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## Curriculum Vitae



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English	<b>Full Proficiency</b>	●●●●●
French	<b>Modest</b> (CEFR Level B1)	●●●●●

## SUMMARY

I hold a **PhD in Physics** (*Heidelberg Univ.*, 2018), specializing in **string theory** and **mathematics**. My research is inspired by **computational analysis** of **massless spectra in string vacua**, resulting in publications on **toric geometry**, **Freyd categories**, **Brill-Noether theory**, and **root bundles**. Proficient in *julia*, *C++*, and *python*, I excel in **open-source software development** (*git*) to advance **computational research**. My diverse expertise emphasizes my interdisciplinary commitment. With a history of **international collaborations**, full **English proficiency**, and extensive **teaching experience**, I showcase a versatile skill set.

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

CURRENT, FROM 10/2022 (FT)

Mathematics Dept., RPTU Kaiserslautern-Landau, GER  
**Research Associate**

I enhance the toric geometry capabilities and develop advanced algebraic geometry tools for string theory geometries within the OSCAR computer algebra system ([oscar-system.org](https://oscar-system.org)). Funded by the *SFB-TRR 195 – Symbolic Tools in Mathematics and their Application* and the *Forschungsinitiative des Landes Rheinland-Pfalz*, I added/modified 160,000+ lines of code.

09/2021 – 08/2022 (FT)

Dept. of Phys. & Astron., University of Pennsylvania, USA  
**Simons Postdoctoral Fellow**

Continuation of *Simons Foundation* project, detailed below.

09/2020 – 08/2021 (FT)

Dept. of Mathematics, University of Pennsylvania, USA  
**Simons Postdoctoral Fellow**

Work with M. Cvetič and R. Donagi on root bundles and the F-theory QSMs (funded by the *Simons Foundation*).

10/2019 – 09/2020 (FT)

Mathematical Institute, University of Oxford, UK  
**Long Term Visitor**

Continuation of *Wiener-Anspach* project initiated at PTM, Brussels.

10/2018 – 09/2019 (FT)

PTM, Université Libre de Bruxelles, BE  
**Postdoctoral Researcher**

M/F-Theory: Engineering Of Super Conformal Field Theories (funded by the *Foundation Wiener-Anspach*).

ITP, Heidelberg University, GER  
*Research Associate*

AI-tools meet jumps in vector-like spectra (preparation of *Cluster of Excellence EXC 2181 STRUCTURES*).

EDUCATION

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- 03/2014 – 02/2018 **PhD in Physics (Grade: Magna Cum Laude)**  
ADVISOR: PROF. T. WEIGAND (PHYSICS) & PROF. M. BARAKAT (MATHEMATICS)  
*Heidelberg University, GER*
- 09/2012 – 02/2014 **Master of Physics (Grade: 1.0)**  
ADVISOR: PROF. T. WEIGAND  
*Heidelberg University, GER*
- 10/2010 – 06/2011 **ERASMUS exchange student**  
*Imperial College, London*
- 10/2008 – 08/2012 **Bachelor of Physics (Grade: 1.1)**  
ADVISOR: PROF. T. WEIGAND  
*Heidelberg University, GER*

SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS

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- 04/2024 – CURRENT **TU-Nachwuchsring**  
Status: M. Mikelsons (B.Sc. Mathematics) hired as research assistant.  
Goal: Enhance the OSCAR computer algebra system ([oscar-system.org](https://oscar-system.org)),  
focusing on the **FTheoryTools** module, and utilize it for research.
- 01/2010 – 02/2018 **Studienstiftung des deutschen Volkes**  
2015: Awarded PhD scholarship.  
2010: Awarded Bachelor and Master scholarship.
- 10/2010 – 06/2011 **ERASMUS scholarship**

SERVICES

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- 07/2024 Organizer of session at conference *ICMS 2024* (together with M. Zach & L. Kastner).
- 02/2024 Studienstiftung des deutschen Volkes: Member of the admission board (virtual event).
- FALL 2023 & 2024 Expert at *European Commission* for assessment of research proposals.
- SINCE 2021 10+ letters of recommendation.
- 06/2018 Studienstiftung des deutschen Volkes: Member of the admission board *Heidelberg*.
- 12/2017 Studienstiftung des deutschen Volkes: Member of the admission board *Ellwangen III*.
- 11/2016 Studienstiftung des deutschen Volkes: Member of the admission board *Heidelberg*.

