

## CURRICULUM VITAE FOR BOAZ TSABAN

### Research interests.

*Pure mathematics.* In general and set theoretic topology, I study *selection principles*: selective covering and local properties, via infinite-combinatorial methods, with applications to real analysis (extraordinary sets of real numbers; function spaces) and Ramsey theory of open covers. I also worked extensively on applications of infinite-combinatorial methods in Pontryagin–van Kampen duality of topological groups.

*Computational mathematics.* In mathematical cryptology, I study computational questions that form the basis of nonabelian cryptology; especially group-theory based public key protocols.

### Education.

*PhD. Infinite Combinatorial Topology*, Department of Mathematics, Bar-Ilan University, 2003, with highest distinction. Supervisor: Hillel Furstenberg.

*MSc. Special classes of strongly null sets: A journey into the continuum*, Department of Mathematics, Bar-Ilan University, 1997, with highest distinction. Supervisors: Martin Goldstern and Hillel Furstenberg.

*BSc. Mathematics Extended*, Department of Mathematics, Bar-Ilan University, 1994, with highest distinction.

### Employment.

*4/2012–present.* Associate Professor, Department of Mathematics, Bar-Ilan University.

*10/2013–9/2014.* Sabbatical leave, Faculty of Mathematics and Computer Science, Weizmann Institute of Science.

*10/2007–3/2012.* Senior Lecturer, Department of Mathematics, Bar-Ilan University.

*10/2007–9/2009.* Consultant, Faculty of Mathematics and Computer Science, Weizmann Institute of Science.

*10/2004–9/2007.* Koshland Fellow, Faculty of Mathematics and Computer Science, Weizmann Institute of Science.

*10/2002–9/2004.* Post-doctoral student, Einstein Institute of Mathematics, Hebrew University of Jerusalem.

**Research grants.** Details and sums available at the enclosed Research Authority page.

- (1) Council for Higher Education, PBC Fellowship for Outstanding Chinese and Indian Post-doctoral Fellows, *Selection Principles and Combinatorial Cardinal Characteristics of the Continuum*, 2018 and 2019. Support for a post-doctoral student.
- (2) BIU Center for Research in Applied Cryptography and Cyber Security, *Algebraic lightweight cryptography*, 2016–2018.
- (3) Ministry of Defense, *Group theory based homomorphic encryption*, 2015–2016.
- (4) Cyber Defense and Advanced Computing grant, Ministry of Science and Technology, Israel, 2014.
- (5) Ministry of Science and Technology, Women in Science. (Support for a PhD student.)
- (6) Ministry of Defense, *Hard problems in infinite groups*, 2012, 2013.
- (7) United States–Israel Binational Science Foundation (BSF), Prof. Rahamimoff Grant, 2011 and 2013.
- (8) Rector and Vice President for Research Grants for Excellence in Scientific Research 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2015.

### **Awards.**

Tenure track: Wolf Foundation’s *Krill Prize* for Excellence in Scientific Research, 2009.

Post-Doctoral: Golda Meir; Edmund Landau; Minerva (short-term research visit); Koshland fellowship.

PhD: *Nessyahu Prize* for the best doctoral dissertation in mathematics in Israel, in the year 2003 (shared with Irit Dinur); BIU President Scholarship; Wolf Foundation; Sam Cohen; Rachel Jacobs.

MSc: Moris Banin Prize.

BSc: Israel Knesset; Rachel and Reuben Jacobs; David Ben Gurion (Ministry of Science); Salim and Rachel Banin; Wolf Foundation.

### **Lectures in Conferences and Workshops.**

#### *Invited Lectures.*

- (1) Coverings, selections, and games in topology, University of Lecce, Italy, 2002.
- (2) Foundations of the Formal Sciences V: Infinite Games, University of Bonn, Germany, 2004.
- (3) Algebraic Methods in Cryptography, Ruhr Universität Bochum, Germany, 2005.
- (4) Coverings, selections, and games in topology, II, University of Lecce, Italy, 2005.
- (5) Boise Workshop on Selection Principles in Mathematics, Boise State University, Idaho, USA, 2006.
- (6) Geometric and Asymptotic Group Theory with Applications, Universitat Politècnica de Catalunya, Barcelona, Spain, 2006.
- (7) Workshop on Set Theory and its Applications, Weizmann Institute of Science, Israel, 2007.
- (8) III-rd Workshop on Coverings, Selections, and Games in Topology, Vrnjacka Banja, Serbia, 2007.
- (9) Combinatorial and Geometric Group Theory with Applications, University of Dortmund, Germany, 2007.
- (10) 44th annual Spring Topology and Dynamics Conference, Mississippi State University, Mississippi State, USA, 2010.

