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# Benjamin A. Robinson

## Academic Employment

- 2024–2030 **Postdoc Assistant**, *Department of Statistics, University of Klagenfurt, Austria.* 6 year position, internationally equivalent to Assistant Professor.
- 2020–2024 **Postdoc**, Faculty of Mathematics, University of Vienna, Austria.

  Employed in the Mathematical Finance and Stochastic Analysis group of Mathias Beiglböck and Walter Schachermayer. Funded by the Austrian Science Fund (FWF) [10.55776/Y782], [10.55776/P35519], [10.55776/P34743].
  - 2020 **Research Associate**, *Institute for Mathematical Innovation, University of Bath, UK*.

    Conducted research on mathematical and statistical aspects of interdisciplinary and industrial projects, collaborating with academics from varied fields and external partners.
  - 2020 **Research Assistant**, Department of Psychology, University of Bath, UK.

    Provided data analysis, modelling and programming expertise to a collaborative project with NHS RUH Bath on sustainable transport EPSRC Reimagining Recruitment grant EP/S012168/1.

#### Education

- 2020 **PhD in Statistical Applied Mathematics**, *University of Bath, UK*.

  Stochastic Control Problems for Multidimensional Martingales, supervised by Alexander Cox. Funded by EPSRC Centre for Doctoral Training in Statistical Applied Mathematics at Bath (SAMBa) EP/L015684/1. Member of leading probability research group Prob-L@b.
- 2016 MRes in Statistical Applied Mathematics, Distinction, University of Bath, UK.

  Masters Dissertation: Constrained Optimal Stopping Problems, supervised by Alexander Cox.
- 2015 MSci in Mathematics, First Class, University of Bristol, UK.
  Masters Dissertation: Ergodicity of Stochastic Processes and the Markov Chain Central Limit Theorem, supervised by Márton Balázs.

#### **Publications**

- [1] Julio Backhoff-Veraguas, Sigrid Källblad, and Benjamin A. Robinson. Adapted Wasserstein distance between the laws of SDEs. *Stochastic Processes and their Applications*, 189, 2025.
- [2] Gudmund Pammer, Benjamin A. Robinson, and Walter Schachermayer. A regularized Kellerer theorem in arbitrary dimension. *Annals of Applied Probability*, 35(2):749–778, 2025.
- [3] Alexander M. G. Cox and Benjamin A. Robinson. SDEs with no strong solution arising from a problem of stochastic control. *Electronic Journal of Probability*, 28:1–24, 2023.
- [4] Alexander M.G. Cox and Benjamin A. Robinson. Optimal control of martingales in a radially symmetric environment. *Stochastic Processes and their Applications*, 159:149–198, 2023.
- [5] Benjamin A. Robinson and Michaela Szölgyenyi. Bicausal optimal transport for SDEs with irregular coefficients. *arXiv:2403.09941*, 2024.

## Supervision

- Present **PhD Statistics**, *University of Klagenfurt*, Alexander Söllinger (with Michaela Szölgyenyi and Stefan Thonhauser).
  - 2024 **MSc Mathematics**, *University of Vienna*, Ralf Stoiber (with Julio Backhoff-Veraguas), The Skorokhod Embedding Problem and its Financial Applications.

## Teaching

- 2025 Summer Stochastic Processes, Master, Department of Statistics, University of Klagenfurt.
  - Lecturer Delivering lectures and exercise classes, preparing course material.
- 2024 Winter **Stochastics for Engineers**, *Bachelor, Department of Statistics, University of Klagenfurt*. Lecturer Delivering lectures and exercise classes, coordinating teaching, preparing material.
- 2024 Summer Stochastic Processes, Master, Department of Statistics, University of Klagenfurt.

Lecturer — Delivering lectures and exercise classes, preparing course material.

**Methodology 2: Statistics**, *Bachelor*, *Department of Statistics*, *University of Klagenfurt*. Teaching Assistant (TA) — Delivering exercise classes and preparing exercise sheets.

- 2023 Winter **Stochastics for Engineers**, *Bachelor*, *Department of Statistics*, *University of Klagenfurt*. Teaching Assistant Delivering online exercise classes and preparing exercise sheets.
- 2019 Winter Mathematics and Statistics, Mathematics Resource Centre (MASH), University of Bath.

  Senior Peer Tutor Leading a team of tutors, running drop-in sessions for first year mathematics undergraduates, providing mathematical and statistical support at drop-in sessions for all disciplines.
- 2016 Winter Financial Derivatives, Master, School of Management, University of Bath, TA.
  - 2015–2019 **Analysis 1, Probability 1, Analysis 2**, Bachelor, Department of Mathematical Sciences, University of Bath, TA.
- 2015 Summer Statistics 1, Bachelor, School of Mathematics, University of Bristol, TA.

  Linear Algebra 1B, Bachelor, School of Mathematics, University of Bristol, TA.
  - 2014 Winter **Probability 1**, Bachelor, School of Mathematics, University of Bristol, TA. **Linear Algebra 1A**, Bachelor, School of Mathematics, University of Bristol, TA.