# PUBLICATIONS

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ORCID	0000-0002-9609-1693
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H-INDEX	5 (Based on peer-reviewed works, only.)
TOTAL PUBLICATIONS	16
PEER REVIEWED/ACCEPTED	9
UNDER REVIEW	0
OUTREACH	3
UNPUBLISHED	1
THESIS	3
JOURNALS	Journal of High Energy Physics (5) Journal of Algebra and Its Applications (1) Physical Review D (1) Proceedings of Symposia in Pure Mathematics (AMS) (1) Communications In Mathematical Physics (1)

## Peer Reviewed Publications

- 1 **M. Bies**, M. Cvetič, R. Donagi, M. Ong, *Improved Statistics for F-theory Standard Models*, *Communications in Mathematical Physics*, Nov. 2024, DOI: [10.1007/s00220-024-05148-7](https://doi.org/10.1007/s00220-024-05148-7).
- 2 **M. Bies**, *Root bundles: Applications to F-theory Standard Models*, in *String-Math 2022*, R. Donagi, A. Langer, P. Sułkowski, and K. Wendland, eds., Proceedings of Symposia in Pure Mathematics, vol. 107, American Mathematical Society, 2024, pp. 17–43. ISBN: 978-1-4704-7240-5. DOI: [10.1090/pspum/107](https://doi.org/10.1090/pspum/107). (A preprint is available at [arXiv:2303.08144](https://arxiv.org/abs/2303.08144).)
- 3 **M. Bies**, M. Cvetič, R. Donagi, M. Ong, *Brill-Noether-general Limit Root Bundles: Absence of vector-like Exotics in F-theory Standard Models*, *Journal of High Energy Physics*, Nov. 2022, DOI: [10.1007/JHEP11\(2022\)004](https://doi.org/10.1007/JHEP11(2022)004).
- 4 **M. Bies**, M. Cvetič, M. Liu, *Statistics of Root Bundles Relevant for Exact Matter Spectra of F-theory MSSMs*, *Physical Review D*, Sept. 2021, DOI: [10.1103/PhysRevD.104.L061903](https://doi.org/10.1103/PhysRevD.104.L061903).
- 5 **M. Bies**, M. Cvetič, R. Donagi, M. Liu, M. Ong, *Root Bundles and Towards Exact Matter Spectra of F-theory MSSMs*, *Journal of High Energy Physics*, Sept. 2021, DOI: [10.1007/JHEP09\(2021\)076](https://doi.org/10.1007/JHEP09(2021)076).
- 6 **M. Bies**, S. Posur, *Tensor Products of Finitely Presented Functors*, *Journal of Algebra and Its Applications*, July. 2021, DOI: [10.1142/S0219498822501869](https://doi.org/10.1142/S0219498822501869).
- 7 **M. Bies**, M. Cvetič, R. Donagi, L. Ling, M. Liu, F. Ruehle, *Machine Learning and Algebraic Approaches towards Complete Matter Spectra in 4d F-theory*, *Journal of High Energy Physics*, Jan. 2021, DOI: [10.1007/JHEP01\(2021\)196](https://doi.org/10.1007/JHEP01(2021)196).
- 8 **M. Bies**, C. Mayrhofer, T. Weigand, *Algebraic Cycles and Local Anomalies in F-theory*, *Journal of High Energy Physics*, Nov. 2017, DOI: [10.1007/jhep11\(2017\)100](https://doi.org/10.1007/jhep11(2017)100).
- 9 **M. Bies**, C. Mayrhofer, T. Weigand, *Gauge Backgrounds and Zero-Mode Counting in F-theory*, *Journal of High Energy Physics*, Nov. 2017, DOI: [10.1007/jhep11\(2017\)081](https://doi.org/10.1007/jhep11(2017)081).

## Outreach

- 10 **M. Bies**, A. P. Turner, *F-Theory Applications*, in *The Computer Algebra System OSCAR: Algorithms and Examples*, W. Decker, C. Eder, C. Fieker, M. Horn, and M. Joswig, eds., Algorithms and Computation in Mathematics, vol. 32, Springer, 1st ed., to appear by end of 2024, pp. 453–475. ISSN: 1431-1550.
- 11 **M. Bies**, L. Kastner, *Toric Geometry*, in *The Computer Algebra System OSCAR: Algorithms and Examples*, W. Decker, C. Eder, C. Fieker, M. Horn, and M. Joswig, eds., Algorithms and Computation in Mathematics, vol. 32, Springer, 1st ed., to appear by end of 2024, pp. 193–213. ISSN: 1431-1550.
- 12 **M. Bies**, L. Kastner, *Toric Geometry in OSCAR*, *ComputerAlgebraRundbrief* 72 (03/2023), 20-25, Mar. 2023, Preprint: <https://arxiv.org/abs/2303.08110>.