- (11) Annual Israel Mathematical Union meeting, Weizmann Institute of Science, Israel, 2010.
- (12) International Functional Analysis Meeting in Valencia, University of Valencia, Valencia, Spain, 2010.
- (13) Algebra Meets Topology: Advances and Applications, Universitat Politècnica de Catalunya, Barcelona, Spain, 2010.
- (14) Workshop on Complexity and Group-based Cryptography, Centre de Recherches Mathématiques, Université de Montréal, Canada, 2010.
- (15) Topology Day, University of Messina, Messina, Italy, 2012: *Diagonalizations of dense families*. Plenary lecture.
- (16) IV Workshop on Coverings, Selections, and Games in Topology, Seconda Università di Napoli, Caserta, Italy, 2012: *Coherent omission of intervals: A method for constructing special sets of reals and associated topological spaces*. Plenary lecture.
- (17) Geometric and Combinatorial Group Theory, Heinrich Heine Universität Düsseldorf, Germany, 2012:
  - (a) *The Conjugacy Problem: cryptoanalytic approaches to a problem of Dehn*. Invited minicourse for all participants.
  - (b) *Finite invariants for the multiple conjugacy problem in Garside groups*. Invited lecture.
- (18) Symbolic Computations and Post-Quantum Cryptography, Stevens Institute of Technology, USA, 2012: *Polynomial time cryptanalysis of the Commutator Key Exchange Protocol and related protocols*. Invited lecture.
- (19) Interactions between Logic, Topological structures and Banach spaces theory, Ben Gurion University of the Negev, Israel, 2013: *Coherent omission of intervals*. Invited lecture.
- (20) Summer Undergraduate Research in Complexity in Algebra, Geometry and Applications, Boise, Idaho, USA, 2013: *Nonabelian cryptography*. Invited lecture.
- (21) 13th Serbian Mathematical Congress, Vrnjačka Banja, Serbia, 2014: *Pontryagin–van Kampen duality and PCF theory*. Invited lecture.
- (22) Analysis, Topology and Applications, Vrnjačka Banja, Serbia, 2014: *Product spaces, through the lens of selection theory*. Invited lecture.
- (23) Second Joint International Meeting of the American Mathematical Society and the Israel Mathematical Union, Ramat Gan and Tel Aviv, Israel, 2014: *Polynomial time solutions of the main problems of noncommutative algebraic cryptography*. Invited lecture.
- (24) International Conference on Topology, Messina, Italy, 2015: *Algebra, selections, and additive Ramsey theory*. Plenary lecture.
- (25) Compactness, Incompactness and Canonical Structures, Israel Institute for Advanced Studies, Jerusalem, 2015: *Applications of PCF theory and forcing theory to free topological groups*. Plenary lecture.
- (26) Galway Topology Colloquium, Leicester, UK, 2016: *Wide selection!* Invited lecture.
- (27) 31st Summer Conference on Topology and its Applications, Leicester, UK, 2016: *On the existence of real Fréchet–Urysohn function spaces*. Plenary lecture.
- (28) Workshop on Selection Principles, Chengdu, China, 2016: *Omission of intervals*. Invited minicourse for all participants.

- (29) Workshop on Secure Implementation of Post-Quantum Cryptography, Tel Aviv, 2016: *Nonabelian cryptography* Invited lecture.
- (30) Frontiers of Selection Principles, Warsaw, 2017: *An introduction to omission of intervals*. Plenary lecture.
- (31) Set Theory, Model Theory and Applications, Eilat, 2018: *On the Haar measure problem*. Invited lecture.
- (32) Summer Conference on Topology and its Applications, Bowling Green, USA, 2018: *A complete classification of the cofinal structure of precompacta in metric spaces*. Invited lecture.
- (33) CRYPTO, Santa Barbara, USA, 2018: *Cryptanalysis via algebraic spans*. Invited lecture.
- (34) Workshop on Cryptography and Network Security, Kanpur, 2018: *TBD*. Invited lecture.
- (35) European Set Theory Conference, Vienna, Austria, 2019. *Selection principles in set theory*. Invited lecture.
- (36) Geometric and Asymptotic Group Theory with Applications, Ramat Gan, Israel, 2019: *Foundations of nonabelian cryptanalysis*. Plenary lecture.

*Contributed lectures (until 2008)*. *BGU symposium in mathematics*, Ben Gurion University, Israel, 2001; *Israel Mathematical Union 2003 meeting*, Zichron Yaakov, Israel, 2003; *The Barcelona Conference on Set Theory*, Centre de Recerca Matemàtica, Barcelona, Spain, 2003; *Israel Mathematical Union 2005 meeting*, Neve Ilan, Israel, 2005; *Boise Extravaganza in Set Theory*, Boise State University, Idaho, USA, 2006; *10th Prague topological symposium*, Prague, Czech Republic, 2006; *International Conference on Set-theoretic Topology*, University of Kielce, Poland, 2006; *Ultramath 2008*, University of Pisa, Italy, 2008; *Compression and Combinatorial Algorithms (CCA) 2008*, CRI, University of Haifa, and Ashkelon Academic College, Haifa, 2008.

