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## Current position

**Sep 2020–present** **Postdoctoral Researcher**, Foundations of Programming group, *Max Planck Institute for Software Systems*, Saarbrücken, Germany  
*Topic* Concurrent Separation Logics, Hyperproperties, Non-Volatile Memory Models, Refinement (with Derek Dreyer)  
*Achievements* Published 2 OOPSLA papers, 2 more papers under review.

## Experience

**Sep 2018–Aug 2020** **Marie Curie Research Fellow**, Computing Department, *Imperial College London*, UK  
*Topic* Compositional verification and specification for progress and security properties of concurrent software, integrating separation logics, automata theory and process algebra.  
*Funding* Two years EU funded fellowship (H2020-MSCA-IF-2017 795218)  
**Apr 2017–Sep 2018** **Research Associate**, *Imperial College London*, UK  
*Topic* Concurrent Separation Logic (with Philippa Gardner)  
**May 2015–Apr 2017** **Postdoctoral Researcher**, *Concurrency Theory Group*, TU Kaiserslautern, Germany  
*Topic* Logics and Automata for Infinite State Model Checking (with Prof. Roland Meyer)

## Education

**2010–2015** **PhD in Computer Science**, *University of Oxford*, Merton College, UK  
*Thesis* Verification of Message Passing Concurrent Systems (supervisor: Luke Ong)  
*Awards* [Winner of the 2016 BCS/CPHC Distinguished Dissertation award](#)  
**2007–2010** **M.Sc. in Computer Science**, *University of Udine*, Italy, 110/110 *cum laude*  
Dissertation on static analysis of Bigraphs by Abstract Interpretation  
**2004–2007** **B.Sc. in Computer Science**, *University of Udine*, Italy, 110/110 *cum laude*  
Dissertation on Monads and Arrows in Haskell  
**Oct 2007–Mar 2008** **Exchange Student (Erasmus)**, *Istanbul Bilgi Universitesi*, Istanbul, Turkey

## Awards & Fellowships

**2018** **Marie Skłodowska-Curie Individual Fellowship**, *EU Horizon 2020*  
*Grant Title* Verification and Specification through Progress Abstractions (VeSPA).  
*Budget* € 195.454,80 for 2 years (grant number 795218).  
**2016** **Winner of the Distinguished Dissertation award**, *BCS/CPHC*, UK  
Best British PhD dissertation in Computer Science selected by the Council of Professors and Heads of Computing, and the BCS Academy of Computing.  
**2010–2013** **Scatcherd European Scholarship**, *University of Oxford*, UK  
University-wide fully-funded PhD scholarship.  
**2004–2010** **Scuola Superiore Student Fellowship**, *University of Udine*, Italy  
University-wide fully-funded 5 years scholarship for excellent students. Members are annually reviewed and required to attend extra courses. See [scuolasuperiore.uniud.it](http://scuolasuperiore.uniud.it).

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## Publications

My research output is characterised by high-quality papers in top-tier conferences.

📄 Total citations 135 (Google Scholar, July 2022).

