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Education

since 10/2016 **Doctoral Studies, Mathematics**, *Otto von Guericke University*, Magdeburg, Germany.

- 10/2016–09/2019: Project research in the Priority Program 1897 “Calm, Smooth and Smart – Novel Approaches for Influencing Vibrations by Means of Deliberately Introduced Dissipation”.
- since 04/2017: Associated researcher in the Research Training Group 2297 “MathCoRe”, Magdeburg.

10/2014–09/2016 **Master of Science, Mathematics**, *Otto von Guericke University*, Magdeburg, Germany, very good with distinction.

Thesis: *Hankel-Norm Approximation of Descriptor Systems* [27]

10/2011–09/2014 **Bachelor of Science, Mathematics**, *Otto von Guericke University*, Magdeburg, Germany, very good with distinction.

Thesis: *Numerische Berechnung der Eigenwerte großer Hamiltonisch-positiver Matrizen* [28]

07/2011 **Abitur (university entrance diploma)**, *Diesterweg-Gymnasium*, Tangermünde-Havelberg, Germany.

Professional Experience

- since 10/2016 **Doctoral researcher**, *Computational Methods in Systems and Control Theory*, Max Planck Institute for Dynamics of Complex Technical Systems, Magdeburg, Germany.
- 05/2016–09/2016, 10/2014–01/2016 **Student employee**, *Computational Methods in Systems and Control Theory*, Max Planck Institute for Dynamics of Complex Technical Systems, Magdeburg, Germany.
- Development and maintenance of MATLAB toolboxes and codes
- 01/2016–04/2016 **Industrial intern**, *proALPHA Business Solutions GmbH*, Weilerbach, Germany.
- Analysis of modern version control systems
 - Application programming
- 10/2013–09/2014 **Student employee**, *Otto von Guericke University*, Magdeburg, Germany.
- Tutor for mathematical courses
 - Tutor for the consultation of the Department of Mathematics

Research Interests

model order reduction, mathematical software, differential-algebraic equations, mechanical systems, matrix equations, numerical linear algebra, scientific computing

Publications

Submitted

- [1] P. Benner, J. Heiland, and S. W. R. Werner. Robust output-feedback stabilization for incompressible flows using low-dimensional \mathcal{H}_∞ -controllers. e-print 2103.01608, arXiv, 2021. math.OC. URL: <https://arxiv.org/abs/2103.01608>.
- [2] R. S. Beddig, P. Benner, I. Dorschky, T. Reis, P. Schwerdtner, M. Voigt, and S. W. R. Werner. Structure-preserving model reduction for dissipative mechanical systems. e-print 2010.06331, arXiv, 2020. math.OC. URL: <https://arxiv.org/abs/2010.06331>.
- [3] P. Benner and S. W. R. Werner. MORLAB – the Model Order Reduction LABoratory. e-print 2002.12682, arXiv, 2020. cs.MS. URL: <https://arxiv.org/abs/2002.12682>.

Journal Articles

- [4] P. Benner, S. Gugercin, and S. W. R. Werner. Structure-preserving interpolation for model reduction of parametric bilinear systems. *Automatica J. IFAC*, 132:109799, 2021. doi:10.1016/j.automatica.2021.109799.
- [5] P. Benner, S. Gugercin, and S. W. R. Werner. Structure-preserving interpolation of bilinear control systems. *Adv. Comput. Math.*, 47(3):43, 2021. doi:10.1007/s10444-021-09863-w.
- [6] P. Benner and S. W. R. Werner. Frequency- and time-limited balanced truncation for large-scale second-order systems. *Linear Algebra Appl.*, 623:68–103, 2021. Special

issue in honor of P. Van Dooren, Edited by F. Dopico, D. Kressner, N. Mastronardi, V. Mehrmann, and R. Vandebril. [doi:10.1016/j.laa.2020.06.024](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.laa.2020.06.024).

- [7] P. Benner and S. W. R. Werner. Hankel-norm approximation of large-scale descriptor systems. *Adv. Comput. Math.*, 46(3):40, 2020. [doi:10.1007/s10444-020-09750-w](https://doi.org/10.1007/s10444-020-09750-w).
- [8] J. Saak, D. Siebelts, and S. W. R. Werner. A comparison of second-order model order reduction methods for an artificial fishtail. *at-Automatisierungstechnik*, 67(8):648–667, 2019. [doi:10.1515/auto-2019-0027](https://doi.org/10.1515/auto-2019-0027).

