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Employment

2024-pres. Assistant Professor, **University of Illinois at Chicago**, Chicago, IL
2021-2024 Assistant Professor, **The Ohio State University**, Columbus, OH
2019-2021 Research Associate (postdoc), **University of Cambridge**, Cambridge, UK
2016-2019 Lumpkins Postdoctoral Fellow (RAP), **University of Notre Dame**, Notre Dame, IN
2015-2016 Visiting Assistant Professor, **University of Notre Dame**, Notre Dame, IN

Education

Aug. 2015 Ph.D. in Pure Mathematics, **University of Illinois at Chicago**, Chicago, IL
May 2010 MS in Pure Mathematics, **University of Illinois at Chicago**, Chicago, IL
May 2008 BA in Mathematics, **Colgate University**, Hamilton, NY

Grants and Awards

2024-pres. **NSF Grant DMS-2348901**, \$219,595
Structure and regularity in continuous model theory
2019-2023 **NSF Grant DMS-2204787** (moved from DMS-1855503), \$119,074
Model theory and definable additive combinatorics
2018 **AMS Simons Travel Grant**, University of Notre Dame
2014 **NSF Research Training Group Pre-doctoral Fellow**, University of Illinois at Chicago
RTG in algebraic geometry and related fields (number theory, complex dynamics, and model theory)
2008 **Edwin J. Downie '33 Award for Mathematics**, Colgate University
2006 **Sisson Prize in Mathematics**, Colgate University

Extended Research Appointments

Fall 2021 **Fields Institute**, Toronto, Canada
Thematic Program on Trends in Pure and Applied Model Theory
Spring 2018 **Institute Henri Poincaré**, Paris, France
Model Theory, Combinatorics, and Valued Fields Trimester Program

Research Interests

Model theory and applications to **group theory** and **arithmetic combinatorics**

Publications

1. G. Conant, E. Hrushovski, & A. Pillay, *Compactifications of pseudofinite and pseudo-amenable groups*, **Groups, Geometry, and Dynamics** (to appear), 23 pages.
2. G. Conant & A. Kruckman, *Three surprising instances of dividing*, **Journal of Symbolic Logic** (to appear), 18 pages.
3. G. Conant, C. d'Elbée, Y. Halevi, L. Jimenez, & S. Rideau-Kikuchi, *Enriching a predicate and tame expansions of the integers*, **Journal of Mathematical Logic** (to appear), 42 pages.
4. N. Chavarría, G. Conant, & A. Pillay, *Continuous stable regularity*, **Journal of the London Mathematical Society** 109 (2024), 36 pages.
5. G. Conant & A. Pillay, *Approximate subgroups with bounded VC-dimension*, **Mathematische Annalen** 388 (2024) 1001-1043.