*Other lectures*. Colloquia and research seminars in Israel and abroad (number of talks indicated): Bar-Ilan University (> 10); Ben Gurion University (1); Hebrew University (8); Technion (1); Haifa University (2); Tel Aviv University (1); Holon Institute of Technology (1); Weizmann Institute of Science (8); Warsaw University (3); Katowice University (1); Wrocław University (1); Bonn University (2); University of Kragujevac (1); University Jaume I (2); Kurt Gödel Research Center (2).

**Students.** Graduation date indicated.

*MSc.*

- (1) (Informally) Dima Ruinskiy, 2007. Joint supervision with Adi Shamir.
- (2) Nadav Samet, 2008. Joint supervision with Gideon Schechtman.
- (3) Tal Orenstein, 2009. Joint supervision with Gady Kozma.
- (4) Tatyana Kovalyova, 2010.
- (5) Gili Goloan, 2011.
- (6) Gary Vinokur, 2012. Joint supervision with David Garber.
- (7) Matan Banin, 2014.
- (8) Achiya Bar-On, 2015. Joint supervision with Nathan Keller. Awards: Cyber Defense and Advanced Computing grant, Ministry of Science and Technology; Check Point Institute for Information Security grant.

- (9) Efrat Taub, 2015. Joint supervision with Adi Jarden.
- (10) Adi Ben Zvi , 2015.
- (11) Ayelet Amsalem, 2017. Joint supervision with Adi Jarden.
- (12) Itay Bookstein, 2018.
- (13) Asaf Cohen, present.
- (14) Idan Sulami, present.

*PhD.*

- (1) Adi Jarden, 2012. Awards: Prof. Rahamimoff Travel Grant of the U.S.–Israel Binational Science Foundation (BSF). Adi accepted a tenure-track position at Ariel University.
- (2) Gili Golan, 2015. Joint supervision with Mark Sapir. Awards: Women in Science, Israel Ministry of Science and Technology, 2012; Prof. Rahamimoff Travel Grant of the U.S.–Israel Binational Science Foundation (BSF); Wolf Foundation grant for PhD students; Fulbright Israeli Post-doctoral Scholar Fellowship. Finishing her post-doctoral studies at Vanderbilt, Gili accepted a tenure-track position at Ben-Gurion University.
- (3) Adi Ben-Zvi, present. Awards: Check Point Institute for Information Security grant.

*Post-doctoral.*

- (1) Michał Machura, 10/2004–9/2005 (informally). Joint supervision with Boris Kunyavski.
- (2) Lyubomyr Zdomskyy, 10/2006–9/2007 (informally). Joint supervision with Gideon Schechtman.
- (3) Arkadiusz Kalka, 10/2007–12/2011 and 5/2013–9/2015. Joint supervision with Mina Teicher.
- (4) Piotr Szewczak, 1–6/2015; 2/1016–1/2017.
- (5) Jialiang He, 10/2018–9/2020.

**Publications.** Links available at: [math.biu.ac.il/~tsaban/papers.html](http://math.biu.ac.il/~tsaban/papers.html)

Citations available at: [math.biu.ac.il/~tsaban/citing.html](http://math.biu.ac.il/~tsaban/citing.html)

*Pure Mathematics.*

- (1) *A topological interpretation of  $\mathfrak{t}$* , **Real Analysis Exchange** 25 (1999/2000), 391–404.
- (2) *A diagonalization property between Hurewicz and Menger*, **Real Analysis Exchange** 27 (2001/2002), 757–763.
- (3) *The combinatorics of Borel covers* (with M. Scheepers), **Topology and its Applications** 121 (2002), 357–382.
- (4) *Additivity properties of topological diagonalizations* (with T. Bartoszyński and S. Shelah), **Journal of Symbolic Logic** 68 (2003), 1254–1260.
- (5) *Critical cardinalities and additivity properties of combinatorial notions of smallness* (with S. Shelah), **Journal of Applied Analysis** 9 (2003), 149–162.
- (6) *Selection principles and the minimal tower problem*, **Note di Matematica** 22 (2003), 53–81.
- (7) *Topological diagonalizations and Hausdorff dimension* (with T. Weiss), **Note di Matematica** 22 (2003), 83–92.

