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## Employment

- 2021-2024 Postdoc, University of Michigan. Mentor: Alexander Perry.  
2017-2021 Postdoc, UC San Diego. Mentor: James McKernan.

## Education

- 2013–2017 **Ph.D., Mathematics**, *Stony Brook University*, Stony Brook, NY.  
Advisor: Robert Lazarsfeld. Graduated: Aug. 19, 2017.  
2011–2013 **M.S., Mathematics**, *University of Michigan*, Ann Arbor, MI.  
2007–2011 **B.S., Mathematics; B.S., Physics**, *Wheaton College*, Wheaton, IL.

## Publications

14. *Complexes of stable birational invariants*, with James Hotchkiss, (2023). In preparation.
13. *The fibering genus of Fano hypersurfaces*, with Nathan Chen, Benjamin Church, and Lena Ji. arxiv:2308.12401, (2023). Submitted.
12. *The minimal fibering degree of a toric variety equals the lattice width of its polytope*, with Audric Lebovitz. arxiv:2308.04421, (2023). Submitted.
11. *Minimal degree fibrations in curves and the asymptotic degree of irrationality of divisors*, with Jake Levinson and Brooke Ullery. arxiv:2304.09963, (2023). Submitted.
10. *Smooth limits of plane curves of prime degree and Markov numbers*, with Kristin DeVleming. arxiv:2208.10595, (2022). Submitted.
9. *Fano hypersurfaces with no finite order birational automorphisms*, with Nathan Chen and Lena Ji. arxiv:2208.07396, (2022). Submitted.
8. *Higher index Fano varieties with finitely many birational automorphisms*, with Nathan Chen. (2022) *Compositio Mathematica*, 158(11), 2033-2045.
7. *Rational endomorphisms of Fano hypersurfaces*, with Nathan Chen. arxiv:2103.12207, (2021). Submitted.
6. *A direct proof that toric rank 2 bundles on projective space split*. *Mathematica Scandinavica*. 126, 3 (2020), 493-496.
5. *Maximal Chow constant and cohomologically constant fibrations*, with Kristin DeVleming. *Commun. in Contemporary Math.* (2020).
4. *Fano hypersurfaces with arbitrarily large degrees of irrationality*, with Nathan Chen. *Forum of Mathematics, Sigma*. 8 e24 (2020).
3. *The degree of irrationality of hypersurfaces in various Fano varieties*, with Brooke Ullery. *Manuscripta Mathematica*. 161 (2020), 377-408.  
*The degree of irrationality of very general hypersurfaces in some homogeneous spaces*, Ph.D. thesis (2017). Stony Brook University.

2. *The tangent space of the punctual Hilbert scheme*, with Dori Bejleri. Michigan Math. J. 66 (2017), no. 3, 595-610.
1. *Geometry and stability of tautological bundles on Hilbert schemes of points*. Algebra and Number Theory. 10, 6 (2016), 1173-1190.

### Expository writing

Exercises in *Hyperkahler manifolds* with Samir Canning, Yajnasetti Dutta, and Elham Izadi. Rend. Istit. Mat. Univ. Trieste. 54 (2022), 163-206.

### Funding

- 2022 **SCGP Workshop**, *Birational Complexity of Algebraic Varieties*, \$50,000.  
 2018–2021 **AMS-Simons Travel Grant**, \$4000.

### Organizational Activities

- Dec. 2022 **Organizer**: *Birational Complexity of Algebraic Varieties* (workshop), SCGP.  
 Dec. 2022 **Organizer**: *Graduate Workshop on Birational Complexity*, SCGP.  
 2020-2021 **Organizer**: *UCSD Algebraic Geometry Seminar*, UCSD.  
 2018-2019 **Organizer**: *Old News in Algebraic Geometry Seminar*, UCSD.  
 2016-2017 **Organizer**: *RTG Student Geometry Seminar*, Stony Brook.  
 2016-2017 **Founder & President**: *AMS Graduate Student Chapter*, Stony Brook.  
 2014-2016 **Organizer**: *Student Algebraic Geometry Seminar*, Stony Brook. Toric varieties (S2016), Rational Curves (F2015), K3 Surfaces (S2015), Arithmetic of Elliptic Curves (F2015).

