# Xavier Goaoc

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#### PRESENT POSITION

I have been a *professeur des universités* since 2013, and I have been working at *Université de Lorraine* since 2018, where I am affiliated with the CS department of *École des Mines de Nancy* and with LORIA (the joint laboratory of Université de Lorraine, CNRS and INRIA). I am a member of the INRIA project GAMBLE.

## TRAINING AND PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

From 2013 to 2018, I was a professor at the computer science department of Université Paris-Est Marne-la-Vallée, now Université Gustave Eiffel. From 2005 to 2013, I was a full-time researcher at INRIA Nancy, and received my habilitation à diriger les recherches from Université Nancy 1 in 2011. I trained as a post-doctoral researcher in the algorithm group of the Technische Universität of Eindhoven (2004–05) after receiving a PhD in computer science from Université Nancy 2 (2004) and graduating from ENS Cachan (1997–2001, math department, agrégé in 2000).

## RESEARCH ACTIVITY

I work in discrete mathematics and algorithms, in *discrete and computational geometry*. I study combinatorial structures that arise from geometric objects (*e.g.* order types of point sets, geometric hypergraphs, nerves of geometric covers, ...) using methods from (algebraic) topology, probabilistic geometry and (extremal) combinatorics. I am also fond of classical line geometry.

**Keywords:** combinatorial convexity, nerves, homological minors, smoothed complexity, random polytopes, VC dimension, excluded patterns, geometric transversals, imaging systems.

## Selected publications:

- [1] Convex hulls of random order types, with E. Welzl. Journal of the ACM, 2023.
- [2] Shellability is NP-complete, with P. Paták, Z. Patáková, M. Tancer, and U. Wagner. Journal of the ACM, 2019.
- [3] Shatter functions with polynomial growth rates, with B. Bukh. SIAM Journal in Discrete Math., 2019.
- [4] The discrete yet ubiquitous theorems of Carathéodory, Helly, Sperner, Tucker, and Tverberg, with J. A. De Loera, F. Meunier and N. Mustafa. *Bulletin of the American Mathematical Society*, 2019.
- [5] The number of holes in the union of translates of a convex set in three dimensions, with B. Aronov,
  O. Cheong and M. Dobbins. Discrete & Computational Geometry, 2017.
- [6] Helly numbers of acyclic families, with É. Colin de Verdière and G. Ginot. Advances in Mathematics, 2014.

## Complete list of publications:

https://members.loria.fr/XGoaoc/

## DISTINCTIONS

Junior member of the Institut Universitaire de France (2014–2019). The preliminary versions of [1], [2], [5] and [6] received the best paper award at the Symposium of Computational Geometry (SoCG) in, respectively, 2020, 2018, 2016 and 2012.

I mostly teach courses in theoretical computer science (algorithms, complexity, discrete mathematics, cryptography, distributed computing) as well as in computer architecture. I sometimes teach programming courses (C, Python, assembly x86).

#### SUPERVISION

I co-advised the PhD thesis of Julien Demouth (2005–08, now senior engineer at NVIDIA), Guillaume Batog (2008–11, now professor in classes préparatoires), Galatée Hémery (2018–2020, interrupted to take a professor position in highschool) and Sarah Wajsbrot (2023–).

I hosted, as postdoctoral fellows, Eduardo Ferraz (2013, now a professor of economy at Universidad del Rosario, Bogotá), Alfredo Hubard (2013-14, now a professor of computer science at UPEM) and Florent Koechlin (2022-23, now a professor at École Polytechnique).

SERVICE

Co-chair of the program committee of the Symposium of Computational Geometry 2022.

Co-organizer of the Oberwolfach meeting on discrete geometry 2017, 2020 and 2024.

Chair of the computer science department of École des Mines de Nancy (2022–).

Member of several local councils (conseil d'administration Mines Nancy (2021–), pôle automatiquemaths-informatique UL (2022–), Fédération Charles Hermite (2018–), ...).

Past: co-founder of the Discrete and computational geometry seminar hosted at IHP since 2014 and co-organizer of conferences<sup>1</sup> or schools.<sup>2</sup>. Head of the computer science master program (UPEM, 2014-18), chair of the INRIA COST-GTRI (2011-13), chair of the Video & multimedia track for the Symposium of Computational Geometry 2017, member of the founding editorial board of the Journal of Computational Geometry (2009–11).

#### GRANTS

#### Current: co-PI of an INRIA associate team with Andreas Holmsen, KAIST.

Past: IUF (2014-19), PI of the ANR collaborative project PRESAGE (2011–15) and of international bilateral PHC grants (with Andreas Holmsen, KAIST, with Martin Tancer, Charles University, and with Otfried Cheong, KAIST).

Selected recent lectures

Discrete & Computational Geometry Day in Memory of E. Goodman and R. Pollack (2022). École jeunes chercheurs en informatique mathématique (2020, 3h).

École de mathématiques expérimentales (2018, 3h)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>http://igm.univ-mlv.fr/AlgoB/algoperm2012/ and https://rpm2019.sciencesconf.org/

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>http://wiki-math.univ-mlv.fr/gemecod/doku.php/winterschool2015 and http://geomschool2018.univ-mlv.fr/