#### Outreach Activities

- Jul 2025 **Summer Internship Programme**, *Universität Klagenfurt, Austria*. Supervising school pupils during a one month internship at the univesity
  - 2025 **Modelling Days**, *Klagenfurt, Austria*.

    One-day mathematical modelling workshops at local high schools
- Feb 2025 **Workshop for Schools**, *Universität Klagenfurt, Austria.*Der Ton macht die Musik Workshop on mathematics in music

#### Invited Seminar and Conference Talks

- Sep 2025 ÖMG-DMV Meeting, JKU, Linz, Stochastics section.
- Jul 2025 Modern Methods in Applied Stochastics Seminar, WIAS, Berlin.
- Jul 2025 **Optimal Transport for Complex Data Workshop**, *University of Vienna*. Bicausal optimal transport between the laws of SDEs
- Dec 2024 **Rough Analysis and Stochastic Dynamics Seminar**, *TU Berlin*. A regularized Kellerer theorem in arbitrary dimension
- Feb 2024 **Probability Seminar**, *University of Leeds, UK*.

  Bicausal optimal transport for SDEs with irregular coefficients
- Nov 2023 **Vienna Probability Seminar**, *Institute of Science and Technology, Austria*. A regularized Kellerer theorem in arbitrary dimension
- Jun 2023 **SIAM Conference on Financial Mathematics and Engineering**, *Philadelphia*, *USA*, Minisymposium *Optimal Transport*.

  An adapted distance between laws of SDEs
- May 2023 **AAU Doctoral Seminar**, *Universität Klagenfurt*, *Austria*. Distances between stochastic processes
- Apr 2021 **Vienna Seminar in Mathematical Finance and Probability**, *Vienna*. Optimal control of martingales in a radially symmetric environment
- Jun 2020 Internal Probability Seminar, University of Bath (Online).

  Optimal control of martingales in a radially symmetric environment and an SDE with no strong solution

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Mar 2025	German Probability and Statistics Days, Dresden, Germany.
	A regularized Kellerer theorem in arbitrary dimension

- Sep 2024 **Numerical analysis and applications of SDEs**, *Będlewo Conference Centre, Poland.*Bicausal optimal transport between the laws of SDEs
- Sep 2024 **12<sup>th</sup> Austrian Stochastic Days**, *University of Innsbruck, Austria*. Bicausal optimal transport for SDEs with irregular coefficients
- Jun 2024 Klagenfurt-Berlin Workshop on Multiple Perspectives in Optimization, University of Klagenfurt, Austria.

  Bicausal optimal transport for SDEs with irregular coefficients
- Jan 2024 **Stochastic and Deterministic Analysis for Irregular Models**, *CIRM, France*. Bicausal optimal transport for SDEs with irregular coefficients
- Sep 2023 11<sup>th</sup> Austrian Stochastic Days, *University of Klagenfurt, Austria.*A regularized Kellerer theorem in arbitrary dimension
- May 2023 **Mathematical Finance and Stochastics**, San Sebastian, Spain. A regularized Kellerer theorem in arbitrary dimension
- Mar 2023 **German Probability and Statistics Days**, *Essen, Germany*. Adapted Wasserstein distance between the laws of SDEs
- Sep 2022 10<sup>th</sup> Austrian Stochastic Days, *University of Vienna, Austria*.

  Adapted Wasserstein distance between the laws of SDEs
- July 2022 **PIMS-IFDS-NSF Summer School on Optimal Transport**, *University of Washington, Seattle, USA*.

  Bicausal transport between laws of SDEs
- May 2022 **Stochastic Games and Martingale Optimal Transport**, *Università degli Studi di Milano, Italy*.

 $\ensuremath{\mathsf{A}}$  regularized Kellerer theorem in arbitrary dimension

- Aug 2020 **Bernoulli-IMS One World Symposium**, *Online*.

  Optimal control of martingales in a radially symmetric environment
- Jan 2020 Winter School on Theory and Practice of Optimal Stopping and Free Boundary Problems, *University of Leeds, UK*.

  An SDE with no strong solution arising from the stochastic control of martingales in a radially symmetric environment
- Apr 2019 **Stochastic Control and Games under Ambiguity**, *University of Leeds*. Optimal control of martingales in a radially symmetric environment
- Jun 2017 **BUC-VIII: Stochastic Optimal Control**, *CIMAT, Mexico*.