- (8) *Selection principles in Mathematics: A milestone of open problems*, **Note di Matematica** 22 (2003), 179–208.
- (9) *The minimal cardinality where the Reznichenko property fails*, **Israel Journal of Mathematics** 140 (2004), 367–374.
- (10) *The Hurewicz covering property and slaloms in the Baire space*, **Fundamenta Mathematicae** 181 (2004), 273–280.
- (11) *The combinatorics of splittability*, **Annals of Pure and Applied Logic** 129 (2004), 107–130.
- (12) *Products of special sets of real numbers* (with T. Weiss), **Real Analysis Exchange** 30 (2004/5), 819–836.
- (13) *Strong  $\gamma$ -sets and other singular spaces*, **Topology and its Applications** 153 (2005), 620–639.
- (14) *Hereditary topological diagonalizations and the Menger–Hurewicz Conjectures* (with T. Bartoszyński), **Proceedings of the American Mathematical Society** 134 (2006), 605–615.
- (15)  *$o$ -bounded groups and other topological groups with strong combinatorial properties*, **Proceedings of the American Mathematical Society** 134 (2006), 881–891.
- (16) *Covering the Baire space by families which are not finitely dominating* (with H. Mildenberger and S. Shelah), **Annals of Pure and Applied Logic** 140 (2006), 60–71.
- (17) *Menger’s covering property and groupwise density* (with L. Zdomskyy), **Journal of Symbolic Logic** 71 (2006), 1053–1056.
- (18) *Some new directions in infinite-combinatorial topology*, in: **Set Theory** (J. Bagaria and S. Todorcevic, eds.), Trends in Mathematics, Birkhäuser 2006, 225–255.
- (19) *Additivity numbers of covering properties*, in: **Selection Principles and Covering Properties in Topology** (L. Kočinac, ed.), Quaderni di Matematica 18, Seconda Università di Napoli, Caserta 2006, 245–282.
- (20) *The combinatorics of  $\tau$ -covers* (with H. Mildenberger and S. Shelah), **Topology and its Applications** 154 (2007), 263–276.
- (21) *Selection Principles and special sets of reals*, in: **Open Problems in Topology II** (E. Pearl ed.), Elsevier B.V. 2007, 91–108.
- (22) *On the Kočinac  $\alpha_i$  properties*, **Topology and its Applications** 155 (2007), 141–145.
- (23) *A new selection principle*, **Topology Proceedings** 31 (2007), 319–329.
- (24) *On the Pytkeev property in spaces of continuous functions* (with P. Simon), **Proceedings of the American Mathematical Society** 136 (2008), 1125–1135.
- (25) *Several comments about the combinatorics of  $\tau$ -covers*, **Note di Matematica** 27 (2007), 47–53.
- (26) *Scales, fields, and a problem of Hurewicz* (with L. Zdomskyy), **Journal of the European Mathematical Society** 10 (2008), 837–866.
- (27) *The combinatorics of the Baer–Specker group* (with M. Machura), **Israel Journal of Mathematics** 168 (2008), 125–151.
- (28) *Hurewicz sets of reals without perfect subsets* (with D. Repovš and L. Zdomskyy), **Proceedings of the American Mathematical Society** 136 (2008), 2515–2520.
- (29) *Combinatorial images of sets of reals and semifilter trichotomy* (with L. Zdomskyy), **Journal of Symbolic Logic** 73 (2008), 1278–1288.

