

Curriculum Vitae

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Appointments

2023 - Assistant Professor, University of Kansas
2021 - 2023 S.E.W Visiting Assistant Professor, University of California San Diego
2019 - 2021 J.L. Doob Research Assistant Professor, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
2018 - 2019 Postdoctoral Researcher, Max Planck Institute for Informatics
2017 - 2018 Lecturer, Northeastern University

Education

2012 - 2017 **Ph.D. in Mathematics**, Northeastern University
Advisor: Venkatramani Lakshmi Bai
Thesis: "Schubert singularities and Levi subgroup actions on Schubert varieties"
2015 (June) **Visitor**, FAU Erlangen-Nürnberg
2010 - 2012 **M.S. in Mathematics**, Northeastern University
2000 - 2004 **B.A. in Mathematics and Computer Science**, Goshen College

Grants and Awards

2020 - 2022 AMS-Simons Travel Grant
2021 List of Teachers Ranked as Excellent by Their Students, UIUC (Spring 2021)
2020 List of Teachers Ranked as Excellent by Their Students, UIUC (Spring 2020)

Research Interests

My research focuses on algebraic combinatorics, representation theory, and combinatorial Lie theory. I investigate flag varieties and their Schubert varieties via representation theoretic and combinatorial tools. I also work with straightening relations and study their application to multiplicities of irreducible representations in plethysms and geometric complexity theory.

Publications and Preprints

16. Y. Gao, **R. Hodges**, A. Yong. *Levi-spherical Schubert varieties* Preprint, arXiv:2305.00555
15. Y. Gao, **R. Hodges**, A. Yong. *Classifying Levi-spherical Schubert varieties*. Séminaire Lotharingien de Combinatoire, 86B (2022)
14. D. Brewster, J. Balogh, **R. Hodges**. *Proper elements of Coxeter Groups*. Preprint, arXiv:2111.15105
13. **R. Hodges**, G. Orelowitz. *Approximate counting of standard set-valued tableaux*. Theoretical Computer Science, Volume 934, No. 23, 7-20 (2022)
12. Y. Gao, **R. Hodges**, A. Yong. *Classification of Levi-spherical Schubert varieties*. Selecta Math, Vol. 29, No. 4, 1022-1824 (2023)
11. D. Brewster, **R. Hodges**, A. Yong. *Proper permutations, Schubert geometry, and randomness*. Journal of Combinatorics, Vol. 13, No. 4, 561-574 (2022)
10. S. Gao, **R. Hodges**, G. Orelowitz. *Multiplicity-free skew Schur polynomials*. Algebraic Combinatorics, Vol 4 Issue 6, 1073-1117 (2021)

9. P. Breiding, **R. Hodges**, C. Ikenmeyer, M. Michałek. *Equations for GL invariant families of polynomials*. Vietnam Journal of Mathematics, Volume 50, 545-556 (2022)
8. **R. Hodges**, A. Yong. *Coxeter combinatorics and spherical Schubert geometry*. Journal of Lie Theory 32, No. 2, 447-474 (2022)
7. **R. Hodges**, A. Yong. *Multiplicity-free key polynomials*. Ann. Comb. 27, 387–411 (2023)
6. M. B. Can, **R. Hodges**. *Sphericity and Smoothness of Schubert Varieties*. Preprint, arxiv:1803.05515
5. **R. Hodges**, V. Lakshmibai. *A classification of spherical Schubert varieties in the Grassmannian*. Proc Math Sci 132, 68 (2022).
4. **R. Hodges**. *A non-iterative formula for straightening fillings of Young diagrams*. Preprint, arxiv:1710.05214
3. M. B. Can, **R. Hodges**, V. Lakshmibai. *Toroidal Schubert varieties*. Algebr Represent Theor 23, 1927-1943 (2020)
2. **R. Hodges**, V. Lakshmibai. *Levi subgroup actions on Schubert varieties, induced decompositions of their coordinate rings, and sphericity consequences*. Algebr Represent Theor 21: 1219-1239 (2018)
1. **R. Hodges**, V. Lakshmibai. *Free resolutions of some Schubert singularities in the Lagrangian Grassmannian*. Pacific J. Math. **279** (2015), no. 1-2, 329–355.

Academic Service and Mentorship

Co-organizer of the Schubert Summer School @ UIUC, June 2023

Undergraduate Summer Research - Atmik Das - Summer 2022

Faculty Mentor Program (UCSD Undergraduate research mentorship program) - Mingyu Yu - Winter 2022 & Spring 2022

Co-organizer of ALGECOM XIX, March 2020

Co-organizer of the Algebra-Geometry-Combinatorics Seminar at UIUC, 2019-2021

ICLUE undergraduate research mentor, Summer 2020

Project mentor for a summer REU project at Northeastern University, Summer 2018

Served as a referee for: Transactions of the American Mathematical Society, Algebraic Combinatorics, Annals of Combinatorics, the Electronic Journal of Combinatorics, Communications in Algebra.

