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Personal School of Mathematical Sciences Phone: +44(0)1159513839University of Nottingham Information E-mail: a.m.kasprzyk@nottingham.ac.uk Nottingham Web: https://kasprzyk.work NG7 2RD ORCID: 0000-0003-2340-5257 Associate Professor (Reader) in Geometry EMPLOYMENT University of Nottingham, UK Aug 2015-present Secondment to the Heilbronn Institute Heilbronn Institute for Mathematical Research, UK Sep 2017-Aug 2019Research Fellow Imperial College London, UK Jan 2011-Jul 2015 Research Fellow University of Sydney, Australia Nov 2009-Dec 2010 Postdoctoral Research Associate University of Kent, UK Oct 2008-Oct 2009 Postdoctoral Research Fellow University of New Brunswick, Canada Sep 2006-Sep 2008 Consultancy Centre for Emerging Technology & Security, ATI, UK Jun 2023-present Heilbronn Institute for Mathematical Research, UK Sep 2019-present **EDUCATION** University of Bath, UK 2002-2006 Ph.D. in Mathematics University of Oxford, UK 1998-2002 MMath in Mathematics Keywords Algebraic Geometry; Computational Algebra; Machine Learning; Mirror Symmetry Refereed Where relevant, the number of citations is indicated by [n] (data from Google Publications Scholar). As of Feb 2024 my work, including preprints omitted here, has been cited almost 1600 times. (42) Mirror symmetry, Laurent inversion and the classification of Q-Fano threefolds. [4] T. Coates, L. Heuberger, A. Kasprzyk, to appear in *Trans. LMS* (2024). (41) On K-moduli of quartic threefolds. [1] (2024).

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Journal

Experimental Mathematics

2023-present

2023-present

EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Publishes formal results in pure mathematics inspired by experimentation, conjectures suggested by experiments, and data supporting significant hypotheses.

Journal Editorial Board Member

Fundamental Journal of Mathematics and Applications

Publishes original research articles, review articles, and survey articles with a focus on number theory, geometry, and topology.

International Journal of Data Science in the Mathematical Sciences 2022-present A highly interdisciplinary journal aimed at experimental mathematicians, both pure and applied, physicists, and data scientists, with a focus on machine learning.

Enumerative Combinatorics and Applications

2021-present

Covers research in enumerative combinatorics, focusing on research resulting from the rich interplay between mathematics and theoretical physics.

Experimental Results

An open access, open peer review journal providing a venue to publish all valid experimental findings, from all disciplines across STEM.

SELECTED Grants

Since 2016 I have been awarded over £1M in external funding. As well as paying for PDRAs and an extensive visitor programme, these grants funded an average of 50%of my salary (at FEC rates). With the exception of the grant indicated by * below, all are externally funded.

Project title	Role	Funder	Dates	Value
Secondment Office of the Chief Scientific Adviser	PI	MoD	Apr 2024– Mar 2026	£80K
Computational Algebraic Geometry INI Network Grant	Co-I	INI	Apr 2023– Mar 2025	£15K
DANGER: Data, Numbers & Geometry INI Network Grant	PI	INI	Jan 2023– Dec 2024	£20K
PhD Sponsorship Four-year PhD studentship	PI	GCHQ	Oct 2020– Aug 2024	£45K
Constructing a Periodic Table for Geometry Tübingen–Nottingham seedcorn *	PI	Tübingen & Nottingham	Sep 2021– Sep 2023	€24K
Turing Network Development Award ATI Network Funding	Co-I	ATI	Feb- Sep 2022	£40K
The Combinatorics of Mirror Symmetry EPSRC Fellowship	PI	EPSRC	Jun 2016– Mar 2022	£551K
Algorithmic Methods in Algebraic Geometry Nottingham-Magma collaboration	PI	Simons Foundation	Apr 2018– Mar 2021	£240K
Secondment Heilbronn Institute	PI	GCHQ	Oct 2017– Sep 2019	£53K
Computing toric Fano varieties Atlantic Excellence Network Fellowship	PI	ACEnet	Oct 2007– Sep 2009	\$80K