- (30) *Continuous selections and  $\sigma$ -spaces* (with D. Repovš and L. Zdomskyy), **Topology and its Applications** 156 (2008), 104–109.
- (31) *Null sets and games in Banach spaces* (with J. Duda), **Topology and its Applications** 156 (2008), 56–60.
- (32) *Partition relations for Hurewicz-type selection hypotheses* (with N. Samet and M. Scheepers), **Topology and its Applications** 156 (2009), 616–623.
- (33) *Superfilters, Ramsey theory, and van der Waerden’s Theorem* (with N. Samet), **Topology and its Applications** 156 (2009), 2659–2669.
- (34) *On the Pytkeev property in spaces of continuous functions (II)* (with L. Zdomskyy), **Houston Journal of Mathematics** 35 (2009), 563–571.
- (35) *Squares of Menger-bounded groups* (with M. Machura and S. Shelah), **Transactions of the American Mathematical Society** 362 (2010), 1751–1764.
- (36) *On a problem of Juhász and van Mill* (with S. Shelah), **Topology Proceedings** 36 (2010), 385–392.
- (37) *Point-cofinite covers in Laver’s model* (with A. Miller), **Proceedings of the American Mathematical Society** 138 (2010), 3313–3321.
- (38) *Sequential properties of function spaces with the compact-open topology* (with Gary Gruenhagen and L. Zdomskyy), **Topology and its Applications** 158 (2011), 387–391.
- (39) *Menger’s and Hurewicz’s Problems: Solutions from “The Book” and refinements*, **Contemporary Mathematics** 533 (2011), 211–226.
- (40) *Linear  $\sigma$ -additivity and some applications* (with T. Orenshtein), **Transactions of the American Mathematical Society** 363 (2011), 3621–3637.
- (41) *On productively Lindelöf spaces* (with F. Tall), **Topology and its Applications** 158 (2011), 1239–1248.
- (42) *Hereditarily Hurewicz spaces and Arhangel’skiĭ sheaf amalgamations* (with L. Zdomskyy), **Journal of the European Mathematical Society** 12 (2012), 353–372.
- (43) *Pointwise convergence of partial functions: The Gerlits–Nagy Problem* (with T. Orenshtein), **Advances in Mathematics** 232 (2013), 311–326.
- (44) *Hindman’s Coloring Theorem in arbitrary semigroups* (with G. Golan), **Journal of Algebra** 395 (2013), 111–120.
- (45) *On the cardinality of the  $\theta$ -closed hull of sets* (with F. Cammaroto, A. Catalioto, B. Pansera), **Topology and its Applications** 160 (2013), 2371–2378.
- (46) *Selective covering properties of product spaces* (with A. Miller, L. Zdomskyy), **Annals of Pure and Applied Logic** 165 (2014), 1034–1057.
- (47) *Diagonalizations of dense families* (with M. Bonanzinga, F. Cammaroto, B. Pansera), **Topology and its Applications** 165 (2014), 12–25.
- (48) *Additivity of the Gerlits–Nagy property and concentrated sets* (with L. Zdomskyy), **Proceedings of the American Mathematical Society** 142 (2014), 2881–2890.
- (49) *The character of topological groups, via bounded systems, Pontryagin–van Kampen duality and pcf theory* (with C. Chis, M. V. Ferrer, S. Hernández), **Journal of Algebra** 420 (2014), 86–119.
- (50) *Combinatorial aspects of selective star covering properties in  $\Psi$ -spaces*, **Topology and its Applications** 192 (2015), 198–207.
- (51) *Arhangel’skiĭ sheaf amalgamations in topological groups* (with L. Zdomskyy), **Fundamenta Mathematicae** 232 (2016), 281–293.

- (52) *Selective covering properties of product spaces, II:  $\gamma$  spaces* (with A. Miller, L. Zdomskyy), **Transactions of the American Mathematical Society** 368 (2016), 2865–2889.
- (53) *The linear refinement number and selection theory* (with M. Machura, S. Shelah), **Fundamenta Mathematicae** 234 (2016), 15–40.
- (54) *Products of Menger spaces: A combinatorial approach* (with P. Szewczak), **Annals of Pure and Applied Logic** 168 (2017), 1–18.
- (55) *Algebra, selections, and additive Ramsey theory*, **Fundamenta Mathematicae** 240 (2018), 81–104.
- (56) *The Haar Measure Problem* (with P. Szewczak, A. Przeździecki), **Proceedings of the American Mathematical Society**, to appear, 8 pages.
- (57) *Products of general Menger spaces* (with P. Szewczak), submitted for publication, 14 pages.
- (58) *A classification of the cofinal structures of precompacta* (with A. Eshed, M. Ferrer, S. Hernández, P. Szewczak), submitted for publication, 17 pages.

*Computational mathematics.*

- (59) *Guaranteeing the diversity of number generators* (with A. Shamir), **Information and Computation** 171 (2001), 350–363.
- (60) *Efficient linear feedback shift registers with maximal period* (with U. Vishne), **Finite Fields and their Applications** 8 (2002), 256–267.
- (61) *Bernoulli numbers and the probability of a birthday surprise*, **Discrete Applied Mathematics** 127 (2003), 657–663.
- (62) *Permutation graphs fast forward permutations and sampling the cycle structure of a permutation*, **Journal of Algorithms** 47 (2003), 104–121.
- (63) *The conjugacy problem and related problems in lattice-ordered groups* (with W.C. Holland), **International Journal of Algebra and Computation** 15 (2005), 395–404.
- (64) *Probabilistic solutions of equations in the braid group* (with D. Garber, S. Kaplan, M. Teicher, U. Vishne), **Advances in Applied Mathematics** 35 (2005), 323–334.
- (65) *Fast generators for the Diffie–Hellman key agreement protocol and malicious standards*, **Information Processing Letters** 99 (2006), 145–148.
- (66) *Length-based conjugacy search in the Braid group* (with D. Garber, S. Kaplan, M. Teicher, U. Vishne), **Contemporary Mathematics** 418 (2006), 75–87.
- (67) *Decompositions of graphs of functions and efficient iterations of lookup tables*, **Discrete Applied Mathematics** 155 (2007), 386–393.
- (68) *Cryptanalysis of group-based key agreement protocols using subgroup distance functions* (with D. Ruinskiy and A. Shamir), **PKC07, Lecture Notes In Computer Science** 4450 (2007), 61–75.
- (69) *Theoretical cryptanalysis of the Klimov–Shamir number generator TF-1*, **Journal of Cryptology** 20 (2007), 389–392.
- (70) *Length-based cryptanalysis: The case of Thompson’s Group* (with D. Ruinskiy and A. Shamir), **Journal of Mathematical Cryptology** 1 (2007), 359–372.
- (71) *Random strategies with memory for the Robin Hood game*, in: **Foundations of the Formal Sciences V: Infinite Games** (S. Bold, B. Löwe, T. Räscher, J. van Benthem, eds.), Studies in Logic 11, College Publications, London 2007, 271–278.