## Unpublished Works

- 13 **M. Bies**, C. Mayrhofer, C. Pehle, T. Weigand, *Chow Groups, Deligne Cohomology and Massless Matter in F-theory*, Feb. 2014, <https://arxiv.org/abs/1402.5144>.

## Thesis

- 14 **M. Bies**, *Cohomologies of Coherent Sheaves and Massless Spectra in F-theory*, PhD thesis, Heidelberg university, Feb. 2018, [Heidelberg University Library](#), available at DOI: 10.11588/HEIDOK.00024045.
- 15 **M. Bies**, *Cohomologies of holomorphic line bundles in smooth and compact normal toric varieties*, M.Sc. thesis, Heidelberg university, February 2014, [available on author's academic homepage](#).
- 16 **M. Bies**, *Intersecting D6-brane models on  $T^2 \times T^2 \times T^2 / (\sigma \times \Omega)$  and  $T^2 \times T^2 \times T^2 / (\mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \sigma \times \Omega)$  orientifolds*, B.Sc. thesis, Heidelberg university, August 2012, [available on author's academic homepage](#).

## TEACHING RECORD

### *Autonomous Instruction of Lecture Courses*

Period	Title	University	Students	Weekly Teaching	Evaluation
04/2024 – 07/2024	<i>Introduction to Topology</i>	<i>RPTU KL-LD, GER</i>	5	1 × 1.5 hours	Insufficient data due to sharp drop in RPTU KL-LD student numbers.
01/2022 – 05/2022	<i>Computational Linear Algebra</i>	<i>University Of Pennsylvania, USA</i>	29	2 × 1.5 hours	2.12
01/2021 – 05/2021	<i>Computational Linear Algebra</i>	<i>University Of Pennsylvania, USA</i>	57	2 × 1.5 hours	2.04

Scale: Poor (0), Fair (1), Good (2), Very good (3), Excellent (4).

### *Senior Teaching Assistant*

Period	Title	University	Students	Weekly Teaching
10/2023 – current	<i>Algebraic Geometry</i>	<i>RPTU KL-LD, GER</i>	6	1 × 1.5 hours
04/2018 – 10/2018	<i>Methods of Math. Phys.</i>	<i>Heidelberg University, GER</i>	51	1 × 1.5 hours
04/2016 – 09/2016	<i>General Relativity</i>	<i>Heidelberg University, GER</i>	132	1 × 1.5 hours

### *Teaching Assistant*

Period	Title	University	Weekly Teaching
10/2016 – 03/2017	<i>Theoretical Physics I</i>	<i>Heidelberg University, GER</i>	1 × 1.5 hours
04/2015 – 09/2015	<i>Theoretical Physics IV</i>	<i>Heidelberg University, GER</i>	1 × 1.5 hours
10/2014 – 03/2015	<i>Quantum Field Theory</i>	<i>Heidelberg University, GER</i>	1 × 1.5 hours
10/2013 – 03/2014	<i>Theoretical Physics III</i>	<i>Heidelberg University, GER</i>	1 × 1.5 hours
04/2013 – 09/2013	<i>Theoretical Physics II</i>	<i>Heidelberg University, GER</i>	1 × 1.5 hours
10/2012 – 03/2013	<i>Theoretical Physics I</i>	<i>Heidelberg University, GER</i>	1 × 1.5 hours

## TALKS, POSTERS, CONFERENCES

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### **Organizer of Conference (1)**

07/2024 Session at ICMS 2024 (Durham, UK)

### **Invited Talks (8)**

- 07/2023 *Third Annual Meeting 2023 of SFB-TRR 195* (Saarbruecken, GER)  
Title: *F-Theory: Exemplifying OSCAR's Pursuit for Multidisciplinary Excellence*
- 05/2023 *Oberseminar algebraische Geometrie* (Saarbruecken, GER)  
Title: *F-Theory and Singular Elliptic Fibrations*
- 10/2020 Philadelphia, USA  
Title: *Machine Learning and Algebraic Approaches towards Complete Matter Spectra in 4d F-theory*
- 06/2020 *Summer Series on String Phenomenology (Virtual)*  
Title: *On Stratification Diagrams, Algorithmic Spectrum Estimates and Vector-Like Pairs in F-theory*
- 12/2019 Philadelphia, USA  
Title: *From F-theory Standard Models to Freyd Categories and back*
- 10/2018 Brussels, BE  
Title: *Counting Massless Matter in F-theory with CAP*
- 08/2018 *CAP\_days 2018* (Siegen, GER)  
Title: *CAP, Machine Learning and String Theory*
- 07/2014 Aachen, GER  
Title: *The Standard Model from String Theory*