Policy Advice

Centre for Emerging Technology and Security (CETaS) 2024 Showcase Apr 2024 Institution for Engineering and Technology, London

Generative AI and National Security

Dec 2023

Centre for Emerging Technology and Security

Oct 2023

Global AI Safety Summit pre-Summit Royal Society Workshop Science x AI Safety: Horizon-scanning AI safety risks across scientific disciplines

Global AI Safety Summit: AI for Innovation

Oct 2023

Department for Science, Innovation and Technology

External Leadership RESPONSIBILITIES EPSRC Strategic Advisory Team (SAT)

Jan 2022–present

One of 16 elected members of the EPSRC's Mathematical Sciences SAT, advising on future EPSRC strategy and shaping the research and training portfolios.

	Convenor for the LMS Continuing Professional Developmen Early Career Researchers ATI Topology and Geometry of Data Interest Group Member External Examiner, University of East Anglia External Examiner, University of Bath EPSRC Prosperity Partnerships Prioritisation Panel EPSRC Programme Grant Outline Panel EPSRC Fellowship Interview Panel EPSRC New Horizons Outline Panel EPSRC Mathematics Prioritisation Panel Mentor for the Society of Research Software Engineering German Research Foundation (DFG) Review Panel Athena SWAN Assessment Panel	Aug 2023-present Jan 2023-present Oct 2022-present Oct 2021-present Jul 2024 Jun 2023 Jul 2022 Mar 2022 Sep 2016, Nov 2020 Oct 2021-present Mar 2021 Jan 2021		
University Leadership Responsibilities	University level Vice Chancellor's Mentoring Programme 2021/22 One of eight members of staff selected from across the university to be mentored by, and shadow, our Vice Chancellor over the year.			
	Task & Finish Group: Fellowships and Recruitment	Feb 2024–present		
	Student Experience Committee of Senate	Jan 2024–present		
	EPSRC DTP Executive Group	Feb 2024–present		
	University Mentoring Pool	Jan 2022–present		
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	Faculty level Researcher Academy Faculty Lead for Science Responsibilities include: coordinating CDT and DTP training and funding across the Faculty of Science; designing PGRA training programmes; REF environment.			
	Faculty of Science Research Committee	Jan 2024–present		
	Accelerating AI Research Working Group	Dec 2023–present		
	School level			
	Head of Pure Mathematics I lead a section of approximately 20 academic staff and PDRAs. Responsibilities include: curriculum review; allocation of teaching duties; research growth and supporting grant applications; REF submission; PhD recruitment; staff hiring, promotions, evaluation, and performance management.			
	Leadership Board	Aug 2020-present		
	Research Board	Aug 2020–present		
	Equality, Diversity, and Inclusion (EDI) Committee	${\rm Aug~2018-present}$		
POSTDOC SUPERVISION	Name	Dates		
	Johannes Hofscheier Progressed to Assistant Professor in Geometry at the University	20202022 of Nottingham.		
	Livia Campo Progressed to a postdoc at the University of Birmingham with M Currently Research Fellow at the Korea Institute for Advanced S			
	Giuseppe Pitton Progressed to a data science position at Deutsche Bank.	2018-2021		
	Michael Harrison Progressed to a software engineering position in industry.	2018–2021		
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	Andrea Petracci Progressed to a postdoc at Freie Universität Berlin with K. Altm Currently Assistant Professor at the Università di Bologna, Italy			