- (72) *Solving random equations in Garside groups using length functions* (with M. Hock), in: **Combinatorial and Geometric Group Theory** (O. Bogopolski, I. Bumagin, O. Kharlampovich, E. Ventura), Trends in Mathematics, Birkhäuser 2010, 149–169.
- (73) *The Discrete Logarithm Problem in Bergman’s non-representable ring* (with M. Banin), **Journal of Mathematical Cryptology** 6 (2012), 171–182.
- (74) *Short expressions of permutations as products and cryptanalysis of the Algebraic Eraser* (with A. Kalka, M. Teicher), **Advances in Applied Mathematics** 49 (2012), 57–76.
- (75) *Cryptanalysis of the MORE symmetric key fully homomorphic encryption scheme* (with N. Lifshitz), **Journal of Mathematical Cryptology** 9 (2015), 75–78.
- (76) *Cryptanalysis of SP networks with partial non-linear layers* (with A. Bar-On, I. Dinur, O. Dunkelman, N. Keller, V. Lallemand), **EUROCRYPT 2015, Lecture Notes in Computer Science** 9056 (2015), 315–342.
- (77) *Polynomial-time solutions of computational problems in noncommutative algebraic cryptography*, **Journal of Cryptology** 28 (2015), 601–622.
- (78) *SL<sub>2</sub> homomorphic hash functions: Worst case to average case reduction and short collision search* (with C. Mullan), **Designs Codes and Cryptography** 81 (2016), 83–107.
- (79) *A reduction of Semigroup DLP to classic DLP* (with M. Banin), **Designs Codes and Cryptography** 81 (2016), 75–82.
- (80) *A Practical Cryptanalysis of the Algebraic Eraser* (with A. Ben Zvi, S. Blackburn), **CRYPTO 2016 – Lecture Notes in Computer Science** 9814 (2016), 179–189.
- (81) *Cryptanalysis via algebraic spans* (with A. Ben-Zvi, A. Kalka), **CRYPTO 2018 – Lecture Notes in Computer Science** 10991 (2018), 255–274.
- (82) *A complete simultaneous conjugacy invariant in Garside groups* (with A. Kalka, G. Vinokur), submitted for publication, 22 pages.

*Recreational mathematics and history of mathematics.*

- (83) *On the Rabbinical approximation of  $\pi$*  (with D. Garber), **Historia Mathematica** 25 (1998), 75–84.
- (84) *A mechanical derivation of the area of a sphere* (with D. Garber), **American Mathematical Monthly** 108 (2001), 10–15.
- (85) *The SPM Bulletin*, **Note di Matematica** 27 (2007), 111–117.
- (86) *The mathematics of Ljubiša D.R. Kočinac*, **Topology and its Applications** 160 (2013), 2234–2242.

*Book editorship.*

- (87) L. Babinkostova, C. Guido, L. Kočinac, M. Scheepers, B. Tsaban, eds., **Proceedings of the Second Workshop on Coverings, Selections and Games in Topology**, Note di Matematica 27, suppl. 1 (2007), 117 pp.
- (88) G. Di Maio, B. Tsaban, eds., **Fourth Workshop on Coverings, Selections and Games in Topology**, on the occasion of Ljubiša D.R. Kočinac’s 65th birthday, Topology and its Applications 160 (2013), 334 pp.
- (89) A. Bella, M. Bonanzinga, B. Tsaban, eds., **International Conference on Topology**, on the occasion of Filippo Cammaroto’s 65th birthday, Topology and its Applications 224 (2017), 82 pp.

- (90) P. Szweczak, B. Tsaban, L. Zdomsky, eds., **Frontiers of Selection Principles**, on the occasion of Marion Scheepers's 60th birthday, *Topology and its Applications*, to appear.

**Published pages (calculated by L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X).** 1174 pages in published papers: 858 in pure mathematics; 316 in computational mathematics.