### Refereeing work

Advances in Math., Algebra and Number Theory, Communications in Algebra, Crelle's Journal, European Journal of Math., IMRN, J. Math. Pures Appl., JPAA, Math. Z., MRL.

### Invited Talks

- Oct. 2023 **Fields Medal Symposium in honor of Caucher Birkar**: The Fields Institute.  
 Sep. 2023 **Arkansas Algebra Seminar**: University of Arkansas.  
 Jun. 2023 **Thematic Program on Rationality and Hyperbolicity**: *Birational Geometry of complex Fano hypersurfaces via characteristic  $p$* , Notre Dame.  
 Mar. 2023 **Kentucky Algebra Seminar**: *Smooth limits of plane curves and Markov numbers*, University of Kentucky.  
 Jan. 2023 **Zoom Birational Geometry Seminar**: *Higher index Fano varieties with finitely many birational automorphisms*.  
 Dec. 2022 **Birational Complexity of Algebraic Varieties**: *Minimal degree fibrations and the asymptotic degree of irrationality of divisors*, SCGP.  
 Nov. 2022 **Penn State Algebra and Number Theory Seminar**: *Smooth limits of plane curves and Markov numbers*, Penn State University.  
 Oct. 2022 **Emory Algebra and Number Theory Seminar**: *Smooth limits of plane curves and Markov numbers*, Emory University.

- May 2022 **KU Geometry Seminar:** *Studying the birational geometry of Fano varieties using holomorphic forms*, Kansas University.
- Apr. 2022 **Michigan State Algebra Seminar:** *Studying the birational geometry of Fano varieties using holomorphic forms*, Michigan State University.
- Mar. 2022 **Northwestern Algebraic Geometry Seminar:** *Studying the birational geometry of Fano varieties using holomorphic forms*, Northwestern University.
- Feb. 2022 **Higher Dimensional Geometry:** *Mori's Conjecture, Plane Curves, and Markov Numbers*, Simons Foundation.
- Jan. 2022 **UGA Algebraic Geometry Seminar:** *Studying the birational geometry of Fano varieties using holomorphic forms*, University of Georgia.
- Dec. 2021 **WashU Colloquium:** *How complicated could a Fano hypersurface really be*, Washington University St. Louis.
- Nov. 2021 **Hannover Algebraic Geometry Seminar:** *Studying the birational geometry of Fano varieties using holomorphic forms*, Hannover.
- Oct. 2021 **Valley Geometry Seminar:** *Studying the birational geometry of Fano varieties using holomorphic forms*, UMass Amherst.
- Sep. 2021 **Michigan Algebraic Geometry Seminar:** *Studying the birational geometry of Fano varieties using holomorphic forms*, University of Michigan.
- Feb. 2021 **Kentucky Algebra Seminar:** *Studying Fano hypersurfaces with holomorphic forms*, University of Kentucky.
- Feb. 2021 **Derived Seminar:** *Studying Fano hypersurfaces with holomorphic forms*.
- Nov. 2020 **UCSD Undergraduate Colloquium:** *The geometry of projective space*, UCSD.
- Oct. 2020 **UIC Algebraic Geometry Seminar:** *Irrationality of Fano hypersurfaces*, UIC.
- Jun. 2020 **UC Santa Barbara Algebraic Geometry Seminar:** *Fano hypersurfaces with large degrees of irrationality*, UC Riverside.
- Feb. 2020 **Southern California Algebraic Geometry Seminar:** *Fano hypersurfaces with large degrees of irrationality*, UCSD.
- Jan. 2020 **McMaster Colloquium:** *Hypersurfaces which are far from being rational*, McMaster University.
- Nov. 2019 **UC Riverside Algebraic Geometry Seminar:** *Fano hypersurfaces with large degrees of irrationality*, UC Riverside.
- Dec. 2018 **UC Davis Algebraic Geometry Seminar:** *Tautological bundles on Hilbert schemes of points*, UC Davis.
- Oct. 2018 **AMS Sectional Meeting:** *The degree of irrationality of hypersurfaces in various Fano varieties*, San Francisco State.
- Oct. 2018 **UCLA Algebra Seminar:** *The degree of irrationality of hypersurfaces in various Fano varieties*, UCLA.
- Dec. 2017 **Utah Algebraic Geometry Seminar:** *The degree of irrationality of hypersurfaces in various Fano varieties*, University of Utah.
- Nov. 2017 **Georgia Algebraic Geometry Seminar:** *The degree of irrationality of hypersurfaces in various Fano varieties*, UGA.
- Oct. 2017 **UCSD RTG Colloquium:** *Measures of Irrationality of Algebraic Varieties*, UC San Diego.