6. G. Conant, K. Gannon, & J. Hanson, *Keisler measures in the wild*, **Model Theory** 2 (2023) 1-67.
7. G. Conant, A. Pillay, & C. Terry, *Structure and regularity for subsets of groups with finite VC-dimension*, **Journal of the European Mathematical Society** 24 (2022) 583-621.
8. G. Conant & J. Hanson, *Separation for isometric group actions and hyperimaginary independence*, **Fundamenta Mathematicae** 249 (2022) 97-109.
9. G. Conant, *Quantitative structure of stable sets in arbitrary finite groups*, **Proceedings of the American Mathematical Society** 149 (2021) 4015-4028.
10. G. Conant, *Stability in a group*, **Groups, Geometry, and Dynamics** 15 (2021) 1297-1330.
11. G. Conant & A. Pillay, *Pseudofinite groups and VC-dimension*, **Journal of Mathematical Logic** 21 (2021).
12. G. Conant & K. Gannon, *Associativity of the Morley product of invariant measures in NIP theories*, **Journal of Symbolic Logic** 86 (2021) 1293-1300.
13. G. Conant & K. Gannon, *Remarks on generic stability in independent theories*, **Annals of Pure and Applied Logic** 171 (2020).
14. G. Conant & M. C. Laskowski, *Weakly minimal groups with a new predicate*, **Journal of Mathematical Logic** 20 (2020).
15. G. Conant, *On finite sets of small tripling or small alternation in arbitrary groups*, **Combinatorics, Probability & Computing** 29 (2020) 807-829.
16. G. Conant, A. Pillay, & C. Terry, *A group version of stable regularity*, **Mathematical Proceedings of the Cambridge Philosophical Society** 168 (2020) 405-413.
17. G. Conant & A. Kruckman, *Independence in generic incidence structures*, **Journal of Symbolic Logic** 84 (2019) 750-780.
18. G. Conant, *Stability and sparsity in sets of natural numbers*, **Israel Journal of Mathematics** 230 (2019) 471-508.
19. U. Andrews, G. Conant, & I. Goldbring, *Definable sets containing productsets in expansions of groups*, **Journal of Group Theory** 22 (2019) 63-82.
20. G. Conant, *Extending partial isometries of generalized metric spaces*, **Fundamenta Mathematicae** 244 (2019) 1-16.
21. G. Conant, *Multiplicative structure in stable expansions of the group of integers*, **Illinois Journal of Mathematics** 62 (2019) 341-364.
22. E. Bering, G. Conant, & J. Gaster, *On the complexity of finite subgraphs of the curve graph*, **Osaka Journal of Mathematics** 55 (2018) 795-808.
23. G. Conant & A. Pillay, *Stable groups and expansions of $(\mathbb{Z}, +, 0)$* , **Fundamenta Mathematicae** 242 (2018) 267-279.
24. G. Conant, *There are no intermediate structures between the group of integers and Presburger arithmetic*, **Journal of Symbolic Logic** 83 (2018) 187-207.
25. G. Conant, *Forking and dividing in Henson graphs*, **Notre Dame Journal of Formal Logic** 58 (2017) 555-566.
26. G. Conant, *An axiomatic approach to free amalgamation*, **Journal of Symbolic Logic** 82 (2017) 648-671.
27. G. Conant, *Neostability in countable homogeneous metric spaces*, **Annals of Pure and Applied Logic** 168 (2017) 1442-1471.
28. G. Conant, *Distance structures for generalized metric spaces*, **Annals of Pure and Applied Logic** 168 (2017) 622-650.
29. G. Conant, *A remark on strict independence relations*, **Archive for Mathematical Logic** 55 (2016) 535-544.
30. G. Conant & C. Terry, *Model theoretic properties of the Urysohn sphere*, **Annals of Pure and Applied Logic** 167 (2016) 49-72.

Preprints

1. G. Conant & A. Pillay, *An analytic version of stable arithmetic regularity*, **arXiv 2401.14363**, 28 pages.
2. G. Conant & C. Terry, *Pseudofinite proofs of the stable graph regularity lemma*, **arXiv 2308.16809**, 15 pages.
3. G. Conant, K. Gannon, & J. Hanson, *Generic stability, randomizations, and NIP formulas*, **arXiv 2308.01801**, 38 pages.
4. A. Abd Aldaim, G. Conant, & C. Terry, *Higher arity stability and the functional order property*, **arXiv 2305.13111**, 71 pages.