**Teaching.** Courses, mini-courses, and seminars from first year BSc up to PhD level, in universities (Bar-Ilan University, Hebrew University, Weizmann Institute of Science) and colleges (Jerusalem College of Technology); academic courses for gifted high-school students; advanced courses, including: Set theory (Bar-Ilan University, Weizmann Institute of Science), fractal theory, forcing theory, infinite-combinatorial topology, combinatorial number theory (Bar-Ilan University, Weizmann Institute of Science).

*Teaching evaluations.* Always above the course average (including service courses). Almost always above the departmental average in departmental courses. Typically, among the highest in the department.

**Travel to research institutes.** Austria, Canada, China, Czech Republic, Germany, Italy, Poland, Serbia, Spain, United Kingdom, USA. Details in Appendix A.

### Conferences and workshops committees.

*Membership in scientific committees.*

- (1) *Coverings, Selections, and Games in Topology II*, Lecce, Italy, December 2005.
- (2) *Coverings, Selections, and Games in Topology III*, Vrnjacka Banja, Serbia, 2007.
- (3) *First International Conference on Symbolic Computation and Cryptography*, Beijing, China, 2008.
- (4) *Second International Conference on Symbolic Computation and Cryptography*, Egham, UK, 2010.
- (5) *Coverings, Selections, and Games in Topology IV*, Caserta, Italy, 2012. (Scientific and organizing committees.)
- (6) *Third International Conference on Symbolic Computation and Cryptography*, Castro Urdiales, Spain, 2012.
- (7) *13th Serbian Mathematical Congress*, Vrnjačka Banja, Serbia, 2014.
- (8) *Analysis, Topology and Applications*, Vrnjačka Banja, Serbia, 2014.
- (9) *International Conference on Topology*, Messina, Italy, 2015.
- (10) *Frontiers of Selection Principles*, Warsaw, Poland, 2017.

*Membership in organizing committees.*

- (1) *Coverings, Selections, and Games in Topology IV*, Caserta, Italy, 2012. (Scientific and organizing committees.)
- (2) *Geometric and Combinatorial Group Theory with Applications*, Düsseldorf, Germany, 2012.
- (3) *International Conference on Topology*, Messina, Italy, 2015. (Scientific and organizing committees.)
- (4) *Frontiers of Selection Principles*, Warsaw, Poland, 2017. (Scientific and organizing committees.)

*Organizer.*

- (1) *Workshop on Set Theory and its Applications*, Weizmann Institute of Science, Israel, 2007.
- (2) *Israel Mathematical Union special session on Set Theory and its Applications*, Israel, 2009.

## Additional professional occupations

**Departmental teaching committee.** 2008–present. Took part in a major departmental curriculum revision.

**Co-organization of research seminars.** Weizmann Institute’s *Geometric Functional Analysis and Probability* seminar, 2005–2007; Bar-Ilan University *Combinatorial Group theory and Cryptography* seminar, 10/2007–6/2013; Bar-Ilan University *Infinite combinatorics* seminar, 2015.

**Journal refereeing.** The number of refereed papers, when greater than 1, is indicated. The journals are sorted by number of reports completed, and then by name.

*Pure mathematics.*

- (1) *Topology and its Applications* (14).
- (2) *Matematicki Vesnik* (4).
- (3) *Colloquium Mathematicum* (2).
- (4) *Contemporary Mathematics* (2).
- (5) *European Journal of Mathematics* (2).
- (6) *Note di Matematica* (2).
- (7) *Proceedings of the American Mathematical Society* (2).
- (8) *Quaestiones Mathematicae* (2).
- (9) *Abstract and Applied Analysis*.
- (10) *Acta Mathematica Sinica*.
- (11) *Annales Mathematicae Silesianae*.
- (12) *Ars Combinatorica*.
- (13) *Bollettino dell’Unione Matematica Italiana*.
- (14) *Discrete Mathematics*.
- (15) *Filomat*.
- (16) *International Journal of Mathematics, Game Theory and Algebra*.
- (17) *Journal of Logic and Analysis*.
- (18) *Journal of Mathematical Analysis and Applications*.
- (19) *Journal of Number Theory*.
- (20) *Journal of Symbolic Logic*.
- (21) *Lithuanian Mathematical Journal*.
- (22) *Mathematical Bulletin of the Shevchenko Scientific Society*.
- (23) *Monatshefte für Mathematik*.
- (24) *Open Mathematics* (formerly: *Central European Journal of Mathematics*).
- (25) *Publicationes Mathematicae Debrecen*.
- (26) *Tatra Mountains Mathematical Publications*.
- (27) *Taiwanese Journal of Mathematics*.

- (28) Topology Proceedings.
- (29) Transactions of the American Mathematical Society.
- (30) Turkish Journal of Mathematics.

