Irit Dinur

Curriculum Vitae

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EDUCATION

2003-2004 Post-Doc, Miller fellow at UC Berkeley.

2002-2003 Post-Doc, NEC Research Institute, Princeton.

2001-2002 Post-Doc Member, School of Mathematics, Institute for Advanced Study, Princeton.

2001 **Ph.D.**, Summa Cum Laude, awarded on June 2002, Computer Science, Tel Aviv University, Israel Thesis title: "On the Hardness of Approximating the Minimum Vertex Cover and the Closest Vector in a Lattice". Research supervised by Prof. Shmuel Safra.

1995 B.Sc., Mathematics and Computer Science, Tel Aviv University, Israel, (Summa Cum Laude).

ACADEMIC POSITIONS

2024 - Full Professor, incumbent of the Overdeck Professorial Chair, Institute for Advanced Study, Princeton.

2019–2020 Visiting Professor, Institute for Advanced Study, Princeton.

2013–2024 Full Professor, Weizmann Institute of Science, incumbent of the Dr. Hymie Moross Professorial Chair.

2012-2013 Visiting Fellow, the Radcliffe Institute at Harvard.

2011-2012 Visiting Researcher, Microsoft New England Research Lab.

2007–2013 Associate Professor, Weizmann Institute of Science.

2004–2007 Senior lecturer, incumbent of the Harry and Abe Sherman lectureship chair, Hebrew University.

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Theoretical computer science and computational complexity. Specifically, robustness in computation, probabilistically checkable proofs (PCPs), and hardness of approximation. Recently, local to global phenomena and especially high dimensional expansion, property testing, error-correcting codes, and analysis of Boolean functions.

AWARDS AND HONORS

- 2024 Information Theory Society Paper Award.
- 2023 Best Paper Award in Theoretical Computer and Information Sciences (Beijing) for the paper "Locally Testable Codes with constant rate, distance, and locality", with Evra, Livne, Lubotzky, and Mozes.
- 2022 STOC best paper award, for the paper "Locally Testable Codes with constant rate, distance, and locality", with Evra, Livne, Lubotzky, and Mozes.
- $\bullet\,$ 2022 ACM Paris Kanellakis Theory and Practice Award.
- 2021 Kimmel Award.
- 2019 Gödel prize (awarded by EATCS and ACM SIGACT).
- 2015 Prof. Pazy Memorial Research Award (awarded by the BSF).
- 2014 Levinson Award (awarded by Weizmann).
- 2013 Test of time award (TOTA), PODS, together with Kobbi Nissim for our paper 'Revealing Information While Preserving Privacy'.
- 2012 Erdös Prize, Israel Math Union.
- 2007 Yad Hanadiv Bruno Research Award.
- $\bullet\,$ 2006 Best paper award, the 38th ACM Symposium on Theory of Computing (STOC).
- 2006 The Hebrew University Rector Prize.
- 2005 Bergmann Memorial BSF Award.
- 2002 Haim Nessyahu Prize for excellent PhD thesis in mathematics in Israel.

FUNDING

- \bullet ERC advanced grant no. 101142769 (2,105,940 Euros). Period: 01/2025-12/2030, "Local to global expansion and PCPs".
- ISF grant no. 2073/21 (920,000 ILS). Period: 10/2021-09/2025, "Expanders and Codes".
- ERC consolidator grant no. 772839 (1,512,035 Euros). Period: 02/2018-12/2024, "High Dimensional Expanders and Probabilistically Checkable Proofs".
- Previous grants: BSF 2015-2019, ISF-UGC 2014-2017, ERC-starting-grant 2009-2016, BSF 2009-2013, ISF 2009-2013, BSF 2005-2009, ISF 2004-2008.