- OOPSLA'22 **Proving Hypersafety Compositionally**, with *Azadeh Farzan and Derek Dreyer*.  
Conditionally accepted at OOPSLA'22.
- OOPSLA'22 **A Propositions-as-Sessions Interpretation of Bunched Implications in Channel-Based Concurrency**, with *Dan Frumin, Bas van den Heuvel, and Jorge A. Pérez*.  
Conditionally accepted at OOPSLA'22.
- TOPLAS'21 **TaDA Live: Compositional Reasoning for Termination of Fine-grained Concurrent Programs**, with *Julian Sutherland, Azadeh Farzan and Philippa Gardner*. In ACM Transactions on Programming Languages and Systems (TOPLAS). ACM. 2021.  
Presented at POPL'22 (Journal-first submission).  
📄 Citations 14 📊 CORE rank A\* 📄 Length 84 pages + 49 appendix
- CONCUR'20 **Decidable Inductive Invariants for Verification of Cryptographic Protocols with Unbounded Sessions**, with *Felix Stutz*. In Proc. of Concurrency Theory. LIPIcs. 2020.  
📄 Citations 4 📊 CORE rank A 📄 Length 18 pages + 5 appendix
- CSF'17 **Deciding Secrecy of Security Protocols for an Unbounded Number of Sessions: The Case of Depth-bounded Processes**, with *Luke Ong and Alwen Tiu*.  
In Proc. of Computer Security Foundations. IEEE Computer Society. 2017.  
📄 Citations 10 📊 CORE rank A 📄 Length 17 pages
- LICS'16 **First-order Logic with Reachability for Infinite-State Systems**, with *Roland Meyer and Georg Zetsche*. In Proc. of Symposium on Logic in Computer Science. ACM. 2016.  
📄 Citations 6 📊 CORE rank A\* 📄 Length 18 pages + 3 appendix
- ESOP'16 **On Hierarchical Communication Topologies in the  $\pi$ -calculus**, with *Luke Ong*.  
In Proc. of European Symposium on Programming. Vol. 9632 of LNCS. Springer. 2016.  
📄 Citations 5 📊 CORE rank A 📄 Length 27 pages + 14 appendix
- SAS'13 **Automatic Verification of Erlang-Style Concurrency**, with *Jonathan Kochems and Luke Ong*. In Proc. of Static Analysis. Vol. 7935 of LNCS. Springer. 2013.  
📄 Citations 71 📊 CORE rank A 📄 Length 18 pages + 5 appendix
- AGERE'12 **Soter: an Automatic Safety Verifier for Erlang**, with *Jonathan Kochems and Luke Ong*.  
In Proceedings of the 2nd edition on Programming systems, languages and applications based on actors, agents, and decentralized control abstractions. ACM. 2012.  
📄 Citations 21
- Monograph **Verification of Message Passing Concurrent Systems**. BCS/CPHC Distinguished Dissertation Award Series, ISBN 978-1-78017-363-4, BCS. 2016. 📄 Citations 4

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## Teaching

- 2016/2017 **Lecturer** of Concurrency Theory, *TU Kaiserslautern*, Germany
- 2016 **Lecturer** of Advanced Automata Theory, *TU Kaiserslautern*, Germany
- May–Jul 2015 **Teaching Assistant**, Concurrency Theory, *TU Kaiserslautern*, Germany
- Jun 2013–Mar 2014 **Tutor** at Merton College, *University of Oxford*, UK  
*Subjects* Concurrent Programming, Imperative Programming 2
- 2011–2014 **Teaching Assistant**, Dept. of Computer Science, *University of Oxford*, UK  
*Subjects* Imperative Programming (Scala), Concurrent Programming (Scala),  
Functional Programming (Haskell), Concurrency (CSP).

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## Student supervision

- 2017–2022** Assistant Supervisor of **Julian Sutherland**, PhD in Computer Science, *Imperial College*  
*Topic* Compositional Termination Proofs of Fine-grained Concurrent Programs
- 2019** **Felix Stutz**, MSc Computer Science, *Saarland University*, Germany  
*Topic* Automatic verification of cryptographic protocols through inductive invariants
- 2019** **Ruhi Choudhury**, MEng Computing, *Imperial College London*
- 2018** **Blaine Rogers**, MEng Joint Mathematics and Computing, *Imperial College London*  
*Thesis* A  $\pi$ -calculus Abstraction for Erlang  
– Winner of Davis Prize award (best JMC thesis)

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## Invited Talks

- May 2022** Invited Talk at **Iris WorksoP 2022**, Radboud University, Nijmegen, The Netherlands.  
*Topic* *TaDA Live: Compositional Termination Verification for Concurrent programs*
- May 2019** Talk at **Effective Verification: Static Analysis Meets Program Logics**, Lorentz Center, The Netherlands. Invitation-only research workshop.  
*Topic* *Inductive Invariants for Automatic Verification of Cryptographic Protocols*
- Jan 2019** Talk at **Open Problems in Concurrency Theory**, Lisbon, Portugal  
Invitation-only research seminar organised by IFIP-WG 1.8 co-located with POPL'19.  
*Topic* *Progress for Concurrent Programs*

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## Research Talks

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### TaDA Live: Compositional Reasoning for Termination of Fine-grained Concurrent Programs

- May 2022* Invited talk at the Iris Workshop, Radboud University Nijmegen, The Netherlands
- Jan 2022* TOPLAS Track at POPL'22, Philadelphia, USA
- Oct 2019* Iris Workshop, Aarhus University, Denmark
- Jul 2019* Surrey Concurrency Workshop and S-REPLS 12, University of Surrey, Guilford, UK
- Jan 2019* Open Problems in Concurrency Theory, POPL'19, Lisbon, Portugal