Invited Talks

- 2024 *Beijing Model Theory Conference*, Chinese Academy of Sciences
- 2024 *Special Session on Model Theory*, ASL North American Annual Meeting
- 2024 *Special Session on Model Theory*, AMS Spring Central Sectional Meeting
- 2024 *Department Colloquium*, University of Illinois at Chicago
- 2024 *Department Colloquium*, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
- 2024 *Géométrie et Théorie des Modèles*, Ecole Normale Supérieure
- 2023 *Mid-Atlantic Mathematical Logic Seminar*, Rutgers University
- 2023 *Neostability Workshop*, Banff International Research Station
- 2022 *Midwest Model Theory*, University of Illinois at Chicago
- 2022 *ASL Special Session on Model-theoretic Classification Program*, 2022 Joint Mathematics Meetings
- 2022 *Special Session on Model Theory and its Applications*, AMS Spring Central Sectional Meeting
- 2021 *Workshop on Model Theory and Combinatorics*, Fields Institute
- 2021 *Workshop on Trends in Pure and Applied Model Theory*, Fields Institute
- 2021 *Department Colloquium*, The Ohio State University
- 2021 *Canadian Discrete and Algorithmic Mathematics*
- 2021 *Géométrie et Théorie des Modèles*, Ecole Normale Supérieure
- 2021 *ASL Winter Meeting at JMM*, plenary lecture
- 2020 *Groups and Model Theory* (cancelled), Stevens Institute of Technology
- 2020 *Antalya Algebra Days XXII* (cancelled), Nesin Mathematics Village
- 2020 *Model Theory: Groups, Geometries, and Combinatorics*, Mathematical Research Institute of Oberwolfach
- 2019 *Workshop on Recent Applications of Model Theory*, Fields Institute
- 2019 *Model Theory and Mathematical Logic*, University of Maryland
- 2019 *Journées sur les Arithmétiques Faibles*, CUNY Graduate Center
- 2019 *Pure Mathematics Conference*, Southern Illinois University
- 2019 *Department Colloquium*, Vassar College
- 2019 *Department Colloquium*, Wesleyan University
- 2019 *Department Colloquium*, Iowa State University
- 2018 *Pure and Applied Model Theory*, University of Illinois
- 2018 *Neostability Workshop*, International Research Station, Casa Matemática Oaxaca
- 2018 *Special Session on Model Theory*, ASL European Logic Colloquium, University of Udine
- 2018 *Ramsey Theory in Logic, Combinatorics, and Complexity*, Università di Bologna, Bertinoro
- 2018 *South and East of England Model Theory Network*, University of Norwich
- 2018 *Department Colloquium*, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem
- 2018 *Combinatorics and Additive Number Theory*, CUNY Graduate Center
- 2018 *Special Session on Model Theory*, ASL North American Annual Meeting, Western Illinois University
- 2018 *Model Theory of Finite and Pseudofinite Structures*, University of Leeds
- 2018 *Model Theory and Combinatorics*, Institut Henri Poincaré
- 2017 *Special Session on Model Theory*, CMS Annual Winter Meeting, University of Waterloo
- 2017 *Nonstandard Methods in Combinatorial Number Theory*, American Institute of Mathematics
- 2017 *Model Theory in Wrocław*, Instytut Matematyczny, Uniwersytet Wrocławski
- 2016 *Model Theory of Finite and Pseudofinite Structures*, University of Leeds
- 2016 *Graduate Student Conference in Logic* (faculty plenary speaker), University of Notre Dame
- 2016 *Midwest Model Theory Day*, University of Illinois at Chicago
- 2015 *Homogeneous Structures Workshop*, Banff International Research Station
- 2015 *Special Session on Model Theory*, AMS Central Fall Sectional Meeting, Loyola University Chicago
- 2015 *Neostability Workshop*, International Research Station, Casa Matemática Oaxaca
- 2015 *BLAST*, University of North Texas

Teaching

Tutorials and Mini-Schools

- 2021 Tutorial on “Stability and Combinatorics” (2 hours of lectures)
Thematic Program on Trends in Pure and Applied Model Theory at the Fields Institute
- 2020 Lecturer and online instructor for “An Excursion Into Model Theory and Its Applications”
London Mathematical Society Online Lecture Series
- 2016 Thematic Program in Model Theory (6 hours of lectures)
Undergraduate Summer School at the University of Notre Dame

Summer Undergraduate Research

- 2023 OSU ROMUS (Research Opportunities in Mathematics for Underrepresented Students)
Tora Ozawa & David Zeng (undergraduate), Aycin Iplikci Arodirik (graduate assistant)
- 2024 OSU ROMUS (Research Opportunities in Mathematics for Underrepresented Students)
Jad Damaj & Teresa Pollard (undergraduate), Hannah Sheats (graduate assistant)

Reading Courses

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| Fall 2024 | Continuous Logic (3 students) | University of Illinois at Chicago |
| Summer 2024 | Hazal Aydogdu | The Ohio State University |
| Summer 2024 | Sean Basa | The Ohio State University |
| Fall 2023 | Baraa Abd Aldaim | The Ohio State University |
| Summer 2023 | Devrim Pekmezci | The Ohio State University |

