

# Maria van der Walt | Curriculum Vitae

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## Education

<b>University of Missouri-St. Louis</b> <i>Doctor of Philosophy (Applied Mathematics)</i> Title of thesis: "Wavelet analysis of non-stationary signals with applications" Thesis advisor: C.K. Chui	<b>St. Louis, MO</b> May 2015
<b>Stellenbosch University</b> <i>Master of Science (Mathematics), Cum Laude</i> Title of thesis: "Ternary interpolatory subdivision" Supervisor: J.M. de Villiers	<b>Stellenbosch, South Africa</b> December 2012
<b>Stellenbosch University</b> <i>Bachelor of Science (Honors) (Mathematics), Cum Laude</i>	<b>Stellenbosch, South Africa</b> December 2010
<b>Stellenbosch University</b> <i>Bachelor of Science (Mathematical Sciences), Cum Laude</i> Majors: Mathematics, Applied Mathematics	<b>Stellenbosch, South Africa</b> December 2009

## Employment history

<b>Vanderbilt University</b> <i>Assistant professor</i> Courses taught: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Methods of Linear Algebra</li><li>○ Accelerated Single-Variable Calculus II</li><li>○ Differential Equations and Linear Algebra</li></ul>	<b>Nashville, TN</b> August 2015 – present Fall 2016 Summer 2016 Spring 2016
<b>University of Missouri-St. Louis</b> <i>Graduate teaching assistant / Instructor</i> Courses taught as instructor of record: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Trigonometry</li><li>○ Basic Probability and Statistics</li><li>○ Intermediate Algebra</li><li>○ Beginning Algebra</li></ul>	<b>St. Louis, MO</b> January 2013 – May 2015 Spring 2014, Fall 2014, Spring 2015 Spring 2014 Fall 2013 Fall 2013
<b>Stellenbosch University</b> <i>Temporary lecturer</i> Courses taught: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Calculus I</li></ul>	<b>Stellenbosch, South Africa</b> July 2012 – December 2012
<b>Stellenbosch University</b> <i>Tutorial coordinator</i> Tutorial programs managed: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Mathematics for the Biological Sciences</li></ul>	<b>Stellenbosch, South Africa</b> January 2012 – July 2012

## Stellenbosch University

Teaching assistant

Courses tutored:

○ Calculus I	2009,2011,2012
○ Mathematics for the Biological Sciences	2009,2010,2011,2012
○ Introductory Mathematics	2010
○ Introductory Differential and Integral Calculus	2010,2011
○ Further Differential and Integral Calculus	2010,2011
○ Differential Equations and Linear Algebra	2011,2012
○ Series, Partial Differential Equations and Fourier Transform	2010,2011
○ Linear Programming	2009
○ Nonlinear Optimization	2009

## Stellenbosch, South Africa

January 2009 – July 2012

## Research papers and publications

- C.V. Beccari, M. Neamtu and M.D. van der Walt, “On the approximation order of rational geometric splines”, in preparation.
- M.D. van der Walt, “Real-time, local spline interpolation schemes on bounded intervals”, Applied Mathematical Sciences, 10(5): 205–234, 2016.
- C.K. Chui, H.N. Mhaskar and M.D. van der Walt, “Data-driven atomic decomposition of real-world signals”, International Journal on Geomathematics, 6(1):1–30, 2016.
- C.K. Chui and M.D. van der Walt, “Signal analysis via instantaneous frequency estimation of signal components”, International Journal on Geomathematics, 6(1):1–42, 2015.

## Conference, colloquium and seminar talks

### Mecklenburg Workshop on

#### Approximation Methods and Data Analysis

Hasenwinkel, Germany

Title of talk: “Data-driven atomic decomposition via frequency extraction of intrinsic mode functions”

September 5–9, 2016

### 15<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Approximation Theory

San Antonio, TX

Title of talk: “Data-driven atomic decomposition via frequency extraction of intrinsic mode functions”

May 22–25, 2016

### Colloquium: Department of Mathematical and Statistical Sciences, University of Alberta

Edmonton, Canada

Title of talk: “Signal analysis via instantaneous frequency estimation of signal components”

February 3, 2015

### Computational Analysis Seminar: Vanderbilt University

Nashville, TN

Title of talk: “Signal analysis via instantaneous frequency estimation of signal components”

November 12, 2014

### Analysis Seminar: Saint Louis University

St. Louis, MO

Title of talk: “Signal analysis via instantaneous frequency estimation of signal components”

November 7, 2014

### 55<sup>th</sup> Annual SAMS Congress

Stellenbosch, South Africa

Title of talk: "Ternary interpolatory subdivision"

October 31 - November 2, 2012

**Postgraduate Seminar: Department of Mathematical Sciences,  
Stellenbosch University**

**Stellenbosch, South Africa**

Title of talk: "Ternary interpolatory subdivision"

May 11, 2012

## Awards

**University of Missouri-St. Louis**

**St. Louis, MO**

Edward Z. Andalafte Memorial Scholarship

2015

Graduate School Doctoral Recruitment Fellowship

2013,2014

**Stellenbosch University**

**Stellenbosch, South Africa**

Stellenbosch University medal for the best master's student in the  
Faculty of Science

2012

Harry Crossley bursary

2011,2012

Dean's medal for the best achieving honors student in the Faculty of Science

2010

Rector's award for excellent achievement (academic) for the best achieving  
honors student in the Faculty of Science

2010

Bursary from Elaine Forsyth Memorial Trust

2008,2009,2010

G.B.B. Rubbi book prize for best marks obtained in Mathematics

2007,2008,2009,2010

Merit bursary

2007,2008,2009,2010

**Other**

**South Africa**

6<sup>th</sup> highest final grade in the Western Cape province in the  
Senior Certificate Examinations

2006

Highest marks in the Western Cape province in Mathematics and Music  
in the Senior Certificate Examinations

2006

## Service

- Review Editor for *Mathematics of Computation and Data Science*,  
Frontiers in Applied Mathematics and Statistics
- Referee for *Signal Processing*
- Referee for *Journal of Approximation Theory*
- Referee for *Applied and Computational Harmonic Analysis*

September 2016 – present

2016

2015

2015

## References

**Prof. Mike Neamtu**

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**Prof. Haiyan Cai**

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**Prof. Charles K. Chui**

PhD thesis advisor

✉ ckchui@stanford.edu ☎ (650) 853-3034

**Prof. H.N. Mhaskar**

Collaborator

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