- Oct. 2017 **UCSD Algebraic Geometry Seminar:** *Tautological bundles on Hilbert schemes of points*, UC San Diego.
- Sep. 2017 **Vector Bundles on Algebraic Curves (VBAC) Conference:** *Tautological bundles on Hilbert schemes of points*, Essen, Germany.
- Mar. 2017 **Harvard-MIT Algebraic Geometry Seminar:** *Tautological bundles on Hilbert schemes of points*, Harvard.
- Nov. 2016 **Wisconsin Algebraic Geometry Seminar:** *Tautological bundles on Hilbert schemes of points*, University of Wisconsin.
- Nov. 2016 **Stony Brook Algebraic Geometry Seminar:** *Tautological bundles on Hilbert schemes of points*, Stony Brook University.
- Apr. 2016 **AMS Graduate Student Conference:** *Hilbert schemes of points and their tautological bundles*, Brown University.

### Participation in Special Programs

- Jan. 2023 **ICERM Collaboration**, ICERM.
- Spring 2019 **Birational Geometry and Moduli Spaces**, MSRI.
- May 2018 **Birational Geometry and Arithmetic**, ICERM.
- Oct. 2016 **Rational subvarieties in positive characteristic**, AIM Workshop.
- Aug. 2016 **Positivity of Cycles**, AIM Workshop.

### Teaching

- Fall 2023 **Modern Algebra**, Math 412, University of Michigan.
- Spring 2023 **Linear Algebra**, Math 217, University of Michigan.
- Winter 2023 **Theory of Algorithms**, Math 416, University of Michigan.
- Fall 2022 **Linear Algebra**, Math 217, University of Michigan.
- Spring 2022 **Algebraic Geometry II**, Math 632, University of Michigan.
- Fall 2021 **Calculus I**, Math 115, University of Michigan.
- Spring 2021 **Calculus and Analytic Geometry**, Math 20C, UC San Diego.
- Winter 2020 **Calculus and Analytic Geometry**, Math 20C, UC San Diego.
- Winter 2020 **Vector Calculus**, Math 20E, UC San Diego.
- Fall 2019 **Calculus and Analytic Geometry**, Math 20C, UC San Diego.
- Summer 2019 **Modern Algebra 2**, Math 103B, UC San Diego.
- Fall 2018 **Calculus 2 for Science and Engineering**, Math 20B, UC San Diego.
- Winter 2018 **Modern Algebra**, Math 103A, UC San Diego.
- Fall 2017 **Abstract Algebra**, Math 100A, UC San Diego.
- Spring 2013 **Calculus II**, Math 116, University of Michigan.
- Fall 2012 **Calculus II**, Math 116, University of Michigan.
- Spring 2012 **Calculus I**, Math 115, University of Michigan.
- Fall 2011 **Calculus I**, Math 115, University of Michigan.