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Positions

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2016 - 2023 Associate Professor (*Chargé de Cours*), ULB

2012 - 2016 Assistant Professor (*Premier Assistant*), ULB[1]

2013 - 2014 DECRA Research Fellow of the Australian Research Council, The University of Melbourne

2008 - 2012 Postdoctoral Researcher of the Belgian Fund for Scientific Research (FNRS), ULB

2004 - 2008 Research Fellow of the FNRS, ULB

Education

2007 Ph. D. in Computer Science, ULB

Thesis: *Entropy and Stability in Graphs*
Advisors: Jean Cardinal and Jean-Paul Doignon

2004 M. Sc. in Computer Science, La Plus Grande Distinction (*Greatest Honours*), ULB

Publications

All papers are available from `https://gjoret.be/`

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[1]On leave at The University of Melbourne during the 2013–2014 academic year

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3. M. Distel, V. Dujmović, G. Joret, P. Micek, P. Morin, and D. R. Wood. Planar graphs in blowups of fans. *Advances in Combinatorics*, P1, 2026. Extended abstract in proc. of SODA 2025.

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5. G. Joret and R. Petit. A Caro-Wei bound for induced linear forests in graphs. *SIAM Journal on Discrete Mathematics*, **39**/3:1621–1656, 2025.

6. V. Dujmović, R. Hickingbotham, J. Hodor, G. Joret, H. La, P. Micek, P. Morin, C. Rambaud, and D. R. Wood. The grid-minor theorem revisited. *Combinatorica*, **45**/62, 2025. Extended abstract in proc. of SODA 2024.

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18. C. Groenland, G. Joret, W. Nadara, and B. Walczak. Approximating pathwidth for graphs of small treewidth. *ACM Transactions on Algorithms*, **19**/2:1–19, 2023. Extended abstract in proc. of SODA 2021.

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29. W. Cames van Batenburg, G. Joret, and A. Ulmer. Erdős-Pósa from ball packing. *SIAM Journal on Discrete Mathematics*, **34**/3:1609–1619, 2020.

30. W. Cames van Batenburg, J. Goedgebeur, and G. Joret. Large independent sets in triangle-free cubic graphs: beyond planarity. *Advances in Combinatorics*, P7, 45 pp, 2020.

31. M. Conforti, S. Fiorini, T. Huynh, G. Joret, and S. Weltge. The stable set problem in graphs with bounded genus and bounded odd cycle packing number. Extended abstract in proc. of SODA 2020.

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Talks in conferences and workshops

March 2025 "How to decompose planar graphs?", Journées Nationales du GDR IFM 2025, Bordeaux, France.

September 2023 "The Grid Minor Theorem revisited", Structural graph theory Workshop, Będlewo, Poland.

August 2023 "χ-Boundedness for posets", EUROCOMB 2023, Prague, Czech Republic.

July 2022 "Integer programs with bounded subdeterminants and two nonzeros per row", Probability and Combinatorics: A workshop in celebration of Bruce Reed's mathematical career, Oxford, England.

July 2022 "Product structure of planar graphs", The 11th International Colloquium on Graph Theory and combinatorics, Montpellier, France.

Jan. 2022 "Further applications of the product structure theorem", Oberwolfach graph theory meeting, Oberwolfach, Germany.

Nov. 2021 "Sparse universal graphs for planarity", Banff Workshop on "Graph product structure theorems", Banff International Research Station, Banff, Canada.[2]

Sept. 2021 "Product structure of planar graphs", Dagstuhl Seminar on "Sparsity in Algorithms, Combinatorics and Logic", Dagstuhl, Germany.

May 2021 "The extension dimension and the linear extension polytope of a poset", CANADAM 2021, online.

May 2021 "Sparse universal graphs for planarity", CANADAM 2021, online.[3]

Aug. 2020 "Packing and covering balls in graphs excluding a minor", Virtual Discrete Math Colloquium organized by IBS Discrete Mathematics Group, Daejeon, South Korea (online talk).

May 2020 "Product structure of planar graphs", JCRAALMA Online Spring School on Product Structure Theorems (online lecture).[4]

Aug. 2019 "Large independent sets in triangle-free subcubic graphs", Ghent graph theory workshop, Ghent, Belgium.

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June 2019 "Large independent sets in triangle-free subcubic graphs", Structural graph theory workshop, Gułtowy, Poland.

May 2019 "Layered partitions of planar graphs", Graph theory and sparse structures workshop, Paris, France.

Jan. 2019 "Large independent sets in triangle-free subcubic graphs", Oberwolfach graph theory meeting, Oberwolfach, Germany.

Dec. 2018 "Large independent sets in triangle-free subcubic graphs", Conference in honor of Stéphan Thomassé, Lyon, France.

