

## CURRICULUM VITAE

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### EDUCATION

- PhD student at University of Bucharest, Department of Philosophy - Philosophy of Science, the terminal year, with a doctoral thesis in the field of epistemology of mathematical modeling and the philosophical problems of the applicability of mathematics in sciences. The title of the doctoral thesis is *The Structural Alternatives and Metatheoretical Aspects of the Resolving of the Problem of Applicability of Mathematics in Sciences*, under the coordination of Professor Ilie Pârvu.
- MSc in Probability & Mathematical Statistics, from University of Bucharest, Mathematics Department, September 1992.
- BA in Pure Mathematics, from University of Bucharest, Mathematics Department, with emphasis on Probability & Mathematical Statistics, University of Bucharest, attended between 1987 – 1991;
- "Frații Buzești" High School, Mathematics & Physics profile, Craiova, attended between 1982 – 1986.

### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE AT LARGE

- Independent researcher in Applied Mathematics, Problem Gambling and Philosophy of Science
- Editor-in-chief of the website <http://probability.infarom.ro> , dedicated to probability theory and its applications 2006 – 2017.
- Consultant on the mathematical aspects of the games for various gaming companies and individuals, on a freelance basis, 2004 – 2013.
- Leader of a private research group in Applied Mathematics, reviewer and editor at Infarom Publishing Company, Division of Applied Mathematics, 2001 – at present.
- Mathematics instructor at secondary schools in Bucharest and Craiova between 1991 - 1996.

### MEMBERSHIPS

- MAA (*Mathematical Association of America*), 2007 - 2012.
- SIAM (*Society for Industrial and Applied Mathematics*), since 2005.
- BSPS (*British Society for the Philosophy of Science*), 2010 - 2016.
- RASG (*Romanian Association for the Study of Gambling*), since 2013

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

### Mathematics

Applied Mathematics – Probability & Statistics – Gaming mathematics  
Probability & Statistics – Interpretations of probability  
Mathematical Modeling  
Topology

### Philosophy

Epistemology  
Philosophy of mathematics – Applicability of Mathematics, Epistemology of Mathematics, Foundations of Mathematics  
Philosophy of language – Formal semantics, Wittgenstein, Language and thought  
Philosophy of mind

### Problem Gambling

Cognitive therapies - Contribution of mathematics and philosophy of mathematics in problem gambling prevention and treatment

My orientation is interdisciplinary and I strongly believe in interdisciplinarity as a methodological necessity of the approach of the sensible and/or unsolved issues of the research, especially in analytical philosophy.

## PUBLICATIONS

**Books** (published in English, Spanish, and Romanian; forthcoming in French):

*The Mathematics of Slots: Configurations, Combinations, Probabilities* (2013), ISBN 9789731991405

*Texas Hold'em Odds for Your Strategy, with Probability-Based Hand Analyses* (2011), ISBN 9789731991344

*The Mathematics of Lottery: Odds, Combinations, Systems* (2009), ISBN 9789731991115

*Mathematics Problems with Separate Progressive Solutions: Hints, Algorithms, Proofs. Volume 1 - Intermediate and College Algebra* (2008) (co-author), ISBN 9789738866294

*Roulette Odds and Profits: The Mathematics of Complex Bets* (2007), ISBN 9789738752078

*Draw Poker Odds: The Mathematics of Classical Poker* (2007), ISBN 9789738752054

*Probability Guide to Gambling: The Mathematics of Dice, Slots, Roulette, Baccarat, Blackjack, Poker, Lottery, and Sport Bets* (2006), ISBN 9789738752030

*Understanding and Calculating the Odds: Probability Theory Basics and Calculus Guide for Beginners, with Applications in Games of Chance and Everyday Life* (2006), ISBN 9789738752016

*Texas Hold'em Odds* (2004), ISBN 9730036896

Most of these books are listed in the official bibliography of the students of *Institute for the Study of Gambling, University of Nevada*.

### Peer-reviewed articles:

- 2017. *Wigner's Puzzle on Applicability of Mathematics: On what Table to Assemble It?* Journal for General Philosophy of Science, accepted, forthcoming.

- 2016. *The Current Epistemic Status of the Indispensability Arguments in the Philosophy of Science*. *Analele Universității din Craiova – Seria Filosofie*, 36(2): 108-132.

- 2015. *Mathematical Models of Games of Chance: Epistemological Taxonomy and Potential in Problem-Gambling Research*. UNLV Gaming Research & Review Journal, 19(1).
- 2015. *The “Unreasonable” Effectiveness of Mathematics: The Foundational Approach of Theoretical Alternatives*. Revista de Filosofie, 62(1): 58-71
- 2014. *Circularities in the Contemporary Philosophical Accounts of the Applicability of Mathematics in the Physical Universe*. Revista de Filosofie, 61(5): 517-542.
- 2014. *Is the secrecy of the parametric configuration of slot machines rationally justified? The exposure of the mathematical facts of games of chance as an ethical obligation*. Journal of Gambling Issues, Vol.29: 1-23.
- 2013. *Mathematician's call for interdisciplinary research effort*. International Gambling Studies 13(3): 430-433.
- 2013. *The mathematical facts of games of chance between exposure, teaching, and contribution to cognitive therapies: principles of an optimal mathematical intervention for responsible gambling*. Romanian Journal of Experimental Applied Psychology, 4(3): 25-40.
- 2013. *Revealing Slots Secrets: Generating a PAR Sheet Through Statistical Methods*. Slot tech, May 2013: 4-10.
- 2011. *Problem 11589: Where are the zeros?* The American Mathematical Monthly, 118(7): 653.
- 2008. *Problem 11402: Square on a Graph*. The American Mathematical Monthly. 115(10): 949.
- Various proposed mathematics problems in Gazeta Matematică, between 1983 – 1993.

Several other applied mathematics-related articles in technical and non-peer reviewed publications.