Paul Breiding | Curriculum Vitae

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Head of Emmy Noether Research Group
Numerical and Probabilistic Nonlinear Algebra *04/2021 – 03/2027*

University of Kassel
Substitute Professor for Computeralgebra *11/2020 – 03/2021*

Akademie der Wissenschaften und der Literatur Mainz
Member of the Junge Akademie *04/2020 – 03/2024*

Parental leave
7 months in total *10/2019 – 11/2019 and 04/2020 – 10/2020*

Technische Universität Berlin
Postdoc in the algorithmic algebra research group *04/2019 – 10/2020*

Max-Plack-Institute for Mathematics in the Sciences Leipzig
Postdoc in the nonlinear algebra research group *10/2017 – 03/2019*

Technische Universität Berlin
PhD student with Prof. Dr. Bürgisser *12/2013 – 09/2017*
Date of thesis defense: July 25, 2017. Evaluation 'summa cum laude'.

Simons Institute for the Theory of Computing
Visiting graduate student *08/2014 – 10/2014*
Algorithms and Complexity in Algebraic Geometry

Education

Georg-August-Universität Göttingen
Master of Science *10/2011 – 11/2013*
Evaluation: excellent.

Universidad de Sevilla
Undergraduate studies, part of the Erasmus exchange program *02/2011 – 09/2011*

Georg-August Universität Göttingen
Bachelor of Science *10/2008 – 09/2011*

Languages

German: *fluent, native*

English: *fluent*

Grants

Emmy Noether Research Group Grant **Granted by the Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft**
Project title: Numerical and Probabilistic Nonlinear Algebra *2020*
Total amount: 1.285.100 €

Publications

Journal articles

[1] C. Beltrán, P. Breiding, and N. Vannieuwenhoven. Pencil-based algorithms for tensor rank decomposition are not stable. *SIAM J. Matrix Anal. and Appl. 40(2), 739–773 (2019).*

[2] P. Breiding. An algebraic geometry perspective on topological data analysis. *SIAM News 53(1) (2020).*

[3] P. Breiding. The expected number of eigenvalues of a real gaussian tensor. *SIAM J. Appl. Algebra Geometry, 1(1), 254–271 (2017).*

[4] P. Breiding. How many eigenvalues of a random symmetric tensor are real? *Trans. Amer. Math. Soc. 372, 7857–7887 (2019).*

[5] P. Breiding and P. Bürgisser. Distribution of the eigenvalues of a random system of homogeneous polynomials. *Linear Algebra and its Applications, 497, 88–107 (2016).*

[6] P. Breiding, H. Keneshlou, and A. Lerario. Quantitative singularity theory for random polynomials. *International Mathematical Research Notices (2020).*

[7] P. Breiding, K. Kozhasov, and A. Lerario. On the geometry of the set of symmetric matrices with repeated eigenvalues. *Arnold Math J. 1(4), 423–443 (2018).*

[8] P. Breiding, K. Kozhasov, and A. Lerario. Random spectrahedra. *SIAM J. Optim. 29(4), 2608–2624 (2019).*

[9] P. Breiding and O. Marigliano. Random points on an algebraic manifold. *SIAM J. Mathematics of Data Science 2(3), 683–704 (2020).*

[10] P. Breiding, B. Sturmfels, S. Kalisnik Verovsek, and M. Weinstein. Learning algebraic varieties from samples. *Revista Matemática Complutense, 31, 545–593 (2018).*

[11] P. Breiding, B. Sturmfels, and S. Timme. 3264 conics in a second. *Not. Amer. Math. Soc. 67, 30–37 (2020). Article is featured on the title page.*

[12] P. Breiding and N. Vannieuwenhoven. The condition number of join decompositions. *SIAM J. Matrix Anal. and Appl., 39(1), 287–309 (2018).*

[13] P. Breiding and N. Vannieuwenhoven. The condition number of Riemannian approximation problems. *SIAM J. Optim., to appear.*

[14] P. Breiding and N. Vannieuwenhoven. Convergence analysis of Riemannian Gauss-Newton methods and its connection with the geometric condition number. *Applied Mathematics Letters, 78 , 42–50 (2018).*

[15] P. Breiding and N. Vannieuwenhoven. On the average condition number of tensor rank decompositions. *IMA J. Num. Anal. (2019).*

[16] P. Breiding and N. Vannieuwenhoven. A Riemannian trust region method for the canonical tensor rank approximation problem. *SIAM J. Optim., 28, 2435-2465 (2018).*

Preprints

[17] C. Beltrán, P. Breiding, and N. Vannieuwenhoven. The average condition number of most tensor rank decomposition problems is infinite. *arXiv1903.05527.*

[18] P. Breiding. An efficient randomized homotopy method to approximate eigenpairs of tensors. *arXiv1512.03284.*

[19] P. Breiding, C. Ikenmeyer, R. Hodges, and M. Michalek. Equations for gl invariant families of polynomials. *Preprint available at* `http://pcwww.liv.ac.uk/~iken/GL-paper/GL-paper.pdf`.

