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EDUCATION

1989, Ph.D. in computer science from the University of Wisconsin-Madison

1984, B.S. in computer science and mathematics from Iowa State University

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Algorithmic problems in computer and communication systems, computer networks, scheduling, online algorithms.

APPOINTMENTS

2001 – : Professor of computer science, University of Pittsburgh

1995 – 2001: Associate professor of computer science, University of Pittsburgh

1989 – 1995: Assistant professor of computer science, University of Pittsburgh

JOURNAL PAPERS

- M. Sharaf, P. Chrysanthis, A. Labrinidis, and Kirk Pruhs, “Algorithms and metrics for processing multiple heterogeneous continuous queries,” *ACM Transactions on Database Systems*, **33**(1), 2008.
- N. Bansal, T. Kimbrel, and K. Pruhs, “Speed scaling to manage energy and temperature”, *Journal of the ACM*, **54**(1), 2007.
- K. Pruhs, and G.J. Woeginger, “Approximation schemes for a class of subset selection problems”, A special issue of *Theoretical Computer Science* devoted to selected papers from 2004 Conference on Latin American Theoretical Informatics, **382**(2), 151-156, 2007.
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- L. Becchetti, S. Leonardi, A. Marchetti-Spaccamela, K. Pruhs, “Semi-clairvoyant scheduling”, *Theoretical Computer Science*, Special issue on online algorithms, in memory of Steve Seiden, **324**(2-3), 325-335, 2004.
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- B. Kalyanasundaram, and K. Pruhs, “Eliminating migration in multi-processor scheduling”, special issue of *Journal of Algorithms* devoted to selected papers from the 1999 ACM/SIAM Symposium on Discrete Algorithms (SODA), **38**(1), 2 – 24, 2001.
- B. Kalyanasundaram, and K. Pruhs, “Dynamic spectrum allocation: the impotency of duration notification”, special issue of *Journal of Scheduling* devoted to approximation algorithms, **3**(5), 289 – 296, 2000.
- B. Kalyanasundaram, K. Pruhs, and E. Torng, “ Errata: A new algorithm for scheduling periodic, real-time tasks”, *Algorithmica*, **28**(3), 269 – 270, 2000.
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- J. Edmonds, K. Pruhs, and J. Solanki, “Confidently Cutting a Cake into Approximately Fair Pieces”, Conference on Algorithmic Aspects in Information and Management (AAIM), 2008.
- C. Chung, K. Ligett, K. Pruhs, and A. Roth, “The Price of Stochastic Anarchy”, Symposium on Algorithmic Game Theory (SAGT), 303-314, 2008.
- N. Bansal, D. Bunde, H. Chan and K. Pruhs, “Average Rate Speed Scaling”, Latin American Theoretical Informatics Symposium (LATIN), 2008.
- C. Chung, K. Pruhs, and P. Uthaisombut, “The Online Transportation Problem: On the Exponential Boost of One Extra Server”, Latin American Theoretical Informatics Symposium (LATIN), 2008.
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- M. Aly, K. Pruhs, P. Chrysanthis, “KDDCS: a load-balanced in-network data-centric storage scheme for sensor networks”, ACM International Conference on Information and Knowledge Management (CIKM), 317-326, 2006.
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- J. Edmonds and K. Pruhs “Cake cutting isn’t a piece of cake”, ACM/SIAM Symposium on Discrete Algorithms (SODA), 2006.
- N. Bansal, and K. Pruhs, “Speed scaling to manage temperature”, Symposium on Theoretical Aspects of Computer Science (STACS), 460-471, 2005.
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- N. Bansal and K. Pruhs, “Server scheduling in the L_p norm: A rising tide lifts all boats”, *ACM Symposium on Theory of Computing (STOC)*, 2003.
- J. Beaver, W. Li, V. Penkrot, S. Roychowdhury, M. Sharaf, W. Zhang, P. Chrysanthis, K. Pruhs, and V. Liberatore, “An optimized multicast based data dissemination middleware: a demonstration”, *IEEE International Conference on Data Engineering (ICDE)* 2003.
- P. Chrysanthis, K. Pruhs, and V. Liberatore, “Middleware support for multicast-based data dissemination: a working reality”, *IEEE Workshop on Reliable Dependable Systems (WORDS)*, 2003.
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- E. Wiewiora and K. Pruhs “Evaluating the Local Ratio Algorithm for Dynamic Storage Allocation”, *Workshop on Algorithms Engineering and Experiments (ALENEX)*, 2002.
- J. Edmonds, and K. Pruhs “Broadcast scheduling: when fairness is fine”, *ACM/SIAM Symposium on Discrete Algorithms (SODA)*, 2002.
- A. Berfield, B. Simmons, P. Chrysanthis, and K. Pruhs “Better client OFF time predictions using machine learning techniques”, *International Workshop on Web and Data Management (WIDM)*, 2001.
- Luca Becchetti, Stefano Leonardi, Alberto Marchetti-Spaccamella, Kirk Pruhs, “Online weighted flow time and deadline scheduling”, *Workshop on Approximation Algorithms for Combinatorial Optimization Problems (APPROX)*, 2001.
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- B. Kalyanasundaram, and K. Pruhs, “Online weighted matching”, *ACM/SIAM Symposium on Discrete Algorithms (SODA)*, 1991.
- R. Melhem, K. Pruhs, and T. Znati, “Using spanning trees for balancing dynamic load on multiprocessors”, *Distributed Memory Computing Conference*, 1991.
- T. Znati, R. Melhem, and K. Pruhs “Dilation based bidding schemes for dynamic load balancing on distributed processing systems”, *Distributed Memory Computing Conference*, 1991.
- K. Pruhs, and U. Manber, “The complexity of controlled selection,” *EATCS International Colloquium on Automata Languages and Programming (ICALP)*, 1989.
- K. Pruhs, “The computational complexity of some rounding and survey overlap problems,” *Meeting of the Survey Research Methods Section of the American Statistical Association*, 1989.

