (A. S. Bandeira, E. Dobrian, D. G. Mixon, W. Sawin). *IEEE Transactions on Information Theory*, vol. 59, pp. 3448-3450, 2013.

The road to deterministic matrices with the restricted isometry property. (A. S. Bandeira, M. Fickus, D. G. Mixon, P. Wong). *Journal of Fourier Analysis and Applications*, vol. 19, pp. 1123-1149, 2013.

Computation of sparse low degree interpolating polynomials and their application to derivative-free optimization. (A. S. Bandeira, K. Scheinberg, and L. N. Vicente). *Mathematical Programming*, vol. 134, pp. 223-257, 2012.

Landau’s necessary density conditions for the Hankel transform. (L. D. Abreu and A. S. Bandeira). *Journal of Functional Analysis* 262, 1845-1866, 2012.

CONFERENCE  
PUBLICATIONS

A Revised note on Learning Algorithms for Quadratic Assignment with Graph Neural Networks. (A. Nowak, S. Villar, A. S. Bandeira, J. Bruna). *IEEE DSW2018, Data Science Workshop*, 2018.

A Note on Learning Algorithms for Quadratic Assignment with Graph Neural Networks. (A. Nowak, S. Villar, A. S. Bandeira, J. Bruna). *ICML 2017 Workshop on Principled Approaches to Deep Learning (PADL)*, 2017.

Community Detection in Hypergraphs, Spiked Tensor Models, and Sum-of-Squares. (C. Kim, A. S. Bandeira, M. X. Goemans). *12th International Conference on Sampling Theory and Applications (SampTA)*, 2017.

Multisection in the stochastic block model using semidefinite programming. (N. Agarwal, A. S. Bandeira, K. Koiliaris, A. Kolla). *Compressed Sensing and its Applications: MATHEON Workshop 2015 (Applied and Numerical Harmonic Analysis)*, to appear.

Compressive classification and the rare eclipse problem. (A. S. Bandeira, D. G. Mixon, and B. Recht). *Compressed Sensing and its Applications: MATHEON Workshop 2015 (Applied and Numerical Harmonic Analysis)*, to appear.

A Certifiably Correct Algorithm for Synchronization over the Special Euclidean Group (D. M. Rosen, L. Carlone, A. S. Bandeira, J. J. Leonard). 12th International Workshop on the Algorithmics Foundations of Robotics (WAFR 2016).

The non-convex Burer-Monteiro approach works on smooth semidefinite programs. (N. Boumal, V Voroninski, and A. S. Bandeira). Thirtieth Annual Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems (NIPS 2016).

On the low-rank approach for semidefinite programs arising in synchronization and community detection. (A. S. Bandeira, N. Boumal, and V Voroninski). Conference on Learning Theory (COLT 2016).

Relax, no need to round: integrality of clustering formulations. (P. Awasthi, A. S. Bandeira, M. Charikar, R. Krishnaswamy, S. Villar, and R. Ward). 6th Innovations in Theoretical Computer Science (ITCS 2015).

Open problem: Tightness of maximum likelihood semidefinite relaxations. (A. S. Bandeira, Y. Khoo, and A. Singer). COLT Open Problem, JMLR W&CP 35 : 1265–1267, 2014.

Linear inverse problems on Erdős-Rényi graphs: Information-theoretic limits and efficient recovery. (E. Abbe, A. S. Bandeira, A. Bracher, and A. Singer). IEEE International Symposium on Information Theory (ISIT 2014).

Linear Boolean classification, coding and “the critical problem”. (E. Abbe, N. Alon, and A. S. Bandeira). IEEE International Symposium on Information Theory (ISIT 2014).

Multireference alignment using semidefinite programming. (A. S. Bandeira, M. Charikar, A. Singer, and A. Zhu). 5th Innovations in Theoretical Computer Science (ITCS 2014), 2014.

Near-optimal phase retrieval of sparse vectors. (A. S. Bandeira and D. G. Mixon). Wavelets and Sparsity XV, Proceedings of SPIE Optics+Photonics, 2013.