Sept. 2018 "Generalized coloring numbers", Order & Geometry workshop, Ciazen, Poland.

Jun. 2018 "Seymour's conjecture on 2-connected graphs of large pathwidth", Mini-Workshop on Graph Theory, Nijmegen, The Netherlands.

Jan. 2018 "Graph entropy and sorting: From classical to quantum", Aussois optimization workshop, Aussois, France.

Nov. 2017 "Weak coloring numbers", Journées Graphes et Algorithmes (JGA 2017), Bordeaux, France.

Nov. 2017 "Graph entropy and sorting: From classical to quantum", Workshop in honor of János Körner, Rome, Italy.

June 2017 "Progress on the AVD edge coloring conjecture", CANADAM 2017, Toronto, Canada.

July 2016 "Sparsity and dimension", 2016 Workshop on Structure in Graphs and Matroids, Eindhoven University of Technology, Eindhoven, The Netherlands.

March 2016 "Sparsity and dimension", Bellairs workshop on graph theory, Holetown, Barbados.

Oct. 2015 "Sparsity and dimension", 7th workshop on Graph Classes, Optimization, and Width Parameters (GROW 2015), Aussois, France.

June 2015 "Sparsity and dimension", Workshop on Structure in Combinatorics, Institut Henri Poincaré, Paris, France.

June 2014 "On the dimension of posets with cover graphs of treewidth 2", SIAM Conference on Discrete Mathematics, Minneapolis, United States.

Apr. 2013 "Tree-width and dimension", Conference honoring the 65th birthday of Jean-Paul Doignon, Université Libre de Bruxelles, Brussels, Belgium.

Mar. 2013 "Tree-width and dimension", Dagstuhl Seminar on Bidimensional Structures: Algorithms, Combinatorics and Logic. Dagstuhl, Germany.

Aug. 2012 "Excluded forest minors and the Erdős-Pósa property", 21st International Symposium on Mathematical Programming (ISMP 2012), Berlin, Germany.

June 2012 "Nonrepetitive coloring via entropy compression", Journées Combinatoires Rhone, Alpes, Provence. Lyon, France.

June 2012 "An improved bound for First-Fit on posets without two long incomparable chains", SIAM Conference on Discrete Mathematics, Halifax, Canada.

May 2012 "Excluded forest minors and the Erdős-Pósa property", Graph Theory @ Georgia Tech, Conference honoring the 50th birthday of Robin Thomas, Atlanta, United States.

June 2011 "Hitting and harvesting pumpkins", 7th Slovenian International Conference on Graph Theory, Bled, Slovenia.

Sept. 2010 "Small minors in dense graphs", Banff Workshop on New Trends in Structural Graph Theory, Banff, Canada.

June 2010 "Sorting under partial information (without the ellipsoid algorithm)", 42th ACM Symposium on Theory of Computing (STOC 2010), Cambridge, Massachusetts, USA.

Jan. 2010 "Sorting under partial information (without the ellipsoid algorithm)", 14th Combinatorial Optimization Workshop, Aussois, France.

Dec. 2009 "The Stackelberg minimum spanning tree game on planar and bounded-treewidth graphs", 5th Workshop on Internet & Network Economics, Rome, Italy.

Nov. 2009 "Complete graph minors and the graph minor structure theorem", 11èmes Journées Graphes et Algorithmes, Montpellier, France.

May 2008 "Weighted graphs defining facets: a connection between stable set and linear ordering polytopes", ROGICS 2008: International Conference on Relations, Orders and Graphs: Interaction with Computer Science, Mahdia, Tunisia.

Nov. 2006 "Tight results on minimum entropy set cover", DIAMANT/EIDMA Symposium 2006, Vught, The Netherlands.

Aug. 2006 "Tight results on minimum entropy set cover", 9th International Workshop on Approximation Algorithms for Combinatorial Optimization Problems, Barcelona, Spain.

June 2006 "Graphes pondérés produisant des facettes du polytope des ordres totaux", Troisièmes Journées Polyèdres et Optimisation Combinatoire, Avignon, France.

May 2006 "On weighted graphs yielding facets of the linear ordering polytope", DIMACS Workshop on Polyhedral Combinatorics of Random Utility, Rutgers University, New Jersey, USA.

Dec. 2005 "Minimum entropy coloring", 16th International Symposium on Algorithms and Computation, Sanya, China.

Nov. 2005 "A weighted generalization of α-critical graphs in connection with linear ordering polytopes", DIAMANT/EIDMA Symposium 2005, Mierlo, The Netherlands.

Sept. 2005 "On a weighted generalization of α-critical graphs", 7th International Colloquium on Graph Theory, Hyères, France.

