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Born: September 12, 1985

Nationality: French

Education

- 2008–2011 **PhD in Mathematics**, *Université Paris-Sud*, Paris.
advisor: Élisabeth Bouscaren
title: Ordre et stabilité dans les théories NIP
theme: Model theory (a branch of mathematical logic)
- 2007–2008 **Masters in Mathematics**, *Université Paris 7*, Paris.
Specialized in Mathematical logic, model theory
- 2007 **Agrégation de mathématiques**.
(French national mathematics teaching competitive examination; rank: 7)
- 2008 **Diploma of the École Normale Supérieure**.
Specialized in Mathematics
- 2005–2009 **Student at École Normale Supérieure**, Paris.

Employment

- 2014–Present **Chargé de recherche, CNRS**, *Université Claude Bernard*, Lyon.
(Tenure research position)
- Jan–May 2014 **Post-doctoral position**, *MSRI*, Berkeley.
- 2012–2013 **Post-doctoral position**, *Hebrew University*, Jerusalem.
- 2010–2012 **Agrégé-préparateur**, *École Normale Supérieure*, Paris.
(Teaching assistant)

Awards

- 2014 Strauch Postdoctoral Scholar, Spring semester, MSRI, Berkeley
- 2013 Mark Fulk Student Award (with Roi Livni)
(Conference on Learning Theory (COLT), best paper award)
- 2012 Sacks prize
(Awarded each year to one thesis in mathematical logic, worldwide)
- 2012 Perrissin-Pirasset/Schneider prize from the Chancellerie des Universités de Paris
(10,000 € awarded each year to one thesis in mathematics defended in the Paris area)
- 2003 Contestant at the International Mathematical Olympiads: silver medal

Programming skills

Experience of programming as a hobby (small games). Good general knowledge.

Languages

Mothertongue **French**
Fluent **English**
Intermediate **Spanish, German, Hebrew**
Basic **Chinese (Mandarin)**

Interests

- Reading topics: languages, linguistics, cognitive science, history
 - Running, swimming, cycling, meditation
 - Travels
 - Piano
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Teaching

2010–2012 Teaching assistant: logic course, 3rd year students, ENS, Paris
2009–2010 Teaching assistant: calculus, 2nd year students, Université Paris-Sud
Voluntary tutoring of 1st and 2nd year students, Université Paris-Sud
2008–2009 Calculus course, CMI, Chennai, India

Publications

Book

A Guide to NIP theories

Lecture notes in Logic, Cambridge University Press (to be published)

Published papers

- **External definability and groups in NIP theories**
with A. Chernikov and A. Pillay
J. London Math. Soc., *accepted*
- **On forking and definability of types in some dp-minimal theories**
with S. Starchenko
J. Symbolic Logic, *accepted*
- **Dp-minimality: invariant types and dp-rank**
J. Symbolic Logic, *accepted*

- **Honest compressions and their application to compression schemes**
with R. Livni
Proceedings of the 26th Conference on Learning Theory (COLT), 2013
- **The Borel cardinality of Lascar strong types**
with I. Kaplan et B. Miller
J. London Math. Soc., accepted
- **Externally definable sets and dependent pairs II**
with A. Chernikov
Trans. of the AMS, accepted
- **Groups and fields with NTP2**
with A. Chernikov and I. Kaplan
Proceeding of the AMS, accepted
- **Witnessing dp-rank**
with I. Kaplan
Notre Dame J. of Formal Logic, accepted
- **Distal and non-distal NIP theories**
Annals of Pure and Applied Logic, Vol 164-3 (2013) 294–318
- **A note on generically stable measures and fsg groups**
with E. Hrushovski and A. Pillay
Notre Dame J. of Formal Logic, accepted
- **Adding linear orders**
with S. Shelah
J. Symbolic Logic, Vol 77 (2012) 717–725
- **Finding generically stable measures**
J. Symbolic Logic, Vol 77, Issue 1 (2012)
- **Externally definable sets and dependent pairs**
with A. Chernikov
Israel J. of Math., accepted
- **Generically stable and smooth measures in NIP theories**
with E. Hrushovski and A. Pillay
Trans. of the AMS, 365 (2013), 2341–2366
- **On dp-minimal ordered structures**
J. Symbolic Logic, Vol 76, Issue 2 (2011)

Preprints

- **Rosenthal compacta and NIP formulas**
- **Invariant types in NIP theories**
- **The affine and projective groups are maximal**
with I. Kaplan