Fundamental limits of phase retrieval. (A. S. Bandeira, J. Cahill, D. G. Mixon, A. A. Nelson). 10th International Conference on Sampling Theory and Applications (SampTA), 2013.

IN PRESS

A Gramian Description of the Degree 4 Generalized Elliptope. (A. S. Bandeira, D. Kunisky). Submitted for publication.

On the Landscape of Synchronization Networks: A Perspective from Nonconvex Optimization. (S. Ling, R. Xu, A. S. Bandeira). Submitted for publication.

Stochastic Block Model for Hypergraphs: Statistical limits and a semidefinite programming approach. (C. Kim, A. S. Bandeira, M. X. Goemans). Preprint, available online.

Spurious Valleys in Two-layer Neural Network Optimization Landscapes. (L. Venturi, A. S. Bandeira, J. Bruna). Submitted for publication.

Estimation under group actions: recovering orbits from invariants. (A. S. Bandeira, B. Blum-Smith, J. Kileel, A. Perry, J. Weed, A. S. Wein) Submitted for publication.

The sample complexity of multi-reference alignment. (A. Perry, J. Weed, A. Bandeira, P. Rigollet, A. Singer). Submitted for publication.

Optimal rates of estimation for multi-reference alignment. (A. S. Bandeira, P. Rigollet, J. Weed). Submitted for publication.

Statistical limits of spiked tensor models. (A. Perry, A. Wein, A. S. Bandeira). Submitted for publication.

A polynomial-time relaxation of the Gromov-Hausdorff distance. (S. Villar, A. S. Bandeira, A. J. Blumberg, R. Ward). Submitted for publication.

Optimality and Sub-optimality of PCA for Spiked Random Matrices and Synchronization (A. Perry, A. S. Wein, A. S. Bandeira, A. Moitra). Preprint, available online.

Non-unique games over compact groups and orientation estimation in cryo-EM. (A. S. Bandeira, Y. Chen, and A. Singer). Preprint, available online.

OTHER  
PUBLICATIONS

Neural Networks with Finite Intrinsic Dimension have no Spurious Valleys. (L. Venturi, A. S. Bandeira, J. Bruna). Preprint.

Inference on Graphs via Semidefinite Programming. (A. S. Bandeira). Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences (PNAS) Commentary, 2016.

Ten Lectures and Forty-Two Open Problems in the Mathematics of Data Science. (Afonso S. Bandeira). Lecture Notes, MIT, 2015.

Efficient Algorithm for Exact Recovery of Vertex Variables from Edge Measurements. (Afonso S. Bandeira). Spotlight on Transactions, IEEE Computer, 2015.

Non-unique games over compact groups (Extended Abstract). (Afonso S. Bandeira). Oberwolfach Report (38/2015), 2015.

Estimating group transformations via convex relaxation. (Afonso S. Bandeira). Oberwolfach Report (18/2014), Volume 11, Issue 2, 2014.

Sparse recovery in derivative-free optimization. (A. S. Bandeira). INFORMS OS Today, The Newsletter of the INFORMS Optimization Society, 2014.

On partially sparse recovery. (A. S. Bandeira, K. Scheinberg, and L. N. Vicente). Technical Report 11-13, Dept. of Mathematics, Univ. Coimbra, 2011.

Gerar Recorrencia recorrendo a Geradoras: uma aplicacao de Funcoes Geradoras. (A. S. Bandeira). Boletim da Sociedade Portuguesa de Matematica No 58 (Maio 2008)

SELECTED  
COMMUNICA-  
TIONS

Combinatorics seminar, Rutgers, New Brunswick, NJ, 12/2018. (invited)

6th Princeton Day of Statistics, Princeton University, Princeton, NJ, 11/2018. (invited)

Random Matrix and Probability Theory seminar, Harvard, Cambridge, MA, 10/2018. (invited)

ETH Mathematics Dept, Zurich, Switzerland, 10/2018. (invited)

Mathematics of Data seminar, MPI Leipzig, Germany, 08/2018. (invited)

Statistical Physics and Machine Learning Back Together Workshop, Cargese, France, 08/2018. (invited)