РнD	Name	Role	Dates		
SUPERVISION	Heath Pearson Mirror symmetry for spherical Fano varieties	Supervisor	2023-present		
	Sara Veneziale	Supervisor	2021–present		
	Machine learning Fano varieties from the quantum period Secured a Chapman–Schmidt Postdoc Fellowship in AI for Science, Imperial College.				
		Supervisor	2020-present		
	Mirror symmetry for terminal Fano threefolds Part-funded by a HIMR studentship (£45K). Secured a postdoc at the University of Western Ontario, Canada, with G. Denham.				
	Thomas Hall Four dimensional Fano varieties in the mirror	Supervisor	2019–present		
	Part-funded by a JSPS pre-doctoral research bursar Christopher Hall	ry (±42K). Second Supervisor	2019–2023		
	Investigations into local class field theory over general Progressed to an LMS Postdoctoral Fellowship.	_	2019-2023		
	Daniel Cavey	Supervisor	2016-2019		
	Mirror symmetry for orbifold del Pezzo surfaces	ston with I Evens			
	Progressed to a postdoc at the University of Lancas Paolo Dolce	ster with J. Evans. Second Supervisor	2015–2018		
	Low dimensional Adelic geometry Progressed to a postdoc at the University of Udine,	_	2013-2018		
		Supervisor	2011–2015		
	Mutations of Laurent polynomials and lattice polyto Progressed to a Hodge Fellowship at the IHÉS, Fra	pes			
Invited Summer	University of Oxford, UK		3–7 Jul 2023		
SCHOOLS &	LMS Research School: Machine Learning in Mat				
LECTURE SERIES	Fraunhofer Institute for Industrial Mathematics, Computational Geometry	Germany 28 1	Nov-1 Dec 2022		
	Kyoto University, Japan Mirror Symmetry for Fano Manifolds and Relat	ted Topics	10–14 Dec 2018		
	International Centre for Theoretical Physics (ICTP), Trieste, Italy 1–12 Aug 2016 Advanced school on Moduli Spaces, Mirror Symmetry, and Enumerative Geometry				
	University of Catania, Italy 16 Sep-4 Oct 2013				
	Pragmatic 2013: Summer School on Mirror Syn	nmetry and Fano	Manifolds		
Organisation of Seminars & Conferences Since 2017	ICMS 2024: Machine Learning within Computer 2 Durham University, UK	Algebra Systems	22–25 Jul 2024		
	Computational Geometry Banff international Research Station (BIRS), Ca	anada	23–28 Jun 2024		
	DANGER 3: Data, Numbers, & Geometry London Institute for Mathematical Sciences, Uk		24–25 Aug 2023		
	Computational Algebraic Geometry Workshop University of Warwick, UK		27–31 Mar 2023		
	Online Machine Learning Seminar Online	F	eb 2023–present		
	Computational Geometry University of Nottingham, UK	29	Aug-2 Sep 2022		
	DANGER 2: Data, Numbers, & Geometry		25–26 Aug 2022		
	DANGER: Data, Numbers, & Geometry Online		25–26 Aug 2021		
	Fano varieties and Birational Geometry Online		23–26 Feb 2021		
	Sanya Workshop on Machine Learning in Geometra Tsinghua Sanya International Mathematics Foru		26–28 Jan 2021		

	COW/EmSG/GLEN Joint Summer School Online	7–11 Sep 2020
	ICMS 2020: Databases in Mathematics Braunschweig, Germany	13–16 Jul 2020
	Machine Learning in Algebraic Geometry University of Nottingham, UK	Jun 2020
	Online Algebraic Geometry Seminar Online	Apr 2020–present
	Lucia Geometrica: A Celebration of Geometry Stockholm University, Sweden	9–13 Dec 2019
	${\it Lattice polytopes, with a view towards Geometry and Applications} \ {\it ICMS, Edinburgh, UK}$	18–20 Sep 2019
	Mutations: Mirror Symmetry, Deformations, and Combinatorics Banff international Research Station (BIRS), Canada	11–16 Aug 2019
	Cluster algebras and algebraic geometry University of Nottingham, UK	11–14 Jul 2018
	Interactions with Lattice Polytopes Otto-von-Guericke-Universität Magdeburg, Germany	14–16 Sep 2017
	Experimental Classification of Fano Varieties Universität Tübingen, Germany	16–18 Aug 2017
	Workshop on Computational Algebra King's College, University of Cambridge, UK	18–21 Apr 2017
SELECTED INVITED TALKS SINCE 2010	Będlewo, Poland Fano and uniruled varieties	Jul 2024
	TU Berlin, Germany Discrete and Convex Geometry Seminar	Feb 2024
	New Orleans, USA Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIP	Dec 2023 S)
	Schloss Dagstuhl, Germany Automated mathematics: integrating proofs, algorithms and da	Oct 2023 ta
	International Centre for Theoretical Physics (ICTP), Trieste, Italy Workshop on Deformation Theory II	y Sep 2023
	Technische Universität Berlin, Germany MOM workshop on MaRDI, OSCAR and MATHREPO	Nov 2022
	San Diego, USA SIAM Conference on Mathematics of Data Science	Sep 2022
	Boston University, USA Big Data in Pure Mathematics	May 2022
	University of Connecticut, USA Department Colloquium	Mar 2022
	Texas, USA SIAM Conference on Algebraic Geometry	Aug 2021
	Chern Institute of Mathematics, China Nankai Symposium on Mathematical Dialogues	Aug 2021
	Steklov Mathematical Institute, Russia Iskovskikh Seminar Series	May 2020
	University of Torino, Italy Algebraic Geometry – Torino 2020	Feb 2020
	Chicheley Hall, UK 3CinG Workshop	Sep 2019
	University of Warwick, UK Classification, Computation, and Construction, New Methods in	Oct 2018 n Geometry