### **Other Talks at Conferences, Workshops etc. (15)**

- 06/2024 *StringPheno 2024* (Pardova, IT)  
Title: *Efficiency in F-Theory: FTheoryTools*
- 07/2023 *StringMath 2023* (Melbourne, AU)  
Title: *Root bundles: Applications to F-theory Standard Models*
- 07/2023 *StringPheno 2023* (Daejeon, KR)  
Title: *Root bundles: Applications to F-theory Standard Models*
- 05/2023 *Computeralgebra Tagung 2023* (Hannover, GER)  
Title: *F-Theory Tools: String theory Applications of OSCAR*
- 07/2022 *String Math 2022* (Warsaw, PL)  
Title: *Towards F-theory MSSMs*
- 07/2022 *String Pheno 2022* (Liverpool, UK)  
Title: *Towards F-theory MSSMs*
- 09/2021 *Summer Series on String Phenomenology (virtual meeting)*  
Title: *Root Bundles and Towards Exact Matter Spectra of F-theory MSSMs*
- 12/2020 *String Data 2020* (virtual conference)  
Title: *Vector-like spectra in F-theory* (joined with M. Liu)
- 08/2019 *Gap Singular Meeting and School* (Lambrecht, GER)  
Title: *Monoidal Structures in Freyd Categories*
- 05/2018 *Seminar on Holography and Large-N duality* (Heidelberg, GER)

- Title: *Conformal Invariants; Fefferman–Graham Expansion; Graham–Lee Theorem* (with M. Zikidis)
- 07/2017 *String Pheno 2017* (Virginia, USA)  
Title: *Zero Mode Counting in F-Theory via CAP*
- 08/2014 *GAP Days* (Aachen, GER)  
Title: *String Theory, Sheaf Cohomology and the homalg Package*
- 05/2014 Seminar Series *What is?* (Heidelberg, GER)  
Title: *What is a Fermion/Boson (in Quantum Mechanics)?*
- 02/2014 Heidelberg, GER  
Title: *Cohomology of Holomorphic Pullback Line Bundles on Smooth, Compact Normal Toric Varieties*
- 05/2012 Heidelberg, GER  
Title: *Intersecting D6-Brane Models*

### **Posters at Conferences, Workshops etc. (2)**

- 07/2023 *StringMath 2023* (Melbourne, AU)  
Title: *FTheoryTools – A Computer Tool for Singular Elliptic Fibrations*
- 09/2019 *Strings and Geometry* (Oxford, UK)  
Title: *Tensor Products of Finitely Presented Functors*

### **Conferences attended without Talk or Poster Contribution (17)**

- 07/2022 *Strings 2022* (Vienna, AT)
- 06/2022 Simons Collab.: *Geometry, Topology and Singular Special Holonomy Spaces* (Freiburg, GER)
- 11/2021 Simons Collab. (Homological Mirror Symmetry) *Annual Meeting* (New York, USA)
- 09/2021 Simons Collab.: *Progress and Open Problems* (Stony Brook, USA)
- 09/2021 Simons Collab. (Special Holonomy in Geometry, Analysis, Phys.) *Annual Meeting* (New York, USA)
- 07/2021 *String Pheno 2021* (virtual conference)
- 06/2021 *Strings 2021* (virtual conference)
- 06/2021 *String Math 2021* (virtual conference)
- 06/2020 *String Pheno 2020* (virtual conference)
- 07/2019 *Strings 2019* (Brussels, BE)
- 03/2018 *String Data 2018* (Munich, GER)
- 12/2015 *String Math 2015* (Sanya, CN)
- 09/2015 *Third GAP Days* (Trondheim, NO)
- 03/2015 *Second GAP Days* (Aachen, GER)
- 02/2015 *Physics and Geometry of F-Theory* (Munich, GER)
- 12/2014 *Homological Perturbation Theory* (Galway, IE)
- 02/2014 *Geometry and Physics of String Compactifications* (Heidelberg, GER)

## OTHER TRAININGS

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- 03/2024 Moderation of meetings and project discussions (Kaiserslautern, GER).  
Offered by: *TU Nachwuchsring*
- 05/2018 Kontaktseminar – Schwerpunkt Banken und Beratung (Bonn, GER)  
Offered by: *Studienstiftung des deutschen Volkes*
- 05/2018 Physiker im Beruf (Bad Honnef, GER)  
Offered by: *Deutsche Physikalische Gesellschaft (DPG)*
- 05/2017 Training for admission board members (Frankfurt, GER)  
Offered by: *Studienstiftung des deutschen Volkes*

## REFERENCES

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### **Prof. Dr. Mirjam Cvetič**

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