Conference Proceedings

- [9] P. Benner and S. W. R. Werner. MORLAB – A model order reduction framework in MATLAB and Octave. In A. M. Bigatti, J. Carette, J. H. Davenport, M. Joswig, and T. de Wolff, editors, *Mathematical Software – ICMS 2020*, volume 12097 of *Lecture Notes in Comput. Sci.*, pages 432–441. Springer International Publishing, Cham, 2020. [doi:10.1007/978-3-030-52200-1_43](https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-030-52200-1_43).
- [10] P. Benner and S. W. R. Werner. Frequenz- und zeitbeschränktes balanciertes Abschneiden für Systeme zweiter Ordnung. In T. Meurer and F. Woittennek, editors, *Tagungsband GMA-FA 1.30 'Modellbildung, Identifikation und Simulation in der Automatisierungstechnik' und GMA-FA 1.40 'Systemtheorie und Regelungstechnik', Workshops in Anif, Salzburg, 23.-27.09.2019*, pages 460–474, 2019. URL: <http://www.control.tf.uni-kiel.de/files/gma/2019/Tagungsband2019.pdf>.
- [11] P. Benner and S. W. R. Werner. MORLAB – Model Order Reduction LABoratory. In T. Meurer and F. Woittennek, editors, *Tagungsband GMA-FA 1.30 'Modellbildung, Identifikation und Simulation in der Automatisierungstechnik' und GMA-FA 1.40 'Systemtheorie und Regelungstechnik', Workshops in Anif, Salzburg, 23.-27.09.2019*, pages 337–342, 2019. URL: <http://www.control.tf.uni-kiel.de/files/gma/2019/Tagungsband2019.pdf>.
- [12] R. S. Beddig, P. Benner, I. Dorschky, T. Reis, P. Schwerdtner, M. Voigt, and S. W. R. Werner. Model reduction for second-order dynamical systems revisited. *Proc. Appl. Math. Mech.*, 19(1):e201900224, 2019. [doi:10.1002/pamm.201900224](https://doi.org/10.1002/pamm.201900224).
- [13] P. Benner, J. Heiland, and S. W. R. Werner. Robust controller versus numerical model uncertainties for stabilization of Navier-Stokes equations. *IFAC-PapersOnLine*, 52(2):25–29, 2019. 3rd IFAC/IEEE CSS Workshop on Control of Systems Governed by Partial Differential Equation CPDE 2019. [doi:10.1016/j.ifacol.2019.08.005](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ifacol.2019.08.005).
- [14] P. Benner and S. W. R. Werner. Balancing related model reduction with the MORLAB toolbox. *Proc. Appl. Math. Mech.*, 18(1):e201800083, 2018. [doi:10.1002/pamm.201800083](https://doi.org/10.1002/pamm.201800083).
- [15] P. Benner and S. W. R. Werner. Model reduction of descriptor systems with the MORLAB toolbox. *IFAC-PapersOnLine 9th Vienna International Conference on*

Mathematical Modelling MATHMOD 2018, Vienna, Austria, 21–23 February 2018, 51(2):547–552, 2018. doi:10.1016/j.ifacol.2018.03.092.

- [16] P. Benner and S. W. R. Werner. MORLAB – Modellreduktion in MATLAB. In T. Meurer and F. Woittennek, editors, *Tagungsband GMA-FA 1.30 'Modellierung, Identifikation und Simulation in der Automatisierungstechnik' und GMA-FA 1.40 'Theoretische Verfahren der Regelungstechnik', Workshop in Anif, Salzburg, 18.-22.09.2017*, pages 508–517, 2017. URL: <http://www.control.tf.uni-kiel.de/files/gma/2017/Tagungsband2017.pdf>.
- [17] P. Benner and S. W. R. Werner. On the transformation formulas of the Hankel-norm approximation. *Proc. Appl. Math. Mech.*, 17(1):823–824, 2017. doi:10.1002/pamm.201710379.

Software

- [18] P. Benner and S. W. R. Werner. SOLBT – Limited balanced truncation for large-scale sparse second-order systems (version 3.0), April 2021. doi:10.5281/zenodo.4600763.
- [19] P. Benner and S. W. R. Werner. SOMDDPA – Second-Order Modally-Damped Dominant Pole Algorithm (version 2.0), April 2021. doi:10.5281/zenodo.3997649.
- [20] P. Benner and S. W. R. Werner. SOMDDPA – Second-Order Modally-Damped Dominant Pole Algorithm (version 1.1), 2020. doi:10.5281/zenodo.3332706.
- [21] P. Benner and S. W. R. Werner. Limited balanced truncation for large-scale sparse second-order systems (version 2.0), 2020. doi:10.5281/zenodo.3331592.
- [22] P. Benner and S. W. R. Werner. MORLAB – Model Order Reduction LABoratory (version 5.0), 2019. see also: <http://www.mpi-magdeburg.mpg.de/projects/morlab>. doi:10.5281/zenodo.3332716.
- [23] P. Benner and S. W. R. Werner. Limited balanced truncation for large-scale sparse second-order systems (version 1.0), 2019. doi:10.5281/zenodo.2553926.
- [24] P. Benner and S. W. R. Werner. SOMDDPA – Second-Order Modally Damped Dominant Pole Algorithm (version 1.0), 2019. doi:10.5281/zenodo.2553902.
- [25] P. Benner and S. W. R. Werner. MORLAB – Model Order Reduction LABoratory (version 4.0), 2018. see also: <http://www.mpi-magdeburg.mpg.de/projects/morlab>. doi:10.5281/zenodo.1574083.
- [26] P. Benner and S. W. R. Werner. MORLAB-3.0 – model order reduction laboratory, 2017. see also: <http://www.mpi-magdeburg.mpg.de/projects/morlab>. doi:10.5281/zenodo.842659.

