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## Education

- 2014–Current **Ph.D. Electrical Engineering**, *University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA)*.
- Advanced to Doctoral Candidacy: May 23, 2016
  - Graduate Student Researcher: Laboratory for Robust Information Systems (LORIS)
  - GPA: 4.0
- 2012–2014 **M.S. Electrical Engineering**, *University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA)*.
- Master's Thesis: *Efficient File Synchronization*
  - Graduate Student Researcher: Laboratory for Robust Information Systems (LORIS)
  - Focus: Communication Systems
- 2007–2012 **B.S. Electrical Engineering**, *University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA)*.
- Minor: Mathematics
  - Senior Design Project: Interactive Speech Recognition
  - Latin Honors: *Cum Laude*

## Honors & Awards

- 2016–2017 Qualcomm Innovation Fellowship Winner  
–\$50000 Fellowship, 2016–2017 Academic Year
- 2016 Best Paper Award: IEEE Workshop on Silicon Errors in Logic – System Effects
- 2015–2016 Qualcomm Innovation Fellowship Finalist
- 2014–2015 Henry Samueli Excellence in Teaching Award  
–Teaching Assistant: Spring 2015 EE132A Introduction to Communication Systems

## Industry Experience

- Jun-Sep 2015 **Space and Naval Warfare Systems Command (SPAWAR)**, *Point Loma, CA*.  
Naval Research Enterprise Internship—Command and Control
- Jun-Sep 2013 **DIRECTV**, *El Segundo, CA*.
- Apr-Sep 2012 Internship—Space and Communications, Video Systems Engineering
- Jun-Nov 2011 **The Aerospace Corporation**, *El Segundo, CA*.
- Jun-Sep 2010 Internship—Communication Systems Engineering Department

## Research Interests

- Coding theoretic methods for next-generation storage systems.
- Statistical algorithms for large-scale data management.

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## Publications and Talks

### Journal Articles

- 2017 1. **C. Schoeny**, A. Wachter-Zeh, R. Gabrys, E. Yaakobi, "Codes correcting a burst of deletions or insertions," *IEEE Transactions on Information Theory* (in press). doi:10.1109/TIT.2017.2661747.
- 2017 2. F. Sala, R. Gabrys **C. Schoeny**, L. Dolecek, "Exact reconstruction from insertions in synchronization codes," *IEEE Transactions on Information Theory* (in press). doi:10.1109/TIT.2017.2649493.
- 2017 3. F. Sala, **C. Schoeny**, S. Kabir, D. Divsalar, L. Dolecek, "On nonuniform noisy decoding for LDPC codes with application to radiation-induced errors," *IEEE Transactions on Communications* (in press). doi:10.1109/TCOMM.2017.2657759.
- 2016 4. F. Sala, **C. Schoeny**, N. Bitouze, L. Dolecek, "Synchronizing files under a large number of edits," *IEEE Transactions on Communications*, vol. 64, no. 6, pp. 2258 - 2273, Jun. 2016.

### Conference Publications

- 2016 5. F. Sala, **C. Schoeny**, S. Kabir, D. Divsalar, L. Dolecek\*, "Flash memories in high radiation environments: LDPC decoder study," in *Proc. IEEE Asilomar Conference on Signals, Systems, and Computers*, Pacific Grove, CA, Nov. 2016.
- 2016 6. A. Reiszadehmobarakeh, **C. Schoeny**, C.-Y. Tsai, L. Dolecek\*, "Approximate file synchronization: upper bounds and interactive algorithms," in *Proc. IEEE Inf. Theory Workshop (ITW)*, Cambridge, UK, Sep. 2016.
- 2016 7. **C. Schoeny\***, A. Wachter-Zeh, R. Gabrys, E. Yaakobi, "Codes correcting a burst of deletions or insertions," in *Proc. IEEE Int. Symp. Inf. Theory (ISIT)*, Barcelona, Spain Jul. 2016.
- 2016 8. A. Hareedy\*, C. Lanka, **C. Schoeny**, L. Dolecek, "The weight consistency matrix framework for general non-binary LDPC code optimization: applications in Flash memories," in *Proc. IEEE Int. Symp. Inf. Theory (ISIT)*, Barcelona, Spain Jul. 2016.
- 2016 9. F. Sala\*, R. Gabrys, **C. Schoeny**, K. Mazooji, L. Dolecek, "Exact sequence reconstruction for insertion-correcting codes," in *Proc. IEEE Int. Symp. Inf. Theory (ISIT)*, Barcelona, Spain Jul. 2016.
- 2016 10. M. Gottscho\*, **C. Schoeny**, L. Dolecek, P. Gupta, "Software-Defined error-correcting codes," in *Proc IEEE/IFIP Int. Conf. on Dependable Systems and Networks (DSN)*, Toulouse, France, Jun.-Jul. 2016.
- 2016 11. P. Schläfer\*, C. Huang, **C. Schoeny**, C. Weis, Y. Li, N. Wehn, L. Dolecek, "Error resilience and energy efficiency: an LDPC decoder design study," in *Proc. IEEE Design, Automation & Test in Europe (DATE)*, Dresden, Germany, Mar. 2016.
- 2015 12. F. Sala\*, **C. Schoeny**, D. Divsalar, L. Dolecek, "Asymmetric ECCs for Flash in high-radiation environments," in *Proc. IEEE Asilomar Conference on Signals, Systems, and Computers*, Pacific Grove, CA, Nov. 2015.