*Computational mathematics.*

- (31) Applicable Algebra in Engineering, Communication and Computing (4).
- (32) Journal of Mathematical Cryptology (4).
- (33) IEEE Transactions on Information Theory (3).
- (34) Groups Complexity Cryptology (3).
- (35) Journal of Cryptology (2).
- (36) Theoretical Computer Science, Series A (2).
- (37) Contemporary Mathematics.
- (38) Cryptography.
- (39) Discrete Applied Mathematics.
- (40) IEEE Transactions on Computers.
- (41) IEEE Transactions on Information Security.
- (42) Information Processing Letters.
- (43) Information Sciences.
- (44) Journal of Algebra and its Applications.
- (45) Journal of Computer Science and Technology.
- (46) Journal of Integer Sequences.
- (47) Journal of Symbolic Computation.
- (48) Theory of Computing Systems (formerly: Mathematical Systems Theory).

*Refereeing for conferences.*

- (49) LATIN 2004 Conference on Theoretical Computer Sciences.
- (50) SAC (Selected Areas in Cryptography) 2006.
- (51) TCC (Theory of Computer Science) 2007.
- (52) Indocrypt 2007.
- (53) SCC (Symbolic Computation and Cryptography) 2008.
- (54) Inscrypt 2010.
- (55) SCC (Symbolic Computation and Cryptography) 2010.
- (56) CCC (IEEE Conference on Computational Complexity) 2012.
- (57) PKC (Public Key Cryptography) 2013, 2014.
- (58) Eurocrypt 2018.
- (59) Asiacrypt 2018.
- (60) ProvSec 2018.

I also refereed several grant applications in my fields of research, for USA and EU grant agencies.

**Reviewing.** *Mathematical Reviews* (16 items); *Zentralblatt Mathematics* (20 items).

**Editorship.** Editorial board member, **Groups, Complexity, and Cryptology**, Walter de Gruyter. Informal newsletters editor: The **SPM Bulletin** on selection principles in mathematics; The **CGC Bulletin** on combinatorial group theory and cryptology.

APPENDIX A. VISITS TO UNIVERSITIES AND RESEARCH INSTITUTES OUTSIDE OF ISRAEL

*23–30 June 2002.* University of Lecce, Italy.

*14–22 September 2003.* Centre de Recerca Matemàtica, Barcelona, Spain.

*14 November–2 December 2004.* University of Warsaw, Poland (15–17 November); University of Katowice, Poland (18–23 November); University of Wrocław, Poland (24–25 November); University of Bonn, Germany (25 November–2 December).

*16–20 November 2005.* Ruhr-Universität Bochum, Germany.

*18–25 December 2005.* University of Lecce, Italy.

*19 March–5 April 2006.* Boise State University, Idaho, USA.

*13–19 August 2006.* Mathematical Institute of Czechoslovak Academy of Sciences, Czech Republic.

*20–28 August 2006.* University of Kielce, Poland.

*29 August–4 September 2006.* Universitat Politècnica de Catalunya, Spain.

*23–29 April 2007.* University of Niš, Serbia.

*4–6 July 2007.* University of Warsaw, Poland.

*8–13 July 2007.* Stefan Banach International Mathematical Center, Poland.

*26 August–2 September 2007.* University of Dortmund, Germany.

*1–6 June 2008.* University of Pisa, Italy.

*1–19 December 2008.* University Jaume I, Castellon, Spain.

*23 August–3 September 2009.* Royal Holloway, University of London, Egham, United Kingdom.

*25 January–12 February 2010.* University Jaume I, Castellon, Spain.

*15–21 March 2010.* Mississippi State University, USA.

*6–13 June 2010.* University of Valencia, Spain.

*18–25 July 2010.* Universitat Politècnica de Catalunya, Barcelona, Spain.

*29 August–6 September 2010.* Centre de Reserches Mathématiques, Montreal, Canada.

*19–30 June 2011.* University of Manitoba, Winnipeg, Canada.

*18–27 July 2011.* University of Messina, Messina, Italy.

*28 August–16 September 2011.* Kurt Gödel Research Center, Vienna, Austria.

*11–29 June 2012.* University of Messina, Sicily; Seconda Università di Napoli, Caserta, Italy.

*24 July–4 August 2012.* Heinrich Heine Universität Düsseldorf, Germany.

*2–14 September 2012.* Kurt Gödel Research Center, Vienna, Austria.

*29 September–24 October 2013.* Kurt Gödel Research Center, Vienna, Austria.

*21–29 May 2014.* University of Niš, Serbia.

*6–11 September 2015.* University of Messina, Messina, Italy.

*1–5 Aug 2016.* Leicester University, Leicester, UK, 2016.

*4–23 Sep 2016.* Sichuan University, Chengdu, China, 2016.

*25 Oct–4 Nov 2016.* Kurt Gödel Research Center, Vienna, Austria.

*20 Aug–8 Sep 2017.* Cardinal Stephan Wyszyński University, Warsaw.