Regular Courses

- 2024-pres. **Assistant Professor, University of Illinois at Chicago**
MATH 210 Multivariable Calculus
Fall 2024 (45 students, 47 students)
- 2021-2024 **Assistant Professor, The Ohio State University**
MATH 6004 Model Theory: Spring 2024 (9 students)
MATH 6003 Set Theory: Spring 2023 (6 students)
MATH 8000 Topics in Model Theory: Fall 2022 (7 students)
MATH 3345 Foundations of Higher Mathematics:
Spring 2024 (30 students)
Spring 2022 (31 students, 33 students)
- 2019-2021 **Research Associate, University of Cambridge**
Model Theory (Part III, examinable): Michaelmas Term 2020
Applications of Pseudofinite Model Theory (graduate, non-examinable): Easter Term 2020
- 2015-2019 **Research Associate Professor, University of Notre Dame**
MATH 40910 Topics in Mathematical Logic: Spring 2019 (10 students)
MATH 20550 Calculus III: Fall 2015 (36 students), Fall 2016 (66 students), Fall 2017 (64 students)
MATH 10560 Calculus II: Fall 2015 (57 students), Spring 2016 (65 students)
MATH 10250 Elements of Calculus I: Spring 2016 (29 students), Fall 2017 (69 students)
MATH 10360 Calculus B for the Life and Social Sciences: Fall 2018 (43 students)
MATH 10130 Beginning Logic: Fall 2016 (33 students)
MATH 10120 Finite Mathematics: Spring 2017 (27 students)
- 2012-2015 **Lecturer (graduate student), University of Illinois**
MATH 300 Writing for Mathematics: Fall 2013, Spring 2014
MATH 210 Calculus 3: Fall 2012
Summer Enrichment Workshop - Math 090 Intermediate Algebra: Summer 2013
- 2008-2013 **Teaching assistant (graduate student), University of Illinois**
MATH 181 Calculus 2, MATH 180 Calculus 1, MATH 160 Finite Math for Business,
MATH 121 Precalculus, MATH 090 Intermediate Algebra

Advising

Postdocs	Leo Jimenez	The Ohio State University	2023-2024
PhD students	Al Baraa Abd Aldaim	The Ohio State University	2023-present
	Devrim Pekmezci	University of Illinois at Chicago	2023-present
Masters students	Louis Xiang Li	The Ohio State University	2023-present
Academic advisees	Tyler Beauregard	The Ohio State University	2023-2024
	Gradmar Maldonado	The Ohio State University	2023-2024
	Devrim Pekmezci	The Ohio State University	2022-2023
First-year mentees	Ali Farsad	The Ohio State University	Spring 2024
	Chavdar Lalov	The Ohio State University	2023-2024
	Hugh Dennin	The Ohio State University	2022-2023

Committees

Departmental Service Committees

2024-2025	Colloquium Committee	University of Illinois at Chicago
2023-2024	Graduate Studies Committee, Mentoring Committee	The Ohio State University
2022-2023	Mentoring Committee	The Ohio State University

PhD Defense Committees

2016 Somayeh Vojdani (advisor: Anand Pillay), University of Notre Dame

PhD Candidacy Committees

2024 Yewen Sun (advisor: Caroline Terry), The Ohio State University
 2023 Juan Pablo De Rasis (advisor: Jennifer Park), The Ohio State University
 2019 Nicolas Chavarria (advisor: Anand Pillay), University of Notre Dame

Other Professional Service

Conferences and Workshops

2025 Special Session in Model Theory (organizer)
 ASL North American Annual Meeting
 2023 Geometric and Combinatorial Configurations in Model Theory (scientific committee)
 University of Freiburg
 2022 Combinatorics Meets Model Theory (organizer)
 University of Cambridge
 2019 AMS Special Session on Recent Advances in Regularity Lemmas (organizer)
 Joint Mathematics Meetings
 2017 Special Session in Model Theory (organizer)
 AMS Spring Central Sectional Meetings
 2016 16th Graduate Student Conference in Logic (organizer)
 University of Illinois at Chicago

Seminars

2024-pres. Logic Seminar (organizer), University of Illinois at Chicago
 2023-2024 Logic Seminar (organizer), The Ohio State University
 2013 Graduate Student Colloquium (organizer), University of Illinois at Chicago
 2011-2013 Louise Hay Logic Seminar (organizer) University of Illinois at Chicago

Panels

June 2021 Non-research aspects of job/grant applications and in careers in mathematics
 ASL Annual Meeting, University of Notre Dame

Miscellaneous

2016-pres. AMS MathSciNet Reviewer
 2013-pres. Creator and webmaster of **forkinganddividing.com** (an online resource for education and research in model theory)