June 2005 "Une nouvelle famille de facettes du polytope des ordres totaux", Deuxièmes Journées Polyèdres et Optimisation Combinatoire, 2005, Marseille, France.

Talks in seminars

May 2024 "How to decompose planar graphs?", Departmental seminar, Université Paris Dauphine, Paris, France.

Jan. 2024 "How to decompose planar graphs?", Departmental seminar, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven, Kulak Campus, Kortrijk, Belgium.

Dec. 2023 "How to decompose planar graphs?", No free lunch seminar, University of Antwerp, Antwerp, Belgium.

Oct. 2023 "χ-boundedness for posets", Algorithm seminar, Carleton University, Ottawa, Canada.

Nov. 2022 "New results on treedepth", Discrete mathematics seminar, Monash University, Melbourne, Australia.

Mar. 2021 "Approximating pathwidth for graphs of small treewidth", Bordeaux Graphs & Optimization seminar (online).[5]

Nov. 2020 "Sparse universal graphs for planarity", Oxford discrete mathematics and probability seminar (online).[6]

Oct. 2019 "A new proof of the Erdős-Pósa theorem", Combinatorics Seminar, Department of Theoretical Computer Science, Jagiellonian University, Kraków, Poland.

Mar. 2018 "Seymour's conjecture on 2-connected graphs of large pathwidth", INRIA Sophia-Antipolis, Sophia-Antipolis, France.

Mar. 2018 "Seymour's conjecture on 2-connected graphs of large pathwidth", Ghent University, Ghent, Belgium.

Feb. 2018 "Seymour's conjecture on 2-connected graphs of large pathwidth", Laboratoire d'Informatique Fondamentale, Marseille, France.

Feb. 2017 "The forbidden minors for isometric realizability in the plane", Probabilidade e Combinatória, Instituto Nacional de Matemática Pura e Aplicada, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.

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Dec. 2016 "Orthogonal tree decompositions of graphs", Combinatorics Seminar, Mathematics Department, FU Berlin, Berlin, Germany.

Jun. 2016 "Improved approximation algorithms for hitting 3-vertex paths", Combinatorics Seminar, Department of Theoretical Computer Science, Jagiellonian University, Kraków, Poland.

Jan. 2016 "Dimension of planar posets", Methods for Discrete Structures seminar, TU Berlin, Berlin, Germany.

May 2014 "Probabilistic algorithms and the entropy compression method", TRICS Seminar, Department of Computing and Information Systems, The University of Melbourne, Melbourne, Australia.

Apr. 2014 "Tree-width and dimension", Seminar on Discrete Structures and Algorithms, Department of Mathematics and Statistics, The University of Melbourne, Melbourne, Australia.

Mar. 2014 "Tree-width and dimension", Discrete mathematics seminar, Monash University, Melbourne, Australia.

June 2013 "On Sheehan's second hamiltonian cycle conjecture", Algorithms, graphs, and combinatorics seminar, Université de Montpellier, Montpellier, France.

May 2013 "On Sheehan's second hamiltonian cycle conjecture", Algebra & Combinatorics seminar, Université Libre de Bruxelles, Brussels, Belgium.

Dec. 2012 "On Moser's constructive proof of the local lemma", Theoretical computer science seminar, Université de Montréal, Montreal, Canada

Nov. 2012 "Nonrepetitive coloring via entropy compression", Combinatorics and Optimization seminar, University of Ottawa, Ottawa, Canada

Oct. 2012 "Nonrepetitive coloring via entropy compression", Discrete Mathematics and Optimization seminar, McGill University, Montreal, Canada

Apr. 2012 "Excluded forest minors and the Erdős-Pósa property", Combinatorics Seminar, Department of Theoretical Computer Science, Jagiellonian University, Kraków, Poland.

Apr. 2012 "Sorting under partial information (without the ellipsoid algorithm)", Theoretical Computer Science Seminar, Department of Theoretical Computer Science, Jagiellonian University, Kraków, Poland.

Oct. 2011 "First-Fit chain partitioning of partial orders", Seminar on Discrete Structures and Algorithms, Department of Mathematics and Statistics, The University of Melbourne, Melbourne, Australia.

Apr. 2011 "Sorting under partial information (without the ellipsoid algorithm)", Combinatorial Optimization group of the G-SCOP Laboratory, Grenoble, France.

Dec. 2010 "Small minors in dense graphs", Department of Computer Sciences, Università degli studi di Roma "La Sapienza", Rome, Italy.

Oct. 2010 "Small minors in dense graphs", Algorithms, graphs, and combinatorics seminar, Université de Montpellier, Montpellier, France.

Oct. 2010 "Small minors in dense graphs", Centrum for Wiskunde en Informatica (CWI), Amsterdam, Netherlands.