- 2015 13. **C. Schoeny\***, F. Sala, L. Dolecek, "Analysis and coding schemes for the Flash normal-Laplace mixture channel," in *Proc. IEEE Int. Symp. Inf. Theory (ISIT)*, Hong Kong, Jun. 2015.
- 2015 14. F. Sala\*, **C. Schoeny**, D. Divsalar, L. Dolecek, "Asymmetric error-correcting codes for Flash memories in high-radiation environments," in *Proc. IEEE Int. Symp. Inf. Theory (ISIT)*, Hong Kong, Jun. 2015.
- 2015 15. F. Sala\*, R. Gabrys, **C. Schoeny**, L. Dolecek, "Three novel combinatorial theorems for the insertion/deletion channel," in *Proc. IEEE Int. Symp. Inf. Theory (ISIT)*, Hong Kong, Jun. 2015.
- 2014 16. **C. Schoeny\***, N. Bitouze, F. Sala, L. Dolecek, "Efficient File Synchronization: Extensions and Simulations," in *Proc. IEEE Asilomar Conference on Signals, Systems, and Computers*, Pacific Grove, CA, Nov. 2014.

#### Book Chapters

- 2016 17. F. Sala, **C. Schoeny**, L. Dolecek, "Advanced algebraic and graph-based ECC schemes for Flash memories," in *3D Flash Memories*, Rino Micheloni, Ed. Springer, 2016, pp. 321 – 348.

#### Workshop Talks

- 2016 18. F. Sala, **C. Schoeny**, L. Dolecek\*, "Approximate and noisy computing: connections to the information-theory world," *Workshop on Approximate Computing Across the Stack (WAX)*, Atlanta, GA, Apr. 2016.
- 2016 19. M. Gottscho\*, **C. Schoeny**, L. Dolecek, P. Gupta, "Software-Defined error-correcting codes," *IEEE Workshop on Silicon Errors in Logic - System Effects (SELSE)*, Austin, TX, Mar. 2016 (Best paper award).
- 2016 20. F. Sala, **C. Schoeny\***, D. Divsalar, L. Dolecek, "Error-Correcting codes for radiation-induced error patterns in Flash memories," *Non-Volatile Memories Workshop (NVMW)*, San Diego, CA, Mar. 2016.
- 2016 21. **C. Schoeny\***, M. Gottscho\*, "Software-Defined Error-Correcting Codes," *Qualcomm Innovation Fellowship Finalists Presentation*, San Diego, CA, Mar. 2016.
- 2016 22. **C. Schoeny\***, F. Sala, L. Dolecek, "Coding for the limited permutation channel," *UCLA Electrical Engineering Annual Research Review (ARR)*, Los Angeles, CA, Feb. 2016.
- 2015 23. **C. Schoeny\***, F. Sala\*, "Coding techniques for next-generation 3-D Flash memories," *Qualcomm Innovation Fellowship Finalists Presentation*, San Diego, CA, Mar. 2015.
- 2015 24. **C. Schoeny\***, B. Amiri, A. Hareedy, L. Dolecek, "Quasi-Cyclic non-binary LDPC codes for MLC NAND Flash memory," *Non-Volatile Memories Workshop (NVMW)*, San Diego, CA, Mar. 2015.

## Poster Presentations

- 2016 25. D. Divsalar, L. Dolecek, M. Cheng, F. Sala, **C. Schoeny**, S. Kabir, "Breaking the limitations of radiation-hardened devices," *JPL Research Poster Conference*, Pasadena, CA, Nov. 2016.
- 2015 26. **C. Schoeny**, N. Bitouze, F. Sala, L. Dolecek, "Synchronizing files under a large number of edits," *UCLA Electrical Engineering Annual Research Review (ARR)*, Los Angeles, CA, Feb. 2015.
- 2014 27. **C. Schoeny**, L. Dolecek, "Non-Binary LDPC codes for MLC NAND Flash memory", *Flash Memory Summit*, San Jose, CA, Aug. 2014.

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## Professional Services – Peer-Reviewer

- 2016–2017 IEEE Transactions on Information Theory  
2016–2017 IEEE International Symposium on Information Theory (ISIT)  
2015–2017 IEEE Transactions on Communications

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## Computer skills

- Adept C++, MATLAB, LaTeX, Excel  
Experienced C, R, Python, UNIX, Visio

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## Leadership and Activities

- HKN Workshop Chair, Mentorship Chair, Senior Advisor  
Membership IEEE, Engineering Society of UCLA  
Tutoring Math, Physics, Engineering  
Martial Arts Muay Thai, Tae Kwon Do, Capoeira, Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu

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## Relevant Courses

### Electrical Engineering

Information Theory  
Channel Coding Theory  
Graphs and Network Flows  
Inference on Graphs  
Telecommunication Networks  
Logic Design of Digital Systems  
Digital Signal Processing  
Digital Communication Systems  
Principles of Feedback Control  
Modern Data Storage Systems

### Mathematics

Probability Theory  
Stochastic Processes  
Game Theory  
Statistics  
Linear Algebra  
Multivariable Calculus  
Linear Programming  
Complex Analysis  
Matrix Analysis  
Applied Numerical Computing