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### Decidable Inductive Invariants for Verification of Cryptographic Protocols

- Jul 2022* RSS Meetups, LASIGE/FCUL, University of Lisbon, Portugal
- Jun 2022* SRM seminar, University of Luxembourg
- Sep 2020* CONCUR 2020, Virtual event
- Sep 2020* iFM<sup>2</sup> Meeting, University of Udine, Italy
- Sep 2020* Nobuko Yoshida's group, Imperial College London, UK
- May 2019* Effective Verification Workshop, Leiden, The Netherlands

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### Deciding Secrecy of Security Protocols for an Unbounded Number of Sessions

- Sep 2017* Highlights of Logics, Games and Automata, Queen Mary University of London
- Aug 2017* CSF'17, UCSB, Santa Barbara, USA

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## First-order Logic with Reachability for Infinite-State Systems

*Jul 2016* LICS'16, Columbia University, New York City, USA

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## On Hierarchical Communication Topologies in the $\pi$ -calculus

*May 2018* PLAS Group Seminar, University of Kent, UK

*Oct 2017* Theory Group Seminar, Queen Mary University of London, UK

*Dec 2016* IMDEA Software, hosted by Boris Köpf, Madrid

*Aug 2016* Nanyang Technological University, hosted by Alwen Tiu, Singapore

*Apr 2016* ESOP'16, ETAPS, Eindhoven, Netherlands

*Mar 2016* D-CON'16, Universität des Saarlandes, Saarbrücken, Germany

*Feb 2016* Oxford Advanced Seminar on Informatic Structures, University of Oxford

*Feb 2016* Nobuko Yoshida's group, Imperial College, London

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## Precise Abstractions of Concurrent Systems

*Aug 2014* Hosted by Pawel Sobocinski, University of Southampton

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## Automatic Verification of Erlang-Style Concurrency

*Jun 2013* SAS'13, Seattle, USA

*Jan 2013* Student Short Talk Session at POPL'13, Rome

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## Towards Static Analysis for Bigraphical Reactive Systems

*Oct 2011* Bigraphs Present & Future Workshop, IT University of Copenhagen

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## Academic Activities

**Program Committee** Erlang Workshop 2018/2021, EXPRESS/SOS 2019, OOPSLA 2022 (External).

**Organisation** Local organiser for MFPC/CALCO 2019 in London.

**Reviewer** OOPSLA 2020/2022, ECOOP 2022, CONCUR 2020, LMCS 2020, PLACES 2020, *Conferences* EXPRESS 2019, iFM 2019, ESOP 2019, CAV 2019, SAS 2018, PLDI 2018, CONCUR 2015/2017/2018/2020, ERLANG 2018/2021, FoSSaCS 2017, TACAS 2016, NETYS 2016/2021, MFCS 2012, LICS 2015, FSTTCS 2015, VMCAI 2014, DMC 2014, TAMC 2012, POPL 2012, TLCA 2011.

*Journals* TCS, Information and Computation, Information and Software Technology, Mathematical Structures in Computer Science.

*Artifact Evaluation* OOPSLA 2022, ECOOP 2022.

*Award Committee* POPL Student Research Competition 2021 Selection Committee.

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## Research Software

**Lemma9** A tool for automatically checking/inferring invariants of security protocols (with F. Stutz).

*Website* <http://github.com/bordaigor1/lemma9>

**Soter** A proof-of-concept static analyser for Erlang programs (with J. Kochems).

*Demo* <http://soter.emanueledosualdo.com/>

**JamesBound** A proof-of-concept implementation of my ESOP'16 type system for the  $\pi$ -calculus

*Website* <http://github.com/bordaigor1/jamesbound>

– Includes an Haskell framework for analysing the  $\pi$ -calculus.

**Stargazer** An innovative, instructional, interactive execution environment for the  $\pi$ -calculus

*Website* <http://stargazer.emanueledosualdo.com>

- Used as a teaching/presentation aid in my talks and lectures, with excellent student engagement and feedback.
- University of Southern Denmark is using it in lectures.

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## Other skills

**Languages** Italian (native speaker) · English (fluent)

**Programming** Haskell, Python, JavaScript, Scala, Java, Erlang.

**Music** Studied violin for more than ten years playing Classical and Jazz Music.  
Studied Musical Composition from 2000 to 2005 at the conservatory of Udine.