Montreal Summer Workshop on Challenges in Probability and Mathematical Physics, CRM, Montreal, Canada, 07/2018. (invited)

SIAM Discrete Mathematics, Denver, CO, 06/2018. (invited)

Data Science Seminar (online), Rochester Institute of Technology, Rochester, NY, 04/2018. (invited)



MIT Stochastics and Statistics Seminar, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, MA, 03/2018. (invited)

Google Research Seminar, Google, New York, 02/2018. (invited)

February Fourier Talks 2018, University of Maryland, College Park, MD, 02/2018. (invited)

Simons Collaboration on Algorithms & Geometry Multi-reference Alignment Workshop, Simons Foundation, New York, 11/2017.

Fireside Chat, Simons institute for the theory of computing, Berkeley, CA, 11/2017.

Probability Seminar, UC Berkeley, CA, 10/2017. (invited)

Foundations of Computational Mathematics, Barcelona, Spain, 07/2017. (invited)

Global Portuguese Mathematicians, IST, Lisbon, Portugal, 07/2017. (invited)

Sampling Theory and Applications, 12th International Conference, Tallinn, Estonia, 07/2017. (invited)

IPG Seminar, Ecole polytechnique fÃdÃrle de Lausanne, Switzerland, 06/2017. (invited)

TTIC Colloquium, Toyota Technological Institute at Chicago, Chicago, 05/2017. (invited)

Simons Collaboration on Algorithms & Geometry Annual Meeting, Simons Foundation, New York, 05/2017. (invited)

IDeAS seminar, Princeton University, Princeton, 05/2017. (invited)

Statistics Department Seminar, Stanford University, Palo Alto, CA, 04/2017. (invited)

Optimization and Statistical Learning 2017, Les Houches, France, 04/2017. (invited)

Data Analysis Seminar, Johns Hopkins University, 04/2017. (invited)

Rutgers/DIMACS Theory Seminar, Rutgers University, New Brunswick, NJ, 03/2017. (invited)

Graduate Student/Postdoc Seminar, Courant Institute of Mathematical Sciences, NY, 03/2017. (invited)

Statistical physics, Learning, Inference and Networks, Les Houches, France, 02/2017. (invited)

Statistics and Probability Seminar Series, Boston University, Boston, 02/2017. (invited)

Analysis Seminar, Courant Institute of Mathematical Sciences, New York, 11/2016. (invited)

Machine Learning Seminar, Google NY, NY, 10/2016. (invited)

Workshop on Applied Harmonic Analysis, Massive Data Sets, Machine Learning, and Signal Processing, Casa Matematica Oaxaca, Mexico, 10/2016 (invited)

Probability Seminar, University of Minnesota, MN, 10/2016 (invited)

Pleenary talk at the National Meeting of the Portuguese Mathematical Society (EN-SPM16), Barreiro, Portugal, 07/2016. (invited)

National Meeting of the Portuguese Mathematical Society (ENSPM16), Barreiro, Portugal, 07/2016. (invited)

University of Southern California, Los Angeles, CA, 05/2016. (invited)

MIT Portugal, Cambridge, MA, 04/2016. (invited)

Workshop on Harmonic Analysis, Graphs, and Learning, Bonn, Germany, 03/2016. (invited)

Information Theory and Applications, San Diego, CA, 02/2016. (invited)

Mitsubishi Electric Research Laboratories, Cambridge, MA, 01/2016. (invited)

Short Communication, Inference on Networks: Algorithms, Phase Transitions, New Models and New Data, Santa Fe Institute, 12/2015.