	London Mathematical Society, UK	Oct 2017
	Mirror Symmetry and Fano Manifolds Banach Center, Warsaw, Poland Periods and Ricci flat manifolds	Sep 2017
	Museum of Science and Industry, Manchester, UK Second Conference of Research Software Engineers	Sep 2017
	Universität Tübingen, Germany Experimental Classification of Fano Varieties	Aug 2017
	Johannes Gutenberg-Universität Mainz, Germany Cluster Algebras in Mathematical Physics	Mar 2017
	Freie Universität Berlin, Germany Einstein workshop on Lattice Polytopes	Dec 2016
	Banff International Research Station, Canada Homological Mirror Geometry	Mar 2016
	Hannover University, Germany Experimental Methods in Computational Algebra	May 2015
	University of Ulm, Germany Department Colloquium	Feb 2015
	Simons Center for Geometry and Physics, Stony Brook University, USA Wall Crossing, Quantum Integrable Systems, and TQFT	Nov 2014
	Max Planck Institute for Mathematics, Bonn, Germany Motivic Structures on Quantum Cohomology & Pencils of CY Motives	Sep 2014
	KTH Royal Institute of Technology, Stockholm, Sweden Algebra & Geometry Seminar	Aug 2014
	Freie Universität Berlin, Germany Combinatorics and Geometry Seminar	Jul 2014
	University of Vienna, Austria Geometry and Mathematical Physics Seminar	Jun 2014
	Miami University, USA Homological Mirror Symmetry	Jan 2014
	Colorado State University, USA SIAM Conference on Applied Algebraic Geometry	Aug 2013
	TU Berlin, Germany 21st International Symposium on Mathematical Programming	Aug 2012
	Kyoto University, Japan Convex Polytopes	Jul 2012
	British Mathematical Colloquium, UK British Mathematical Colloquium: Number Theory and Algebraic Geo	Apr 2012 ometry
	University of Sydney, Australia Department Colloquium	Jan 2012
	Freie Universität Berlin, Germany Extremal Laurent Polynomials and Fano Varieties	Dec 2011
	RICAM, Austrian Academy of Sciences, Linz, Austria Colloquium	Apr 2011
	Freie Universität Berlin, Germany Combinatorics and Geometry Seminar	Jun 2010
PhD Thesis	Daniel Hättig (Universität Tübingen, Germany)	Dec 2022
Examination	Teresa Lüdenbach (King's College London, UK)	$\mathrm{Sep}\ 2022$
	Alice Cuzzucoli (University of Warwick, UK)	$\mathrm{Jan}\ 2020$
	Norbert Pintye (Loughborough University, UK)	Oct 2019
	Karin Schaller (Universität Tübingen, Germany)	Dec 2018
	Bach Tran (University of Edinburgh, UK)	Apr 2018
	Michele Nicolussi (Universität Tübingen, Germany)	Jun 2017
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LECTURE COURSES

MAGIC

Computational Algebra (MAGIC112)

2022/23, 2023/24

Developed and taught a new advanced module taken by approximately 30 PhD students. Covers topics in computational algebra and geometry.