SELECTED TALKS

- 2025 (planned Oct 2023) Distinguished lecture series at TTI Chicago
- 2025 Harvard CMSA Ding-Shum lecture.
- 2022 "inspirational talk" at STOC 2022 TCS women's highlight workshop, see https://sigact.org/tcswomen/.
- 2022 Plenary lecture at FSTTCS conference, Chennai.
- 2022 Masaryk University lecture series.
- 2022 MATH+ colloquium in Berlin.
- 2021 Breakthroughs in Computer Science talk series, Simons Institute.
- 2020 Hermann Weyl Lectures at the Institute for Advanced Study, Princeton.
- 2019 Plenary talk at SODA conference.
- 2018 Plenary lecture at British Mathematics Colloquium, at St. Andrews, Scotland.
- $\bullet\,$ 2017 Colloqium lecture at IST Austria.
- 2016 ETH Zurich Distinguished Computer Science Colloquium.
- 2016 Math across campus (MAC) plenary lecture, U Washington.
- 2010 Plenary talk, International Congress of Mathematicians (ICM), Hyderabad.

Recent mini-courses and schools

- 2023 CSCIT summer school, course on expanders and codes (Hong Kong University).
- 2023 Oleron summer school on complexity, mini-course on hardness of approximation.
- 2021 UNCG Expander Summer School, mini-course (virtual).

CONFERENCE ORGANIZATION

Future programs and workshops

- Semester program at the Simons Institute at UC Berkeley ("Pseudorandomness and high dimensional expansion"), planned 2027/8, lead co-organizer with Salil Vadhan.
- Oberwolfach meeting on computational complexity, co-organized with Peter Bürgisser and Salil Vadhan (June 2024).

Past events

- ICTS Workshop in Bangalore "HDX and Codes", 2025, co-organized with Prahladh Harsha and Venkatesan Guruswami.
- 2025 Weizmann winter school on expansion in groups, combinatorics, and complexity, co=organized with Thomas Vidick.
- Simons summer semester 2023: "Beyond the Boolean cube" (co-organizer)
- Oberwolfach meeting on computational complexity, co-organizer (2021, 2018)
- Simons 2019 Summer Cluster on "Codes and high dimensional expanders" (lead organizer)
- ICM 2018 Program Committee
- Weizmann summer workshop on high dimensional expanders, 2016
- ITCS 2015, conference local organizer
- Winter School in and about combinatorics (IIAS in Jerusalem, 2015)
- ICM Sectional Program Committee, (2014, 2010)
- Discrete Harmonic Analysis (Newton Institute in Cambridge UK) 2011, Quantitative Geometry in Computer Science (MSRI)
- Workshop on Analytical methods in combinatorics and CS (2009), IPAM
- Women in Theory workshop, Princeton, (2008).

EDITORIAL SERVICE

- \bullet Editor: Journal of the ACM (2016-2023), Journal of Computational Complexity (2019-2024).
- Scientific Advisory Boards: Mathematical Research Institute Oberwolfach SAB 2024-2028, Simons Institute SAB 2018-2020, ECCC - The Electronic Colloquium on Computational Complexity.
- Conference program committees: STOC 2024, CCC 2019, FOCS 2016 (chair), FOCS 2015, STOC 2013, CCC 2012, STOC 2010, LATIN 2010, RANDOM 2009 (chair), RANDOM 2007, FOCS 2005, CCC 2005, STOC 2004.

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- [2] Yotam Dikstein, Irit Dinur, and Alexander Lubotzky. Low acceptance agreement tests via bounded-degree symplectic HDXs. (submitted, arXiv:2402.01078), 2024.
- [3] Irit Dinur, Ting-Chun Lin, and Thomas Vidick. Expansion of higher-dimensional cubical complexes with application to quantum locally testable codes. (submitted, arXiv:2402.07476), 2024.
- [4] Ron Asherov and Irit Dinur. Bipartite unique-neighbour expanders via Ramanujan graphs. *Entropy journal*, Special issue on extremal and additive combinatorics (to appear), 2024.
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- [13] Irit Dinur and Roy Meshulam. Near coverings and cosystolic expansion. Archiv der Mathematik, 118(5):549–561, May 2022.
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- [17] Irit Dinur, Yuval Filmus, Prahladh Harsha, and Madhur Tulsiani. Explicit SoS lower bounds from high-dimensional expanders. In James R. Lee, editor, 12th Innovations in Theoretical Computer Science Conference, ITCS 2021, January 6-8, 2021, Virtual Conference, volume 185 of LIPIcs, pages 38:1–38:16. Schloss Dagstuhl Leibniz-Zentrum für Informatik, 2021.
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