May 2010 "Small minors in dense graphs", Discrete Mathematics and Optimization seminar, McGill University, Montreal, Canada

Mar. 2010 "Irreducible triangulations of surfaces", Department of Applied Mathematics, Université Catholique de Louvain, Louvain-La-Neuve, Belgium.

Dec. 2009 "Sorting under partial information (without the ellipsoid algorithm)", Department of Computer Sciences, Università degli studi di Roma "La Sapienza", Rome, Italy.

Dec. 2009 "Sorting under partial information (without the ellipsoid algorithm)", Operations Research Group, Università degli studi di Roma "Tor Vergata", Rome, Italy.

June 2009 "An efficient algorithm for partial order production", Seminar on Discrete Structures and Algorithms, Department of Mathematics and Statistics, The University of Melbourne, Melbourne, Australia.

Febr. 2009 "An efficient algorithm for partial order production", Seminar of the research group on Large Graphs and Networks at Université Catholique de Louvain, Louvain-La-Neuve, Belgium.

Apr. 2007 "Facets of the linear ordering polytope from a generalization of α-critical graphs", Seminar of the Egerváry Research Group on Combinatorial Optimization (EGRES), Budapest, Hungary.

Febr. 2005 "Graphs defining facets of the linear ordering polytope", ULB-RUG Seminar on Buildings and Finite Geometry, Brussels, Belgium.

Lectures at Spring & Summer Schools

• Lecturer at the Brussels Summer School in Mathematics, Brussels. August 2024.
Topic: "How to decompose planar graphs?". (2 hours lecture.)

• Lecturer at the Algorithms and Mathematics Network Spring School, Krakow, Poland. May 2022.
Topic: "Product stucture of planar graphs". (15 hours lecture over 5 days.)[7]

• Lecturer at the Cargese workshop on combinatorial optimization, Cargese, France. October 2018.
Topic: "Erdős-Pósa property of planar minors". (3 hours lecture.)

• Lecturer at the Brussels Summer School in Mathematics, Brussels. August 2015.
Topic: "The probabilistic method". (2 hours lecture.)

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[7] https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLGxkIOmIkI4q7PYHmqMpDRTpWKJ4Oc8-t

- Lecturer at the Order and Geometry Summer School, Dölnnsee, Germany. August 2013. Topic: "Entropy of partial orders". (5 hours lecture.)

Other activities

Member of the editorial board of the following journals:

- *Innovations in Graph Theory* since 2023.

- *SIAM Journal on Discrete Mathematics* since 2021.

- *Annals of Combinatorics* since 2019.

Member of the program committee of the following conferences:

- *52nd International Workshop on Graph-Theoretic Concepts in Computer Science (WG 2026)*

- *51st International Conference on Current Trends in Theory and Practice of Computer Science (SOFSEM 2026)*

- *35th Annual ACM-SIAM Symposium on Discrete Algorithms (SODA 2024)*

- *24th International Conference on Approximation Algorithms for Combinatorial Optimization Problems (APPROX 2021)*

- *47th International Workshop on Graph-Theoretic Concepts in Computer Science (WG 2021)*

- *2nd Conference on Algorithms and Discrete Applied Mathematics (CALDAM 2016)*

- *Journées Graphes et Algorithmes:* Years 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024

Organizer of the *2nd Belgian Graph Theory Conference (BGTC 2025)* at ULB (3 days).

Organizer of the French graph theory conference *Journées Graphes et Algorithmes 2019* at ULB (3 days).

Teaching

I taught the following courses at ULB since starting my teaching position there:

- INFOF106 - Projet d'informatique: *2012–2013, 2014–2015, 2015–2016, 2016–2017, 2017–2018, 2018–2019, 2019–2020, 2020–2021, 2021–2022, 2022–2023, 2023–2024, 2024–2025, 2025–2026*

- INFOF206 - Informatique: *Fall 2014, Fall 2015, Fall 2016, Fall 2017, Fall 2018, Fall 2019*

- INFOF521 - Graph theory: *Fall 2010, Spring 2012, Spring 2013, Fall 2015, Fall 2016, Fall 2017, Fall 2019, Fall 2020, Fall 2021, Fall 2022, Fall 2023*

- Algorithmique (UMons, Charleroi campus): *Fall 2014, Spring 2016, Spring 2017, Spring 2018, Spring 2019, Spring 2020, Spring 2022, Spring 2023, Spring 2024, Spring 2025*

- MATHF306 - Optimisation: *Spring 2019*

- INFOF421 - Advanced complexity theory and approximation algorithms: *Fall 2014*

I also served as a TA for exercise sessions for various courses at ULB between 2004 and 2010.