Delivered as part of the Mathematics Access Grid Instruction and Collaboration (MAGIC): a consortium of 22 university mathematics departments in the UK that share a wide range of online PhD-level Mathematics modules.

University of Nottingham

Linear Algebra (MATH1101)

2023/24

Developed and taught a new first-year module taken by approximately 250 students. Introduces elementary linear algebra, vector spaces, and inner product spaces

Group Projects: Pure Mathematics Stream (MATH4045) 2022/23, 2023/24 A third- and fourth-year module taken by approximately 80 students. The focus is on developing group collaboration, presentation, and writing skills.

Algebra & Number Theory (G12ALN)

2021/22, 2022/23

A second-year module taken by approximately 200 students. Introduces group theory, ring theory, and elementary number theory.

Coding & Cryptography (G13CCR)

2020/21, 2021/22

A third-year module taken by approximately 100 students. Covers elementary coding theory and cryptography, including modern cryptosystems.

Algebraic Geometry (G14AGE)

2016/17, 2017/18, 2018/19, 2019/20, 2020/21

Developed and taught a new fourth-year module taken by approximately 20 students. Introduces students to the basic concepts in algebraic geometry.

Elliptic Curves (G13ELL)

2016/17, 2017/18, 2018/19, 2019/20

Developed and taught a new third-year module taken by approximately 20 students. Covers elliptic curves from the view-point of algebraic geometry.

Rings & Modules (G13RIM/G14FRM)

2015/16

A third- and fourth-year module taken by approximately 30 students. Introduces modules and related topics such as Noetherian rings, tensor product, localisation.

Algebraic Number Theory (G14ALN)

2015/16

A fourth-year module taken by approximately 15 students. Introduces basic ideas from algebraic number theory, such as quadratic number fields and p-adic numbers.

Imperial College London

 $Computational\ Algebra\ \mathcal{E}\ Geometry\ (M3P24)$

 $2012/13, \, 2013/14, \, 2014/15$

Developed and taught a new third- and fourth-year module taken by approximately 30 students. Commutative algebra and geometry from a computational viewpoint.

University of New Brunswick

Calculus (Math1003)

2006/07, 2007/08

First-year elementary calculus module for approximately 150 students. Taught three times.

Computational Commutative Algebra (Math3353)

2007/08

Developed and taught a new third-year module for approximately 15 students. Introduces ideals, affine varieties, and Gröbner bases; emphasis on computations.

Schemes and Geometry (Math6991)

2006/07

Developed and taught a new postgraduate module introducing schemes and more advanced topics in algebraic geometry.

OUTREACH & PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT

New Scientist

Oct 2023

AI is helping mathematicians build a periodic table of shapes: "Mathematicians attempting to build a 'periodic table' of shapes have turned to artificial intelligence for help..."



Popular Mechanics

Oct 2023

Mathematicians are close to building the perfect periodic table of shapes: "Just as molecules can be broken down into atoms, so too can mathematical shapes be broken down into more basic components..."

Pint of Science May 2022

Helped organise Nottingham's contribution to the global Pint of Science festival.

A periodic table of shapes

2012 - 2015

Collaborated with artist-in-residence Gemma Anderson-Tempini interpreting the mathematics of Fano varieties through print-making and sculpture.

Physics World Mar 2011

Nature's building blocks brought to life: "The scientists are looking for shapes, known as 'Fano varieties', which are basic building blocks and cannot be broken down into simpler shapes..."

New Scientist Feb 2011

Atoms ripple in the periodic table of shapes: "This rippling structure may look like a piece of origami, or an intricate scarf. In fact, it is geometry's answer to the atom..."

Science Feb 2011

Elementary mathematics: "An international group of mathematicians hopes to do for math what Dmitri Mendeleev's periodic table did for chemistry..."

CMS Math Camp

Jun 2007, Jun 2008

Teaching at the Canadian Mathematical Society summer camp for High School students.