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- K. Pruhs, J. Sgall, and E. Torng, “Online Scheduling”, in Handbook of Scheduling: Algorithms, Models and Performance Analysis, editor J. Leung, 2004.
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EDUCATIONAL PAPERS

- K. Pruhs, “How to design dynamic programming algorithms sans recursion”, *SIGACT News*, **29**(1), 32 - 35, March 1998.
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RESEARCH GRANTS

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- “Algorithmic support for power aware computing and communication”, National Science Foundation award CCF-0514058 from the Computer and Communication Foundations Program. July 2005 to July 2008.
- “Algorithmic support for temperature aware computing and networking”, National Science Foundation award CCF-0448196 from the Computer and Communication Foundations Program. August 2004 to August 2005.
- “ITR: Secure CITI: A Secure Critical Information Technology Infrastructure for Disaster Management” (with 8 others), National Science Foundation award CNS- 0325353 from the ITR medium program, September 2003 to September 2007.

- “Middleware support for multicast data dissemination”, (with P. Chrysanthis), National Science Foundation award ANIR-0123705 from the Network Centric Middleware Services Program, October 2001 to October 2004.
- “Dynamic spectrum allocation algorithms”, United States Air Force, October 2001 to October 2002.
- “Algorithmic problems in next generation networks”, National Science Foundation award CCR-0098752 from the Theory of Computing Program, July 2001 to July 2004.
- “Dynamic storage allocation”, (with B. Kalyanasundaram), United States Air Force, December 1999 to December 2000.
- “Scheduling protocols for networked multi-media applications”, (with B. Kalyanasundaram), National Science Foundation award CCR-9734927 from the Theory of Computing Program, June 1998 to June 2001.
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EDUCATIONAL GRANTS AND AWARDS

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- NSF Research Experiences for Undergraduates Supplement, (with B. Kalyanasundaram), June 1999 to June 2000.
- NSF Research Experiences for Undergraduates Supplement, June 1994 to June 1995.

Ph.D. STUDENTS SUPERVISED

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- Mohamed Aly, current.

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

- Associate Editor:
 - *ACM Transactions on Algorithms*
 - *INFORMS Journal of Computing*
 - *Journal of Scheduling*
 - *Encyclopedia of Algorithms*

- Program Committee Member
 - 2001 ACM/SIAM Symposium on Discrete Algorithms (SODA)
 - 2001 ACM International Workshop on Data Engineering for Wireless and Mobile Access (MobiDE)
 - 2001 International Workshop on Mobility and Databases and Distributed Systems (MDDS)
 - 2002 International Workshop on Mobility and Databases and Distributed Systems (MDDS)
 - 2003 Workshop on Models and Algorithms for Planning and Scheduling Problems (MAPSP)
 - 2003 Multidisciplinary International Conference on Scheduling : Theory and Applications (MISTA)
 - 2005 ACM/SIAM Symposium on Discrete Algorithms (SODA)
 - 2005 Multidisciplinary International Conference on Scheduling : Theory and Applications (MISTA)
 - 2005 Conference on Algorithm Engineering and Experience (ALENEX)
 - 2005 European Symposium on Algorithms (ESA)
 - 2005 Workshop on Models and Algorithms for Planning and Scheduling Problems (MAPSP)
 - 2005 Workshop on Approximation and Online Algorithms (WAOA)
 - 2006 Colloquium on Structural Information and Communication Complexity (SIROCCO)
 - 2006 Conference on Algorithmic Aspects of Information and Management (AAIM)
 - 2007 Conference on Algorithmic Aspects of Information and Management (AAIM)
 - 2007 European Symposium on Algorithms (ESA)
- Panel Member: NSF Panels in Networking and Theory of Computing
- Guest Editor:
 - Special issue of *Journal of Scheduling* devoted to selected papers from the 2001 Phillips Workshop on Scheduling and Resource Management (SCHARM)
 - Special issue of *Journal of Scheduling* devoted to selected papers from the 2002 ACM/SIAM Symposium on Discrete Algorithms (SODA)
 - Two special issues of *Journal of Scheduling* devoted to online scheduling
 - Special issue of *Journal of Algorithms* devoted selected papers from the 2001 ACM/SIAM Symposium on Discrete Algorithms (SODA)
 - Special issue of *Journal of Scheduling* devoted to papers from the 1999 Phillips Workshop on Scheduling and Resource Management (SCHARM)
- Program Committee Chair: 2007 Workshop on Models and Algorithms for Planning and Scheduling Problems (MAPSP)
- Organizer:
 - 2004 Bertinoro Workshop on Models and Algorithms for Information Networks
 - 2006 Cluster on Online Optimization at International Symposium on Mathematical Programming (ISMP)

- 2007 Dagstuhl Workshop on Fair Division
 - 2008 Dagstuhl Workshop on Scheduling
- Invite Speaker Gigs:
 - 2004 Conference on the Mathematics of Operations Research
 - 2006 NHC Autumn School on Discrete Algorithms
- Referee: Many journals and conferences