Talks

2023 Jun. **U. Ottawa** (2023 CMS Summer Meeting Session on Equivariant Schubert calculus and beyond):

Levi-spherical Schubert varieties.

Mar. **UCSD** (Undergraduate Research Seminar):

Approximate counting of standard set-valued tableaux.

Mar. **G.I.T** (AMS Special Session on Geometric and Combinatorial Aspects of Lie Theory):

Classifying Levi-spherical Schubert varieties.

Jan. **U. of Kansas** (Colloquium):

Classifying Levi-spherical Schubert varieties.

Jan. **JMM 2023** (AMS Special Session on the combinatorics of Jordan type and Lefschetz properties):

Approximate counting of standard set-valued tableaux.

- 2022 Oct. **Brandeis/Northeastern University** (Maurice Auslander Distinguished Lectures and International Conference):
Classifying Levi-spherical Schubert varieties.
- Oct. **UMass Amherst** (AMS Special Session on the combinatorics and geometry of Jordan type and commuting varieties):
Classifying Levi-spherical Schubert varieties.
- Jun. **UC Davis** (Algebra & Discrete Mathematics Seminar):
Classifying Levi-spherical Schubert varieties.
- Apr. **Texas A&M** (Geometry Seminar):
Classifying Levi-spherical Schubert varieties.
- Mar. **U. of Minnesota** (Combinatorics Seminar):
Classifying Levi spherical Schubert varieties.
- Mar. **U. of Minnesota** (UMN Student Combinatorics and Algebra Seminar):
Split-symmetry in algebraic combinatorics.
- Mar. **UC San Diego** (RTG Colloquium in Algebra, Algebraic Geometry and Number Theory):
Classifying Levi spherical Schubert varieties.
- 2021 Apr. **U. of Illinois Urbana-Champaign** (Undergraduate Seminar):
Straightening fillings of Young diagrams.
- Mar. **University of Michigan** (Combinatorics Seminar)
Coxeter combinatorics and spherical Schubert geometry.
- 2020 Nov. **University of Georgia** (Algebra Seminar):
Coxeter combinatorics and spherical Schubert geometry.
- Oct. **Dartmouth College** (Combinatorics Seminar):
A non-iterative formula for straightening fillings of Young diagrams.
- Oct. **University of Waterloo** (Combinatorics Seminar):
Coxeter combinatorics and spherical Schubert geometry.
- Oct. **Notre Dame** (Algebra Seminar):
Coxeter combinatorics and spherical Schubert geometry.
- Oct. **U. of Illinois Urbana-Champaign** (Algebra-Geometry-Combinatorics Seminar):
Coxeter combinatorics and spherical Schubert geometry.
- Feb. **Oklahoma State** (Lie Groups Seminar):
Classifying Levi spherical Schubert varieties.
- Jan. **Washington U. St. Louis** (Combinatorics Seminar):
Classifying Levi spherical Schubert varieties.
- Jan. **Dalhousie U.** (Combinatorial Algebra meets Algebraic Combinatorics 2020):
A non-iterative formula for straightening fillings of Young diagrams.
- 2019 Dec. **U. of Minnesota** (UMN Combinatorics Seminar):
A non-iterative formula for straightening fillings of Young diagrams.
- Dec. **U. of Minnesota** (Graduate Student Seminar):
Straightening and Foulkes' conjecture.
- Nov. **U. of Florida, Gainesville** (AMS Special Session on Combinatorial Lie Theory):
Spherical and toroidal Schubert varieties.
- Oct. **U. of Illinois Urbana-Champaign** (Algebra-Geometry-Combinatorics Seminar):