[20] P. Breiding, K. Rose, and S. Timme. Certifying zeros of polynomial systems using interval arithmetic. *arXiv:2011.05000.*

[21] P. Breiding, F. Sottile, and J. Woodcock. Euclidean distance degree and mixed volume. *arXiv:2012.06350.*

Book projects

[22] P. Breiding and A. Lerario. *Lectures on Random Algebraic Geometry.* Unpublished work in progress. Available at https://pbrdng.github.io/rag.html.

Software projects

[23] P. Breiding and S. Timme. Homotopycontinuation.jl: A package for homotopy continuation in Julia. juliahomotopycontinuation.org. github.com/JuliaHomotopyContinuation. Open Source software.

HomotopyContinuation.jl

Websites

[24] P. Breiding, B. Sturmfels, and S. Timme. juliahomotopycontinuation.org/do-it-yourself/. A website, where the user can compute and plot the conics which are tangent to their 5 own conics.

Theses

[25] P. Breiding. Zyklotomische Körper und die Fermat–Gleichung zum Exponent p^2., 2011. Grade: 1.0. First supervisor: Preda Mihailescu. Second supervisor: Maarten Solleveld.

[26] P. Breiding. On a p-adic newton method. Master's thesis, Georg-August Universität Göttingen, 2013. Grade: 1.0. First supervisor: Preda Mihailescu. Second supervisor: Peter Bürgisser.

[27] P. Breiding. *Numerical and Statistical Aspects of Tensor Decompositions.* PhD thesis, TU Berlin, 2017. Grade: summa cum laude. First supervisor: Peter Bürgisser. Second supervisor: Felipe Cucker.

Teaching experience

Lecture: Statistics for engineers — **Lecturer**
Universität Kassel — *11/2020–03/2021*
All lectures and exercises are available on and

Lecture: Grundlagen der Algebra — **Lecturer**
Universität Kassel — *11/2020–03/2021*
All lectures are available on and

Seminar: Mathematics for primary school teachers — **Lecturer**
Universität Kassel — *11/2020–03/2021*

Lecture: Numerical algebraic geometry with Julia — **Lecturer**
Freie Universität Berlin — *09/2019–03/2020*

Seminar: Numerical nonlinear algebra — **Lecturer**
Technische Universität Berlin — *04/2019–07/2019*

Lecture: Condition – the geometry of numerical algorithms — **Lecturer**
Max-Planck Institute for Mathematics in the Sciences — *10/2018–01/2019*

Mathematik für unbegleitete minderjährige Flüchtlinge — **Teacher**
Stiftung SPI Berlin — *03/2016–11/2016*

Gewöhnliche Differentialgleichungen, Algebra — **Teaching Assistant**
TU Berlin — *04/2017 – 09/2017*
Undergraduate course for students in Engineering and Mathematics

Statistische Beratung — **Tutor**
Institut für medizinische Statistik, UMG Göttingen — *06/2013 – 09/2013*

Organizational experience

Workshop Computational Algebra 2020 — **Organizer**
Online workshop — *11/2020*

Minisymposium on Random Geometry and Topology — **Organizer**
SIAM Conference on Applied Algebraic Geometry — *07/2019*

Minisymposium on Numerical Methods in Algebraic Geometry — **Organizer**
SIAM Conference on Applied Algebraic Geometry — *07/2019*

Summer School on Randomness and Learning in Nonlinear Algebra — **Organizer**
Max-Planck Institute for Mathematics in the Sciences — *07/2019*

Workshop on Random Algebraic Geometry — **Organizer**
SISSA — *11/2018*

Max-Planck Day (Presentation of MPI MiS to a general audience) — **Organizer**
Munich — *09/2018*

Summer School on Numerical Computing in Algebraic Geometry — **Organizer**
Max-Planck Institute for Mathematics in the Sciences — *08/2018*

Berlin-Leipzig Seminar on Algebra, Geometry and Combinatorics — **Organizer**
MPI for Mathematics in the Sciences/TU Berlin/FU Berlin — *10/2017 – 12/2017*

EROC - European Roller Derby Organizational Conference — **Organizer**
International conference with ∼150 participants — *2016 and 2017*

Editorial work

Member of the editorial board of Numerical Algebra, Control and Optimization.

Peer reviewing

for the following journals: SIAM Journal on Applied Algebra and Geometry, Linear Algebra and its Applications, Journal Foundations of Computational Mathematics, Proceedings of the Royal Society A, Journal of the American Mathematical Society, Mathematics of Computation.

References

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