  Stochastic optimal control problems related to martingale optimal transport

#### Poster Presentations

- Jan 2024 **21<sup>st</sup> Winter School on Mathematical Finance**, *Soesterberg, The Netherlands*. Bicausal optimal transport for SDEs with irregular coefficients
- Jan 2023 **20<sup>th</sup> Winter School on Mathematical Finance**, *Soesterberg, The Netherlands*. Adapted Wasserstein distance between the laws of SDEs
- Sep 2017 **Conference on Stochastic Control, Ambiguity and Games**, *University of Leeds*. Stochastic optimal control problems related to martingale optimal transport

## Workshops and Schools

- Sep 2024 Numerical analysis and applications of SDEs, Bedlewo Conference Centre, Poland.
- Jan 2024 21st Winter School on Mathematical Finance, Soesterberg, The Netherlands.
- Jan 2024 Stochastic and Deterministic Analysis for Irregular Models, CIRM, France.
- Jan 2023 20th Winter School on Mathematical Finance, Soesterberg, The Netherlands.

- July 2022 **PIMS-IFDS-NSF Summer School on Optimal Transport**, *University of Washington, Seattle, USA*.
- Jan 2020 Winter School on Theory and Practice of Optimal Stopping and Free Boundary Problems, *University of Leeds, UK*.
- Jul 2018 **Hausdorff School: Optimal Transport Meets Economic Theory**, Hausdorff Centre for Mathematics, Universität Bonn, Germany.
- Sep 2017 Workshop on Martingale Optimal Transport, University of Oxford.
- Jun 2017 BUC-VIII: Stochastic Optimal Control, CIMAT, Mexico.

## Industrial Research Projects

Participated in five workshops at University of Bath, UK. Collaborated with industrial partners to formulate mathematical problems from applied challenges, presenting outcomes orally and in research proposals.

- Jan 2019 **Optimal Stopping for Early Drought Detection**, *Willis Towers Watson*, ITT9. Investigated analytical and numerical properties of optimal stopping problems for time series climate data to minimise expected detection time, constraining probability of false alarm.
- Jun 2017 **Bayesian Inference on Nuclear Magnetic Resonance**, *Schlumberger*, ITT6.

  Adapted C code for Bayesian inference with atomic priors in order to estimate relaxation times for nuclear magnetic resonance in rocks and to quantify the uncertainty.
- Jan 2017 **Modelling Dermal Absorption of Chemicals**, *Syngenta*, ITT5.

  Investigated application of random walk models to describe the absorption of chemical particles through the inhomogeneous media of human skin and leaves of plants.
- Jun 2016 **Optimising the Drug Development Process**, *AstraZeneca*, ITT4.

  Designed a Bayesian decision framework for the end-to-end drug development process and investigated the application of measure-valued optimal stopping to adaptive clinical trials.
- Jan 2016 **Developing a Model for Sea Ice**, *Met Office*, ITT3.

  Reconstructed historical sea ice concentrations using a Bayesian hierarchical model, incorporating latent Gaussian random fields, implemented in R-INLA.

#### Grants and Awards

- 2025 **Submitted Grant Proposal: FWF 1000 Ideen**, FWF (Austrian Science Fund).
- 2024 **Scientific Research Network of The Research Foundation Flanders Travel Grant**. Grant to attend 21<sup>st</sup> Winter School on Mathematical Finance
- 2024 Centre international de rencontres mathémathiques (CIRM) Travel Grant.

  Grant to attend research school Stochastic and Deterministic Analysis for Irregular Models
- 2023 **Scientific Research Network of The Research Foundation Flanders Travel Grant**. Grant to attend *20<sup>th</sup> Winter School on Mathematical Finance*
- 2019 **University of Leeds Travel Grant**.

  Grant to attend 2<sup>nd</sup> Leeds Conference on Stochastic Control and Games under Ambiguity
- 2018 Hausdorff Centre for Mathematics Travel Grant.
  Grant to attend Hausdorff School: Optimal Transport Meets Economic Theory
- 2017–2018 Grants to organise SIAM UKIE National Student Chapter Conference.

  Grants from: SIAM; IMA; University of Bath Doctoral College, IMI, Dept. Math. Sci.
  - 2017 SIAM Student Chapter Certificate of Recognition, University of Bath.
  - 2015 Howell Peregrine Prize for Best Undergraduate Project, University of Bristol.

## Academic Service

- Jul 2024 Minisymposium Organiser 12<sup>th</sup> Bachelier World Congress, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.
- 2024-present Hiring Committee Member, Department of Statistics, University of Klagenfurt.
- 2022—present **Referee**, Annals of Applied Probability, Mathematics of Operations Research, SIAM Journal on Mathematical Finance, Stochastic Analysis and Applications.
  - Jun 2018 Organiser of SIAM UKIE National Student Chapter Conference, University of Bath.

- 2017–2018 **Organiser of Postgraduate Seminar Series**, *Dept. Math. Sciences, University of Bath.*Jun 2017 **Organiser of SAMBa Summer Conference**, *University of Bath.* 
  - Mar 2017 Organiser of Bath SIAM-IMA Student Conference, University of Bath.
- 2016–2018 Treasurer of University of Bath SIAM-IMA Student Chapter, University of Bath.

# Programming and Languages

Python, R, MATLAB, Fortran, C, HTML, CSS, SQL English (Native), German (C1.1), French (B2)

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