- The combinatorics of spherical Schubert varieties.*
- May. **Max Planck Institute for Informatics** (Scientific Review Poster Session):
The kernel of the Hadamard-Howe map.
- Jan. **Universität zu Köln** (Oberseminar Algebra):
A classification of spherical Schubert varieties in the Grassmannian.
- 2018 Nov. **FAU Erlangen-Nürnberg** (Emmy-Noether-Seminars):
A classification of spherical Schubert varieties in the Grassmannian.
- Nov. **Northeastern** (Geometry, Algebra, Singularities, and Combinatorics Seminar):
A classification of spherical Schubert varieties in the Grassmannian.
- Nov. **Tulane** (Commutative Algebra and Representation Theory Conference):
A classification of spherical Schubert varieties in the Grassmannian.
- Oct. **Max Planck Institute for Informatics** (D1 Seminar):
A non-iterative formula for straightening fillings of Young diagrams
- Apr. **Northeastern** (AMS Special Session on Topics in Toric Geometry):
Levi subgroup actions on Schubert varieties in the Grassmannian
- Apr. **Northeastern** (AMS Special Session on Combinatorial Aspects of Nilpotent Orbits):
A classification of spherical Schubert varieties
- May **U. of Illinois Urbana-Champaign** (Algebra-Geometry-Combinatorics Seminar):
A non-iterative formula for straightening fillings of Young diagrams
- Jan **Tulane** (Combinatorics Seminar):
A non-iterative formula for straightening fillings of Young diagrams
- 2017 Nov. **UC Riverside** (AMS Special Session on Combinatorial Aspects of the Polynomial Ring):
Levi subgroup actions on Schubert varieties in the Grassmannian
- Oct **CUNY** (New York Combinatorics Seminar):
A closed non-iterative formula for straightening fillings of Young diagrams
- Sept **Northeastern** (Matroids in Boston Workshop):
Straightening fillings of Young diagrams
- May **Brown** (AMS Graduate Student Conference in Algebra and Number Theory):
Flag varieties, their Schubert subvarieties, and Levi subgroup actions
- Apr. **UNC Chapel Hill** (Geometric Methods in Representation Theory):
Levi subgroup actions on Schubert varieties in the Grassmannian
- Apr. **UMass Boston** (Colloquium):
Levi subgroup actions on Schubert varieties in the Grassmannian
- Mar. **U. of Illinois Urbana-Champaign** (Algebra-Geometry-Combinatorics Seminar):
Levi subgroup actions on Schubert varieties in the Grassmannian
- 2016 Nov. **Northeastern** (Geometry, Algebra, Singularities, and Combinatorics Seminar):
Levi subgroup actions on Schubert varieties in the Grassmannian
- Nov. **Tufts** (Algebra/Geometry Seminar):
Levi subgroup actions

- Oct. **Northeastern** (Graduate Student Seminar):
Levi subgroup actions on Schubert varieties
- Apr. **Northeastern** (Graduate Student Seminar):
Decompositions of Schubert variety coordinate rings and sphericity
- 2015 June **FAU Erlangen-Nürnberg** (Emmy-Noether-Seminars):
Free resolutions of some Schubert singularities
- 2014 Oct. **Northeastern** (Graduate Student Seminar):
A geometric technique for computing free resolutions
- Feb. **Northeastern** (Graduate Student Seminar):
Introduction to standard monomial theory

Teaching Experience

- 2023 Fall Instructor for "Introduction to Modern Algebra"
 Spring Instructor for "Mathematical Reasoning"
 Winter Instructor for "Modern Algebra II"
- 2022 Fall Instructor for "Applied Linear Algebra" (two sections)
 Instructor for MATH 199 - Independent Study/Undergrad (Atmik Das)
 Spring Instructor for "Applied Linear Algebra"
 Instructor for MATH 199 - Independent Study/Undergrad (Mingyu Yu)
 Winter Instructor for "Modern Algebra"
 Instructor for "Calculus II"
 Instructor for MATH 199 - Independent Study/Undergrad (Mingyu Yu)
- 2021 Fall Instructor for "Modern Algebra"
 Spring Instructor for "Nonlinear Programming"
- 2020 Fall Instructor for "Linear Programming"
- 2020 Spring Instructor for "Nonlinear Programming"
- 2019 Fall Instructor for two sections of "Introduction to Discrete Mathematics"
- 2017 Fall Instructor for two sections of "Calculus for Biology"
 Spring Instructor "Calculus for Business and Economics"
- 2016 Fall Instructor "Applied Calculus"
 Spring Instructor "Mathematical Thinking"
 This course covers logic, discrete probability theory, and combinatorics.
- 2015 Fall Instructor "Mathematical Thinking"
 Summer Teaching Assistant "Linear Algebra"
 Spring Instructor "Mathematical Thinking"
- 2014 Fall Instructor "Mathematical Thinking"
 Summer Instructor "Applied Calculus"
 Spring Instructor "Mathematical Thinking"
- 2013 Fall Instructor "Mathematical Thinking"
 Spring Instructor "Mathematical Thinking"
- 2012 Fall Teaching Assistant "Mathematical Thinking"

Skills

Programming Languages: C, Sage, Python, Cython