Digital Signal Processing, MIT EECS, 11/2015. (invited)

Colloquium, Department of Mathematics, UCLA, 11/2015. (invited)

Information Theory, Coding and Combinatorics lunch seminar, MIT EECS, 09/2015. (invited)

Applied Harmonic Analysis and Sparse Approximation, Oberwolfach, 08/2015. (invited)

International Symposium on Mathematical Programming (ISMP 2015), Pittsburgh 07/2015. (invited)

PACM GSS, Princeton University, Princeton, 03/2015. (invited)

EECS Special Seminar, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, 03/2015. (invited)

Department of Industrial Engineering and Operations Research, Columbia, 02/2015. (invited)

Applied Math Seminar, Courant Institute of Mathematical Sciences, NYU, 02/2015. (invited)

EECS Department Colloquium Series , UC Berkeley, 02/2015. (invited)

Statistics Department, Wharton, University of Pennsylvania, 02/2015. (invited)

Department of Mathematics, University of Wisconsin-Madison, 02/2015. (invited)

Electrical Engineering Seminar Series, Harvard, 01/2015. (invited)

Statistics Colloquium, University of Chicago, 01/2015. (invited)

IDeAS seminar, Princeton University, Princeton, 01/2015. (invited)

Optimization and Statistical Learning 2015, Les Houches, France, 01/2015. (invited)

Meeting in Mathematical Statistics: New Procedures for New Data, CIRM Luminy, France 12/2014. (invited)

Semester Program on “High-dimensional Approximation”, ICERM, Brown University, Providence, 11/2014. (invited)

Workshop: High dimensional phenomena in Probability, Statistics and Signal Processing, IMPA, Rio de Janeiro, 11/2014. (invited)

Computing + Mathematical Sciences seminar, California Institute of Technology, Pasadena, 10/2014. (invited)

Information Theory Forum, Stanford University, Palo Alto, 10/2014. (invited)

IDeAS seminar, Princeton University, Princeton, 10/2014. (invited)

International Congress of Mathematicians, Seoul, 08/2014.

SIAM conference on optimization, San Diego, 05/2014. (invited)

Ergodic Theory and Stastical Mechanics seminar, Princeton, 05/2014. (invited)

Austrian Academy of Sciences, Vienna, 04/2014. (invited)

Mini-Workshop: Mathematical Physics meets Sparse Recovery, Oberwolfach, 04/2014. (invited)

AMS Spring Central Sectional Meeting, Lubbock, 04/2014. (invited)

48th Annual Conference on Information Sciences and Systems (CISS 2014), Princeton, 03/2014. (invited)

PACM GSS, Princeton University, Princeton, 02/2014. (invited)

5th Innovations in Theoretical Computer Science (ITCS 2014), Princeton, 01/2014.

University of California at Berkeley, 12/2013. (invited)

Stanford University, 12/2013. (invited)

Center for Computational Intractability Meeting, Princeton University, Princeton, 12/2013. (invited)

Math GSS, Princeton University, Princeton, 11/2013. (invited)

PACM GSS, Princeton University, Princeton, 10/2013. (invited)

INFORMS Optimization Society student paper prize session, Minneapolis, 10/2013. (invited)

SPIE Optics+Photonics 2013, San Diego, 08/2013. (invited)

Theory Seminar, NYU, New York, 04/2013. (invited)

AT&T Labs, Florham Park, 02/2013. (invited)

OSL2013, Les Houches, 01/2013. (invited)

PACM GSS, Princeton University, Princeton, 12/2012. (invited)

Workshop on Phase Retrieval, Erwin Schroedinger Institute, Vienna, 10/2012. (invited)

TU Berlin, Berlin, 08/2012. (invited)

ICCOPT2013, Lisbon, 07/2013. (invited)

MOPTA2012, Bethlehem, 07/2012. (invited)

ISMP2012, Berlin, 08/2012. (invited)

NuHAG seminar, University of Vienna, Vienna, 05/2012. (invited)

University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, 06/2012. (invited)

Applied and Computational Math Colloquium, Princeton University, Princeton, 04/2012.  
(invited)

IDeAS seminar, Princeton University, Princeton, 04/2012. (invited)

PACM GSS, Princeton University, Princeton, 04/2012. (invited)

Theory Lunch, Princeton University, Princeton, 02/2012. (invited)

12th Annual Workshop on “Applications and Generalizations of Complex Analysis”,  
Coimbra, 2010.

Seminário Diagonal, University of Coimbra, Coimbra, 05/2009. (invited)

London International Youth Science Forum, London, 07/2007. (invited)

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