Theses

- [27] S. Werner. Hankel-norm approximation of descriptor systems. Master's thesis, Otto-von-Guericke-Universität, Magdeburg, Germany, 2016. doi:10.25673/4507.

- [28] S. Werner. Numerische Berechnung der Eigenwerte großer Hamiltonisch-positiver Matrizen. Bachelor's thesis, Otto-von-Guericke-Universität, Magdeburg, Germany, 2014.

Contributions to Other Projects

I made contributions to the content of the following software projects:

- J. Saak, M. Köhler, and P. Benner. M-M.E.S.S.-2.1 – The Matrix Equations Sparse Solvers Library, April 2021. see also: <https://www.mpi-magdeburg.mpg.de/projects/mess>. doi:10.5281/zenodo.4719688.
- J. Saak, M. Köhler, and P. Benner. M-M.E.S.S.-2.0.1 – The Matrix Equations Sparse Solvers Library, February 2020. see also: <https://www.mpi-magdeburg.mpg.de/projects/mess>. doi:10.5281/zenodo.3606345.
- J. Saak, M. Köhler, and P. Benner. M-M.E.S.S.-2.0 – The Matrix Equations Sparse Solvers Library, August 2019. see also: <https://www.mpi-magdeburg.mpg.de/projects/mess>. doi:10.5281/zenodo.3368844.
- J. Saak, M. Köhler, and P. Benner. M-M.E.S.S.-1.0.1 – The Matrix Equations Sparse Solvers Library, April 2016. see also: <https://www.mpi-magdeburg.mpg.de/projects/mess>. doi:10.5281/zenodo.50575.

Presentations

- 20/07/2021 **Robust Output-Feedback Stabilization for Incompressible Flows using Low-Dimensional H-Infinity Controllers**, *SIAM Conference on Control and Its Applications (CT21)*, Spokane, Washington, USA, (invited minisymposium talk, online conference).
- 24/06/2021 **Structure-Preserving Interpolation for Bilinear Systems**, *8th European Congress of Mathematics (8ECM)*, Portorož, Slovenia, (invited minisymposium talk, online conference).
- 16/03/2021 **Structure-Preserving Model Reduction for Bilinear Systems**, *91st GAMM Annual Meeting, Section "Dynamics and Control" (GAMM 2020@21)*, Kassel, Germany, (online conference).
- 11/01/2021 **Model Reduction of Parametric Bilinear Mechanical Systems**, *14th World Congress in Computational Mechanics and ECCOMAS Congress (WCCM-ECCOMAS 2020)*, Paris, France, (online conference).
- 16/07/2020 **MORLAB – A Model Order Reduction Framework in MATLAB & Octave**, *International Congress on Mathematical Software (ICMS 2020)*, Braunschweig, Germany, (online conference).
- 20/05/2020 **Structure-Preserving Interpolation for Bilinear Control Systems**, *Weekly Fellow Seminar Series of "MathCoRe"*, Magdeburg, Germany, (online seminar).
- 25/09/2019 **Frequenz- und zeitbeschränktes balanciertes Abschneiden für Systeme zweiter Ordnung**, *Meeting of the GMA Fachausschuss 1.30 "Modellbildung, Identifikation und Simulation in der Automatisierungstechnik" and GMA Fachausschuss 1.40 "Systemtheorie und Regelungstechnik"*, Anif, Austria.

- 25/09/2019 **MORLAB – Model Order Reduction LABoratory**, Meeting of the GMA Fachausschuss 1.30 “Modellbildung, Identifikation und Simulation in der Automatisierungstechnik” and GMA Fachausschuss 1.40 “Systemtheorie und Regelungstechnik”, Anif, Austria, (interactive software session).
- 10/09/2019 **Limited Model Reduction for an Artificial Fishtail**, Meeting of the European SIAM and GAMM Student Chapters (MESIGA 2019), Aachen, Germany.
- 30/08/2019 **Frequency- and Time-Limited Balanced Truncation for Second-Order Systems**, 4th Workshop on Model Reduction of Complex Dynamical Systems (MODRED 2019), Graz, Austria.
- 26/06/2019 **How to Reduce the Model of an Artificial Fishtail**, Weekly Fellow Seminar Series of “MathCoRe”, Magdeburg, Germany.
- 20/05/2019 **Robust Controller versus Numerical Model Uncertainties for Stabilization of Navier-Stokes Equations**, 3rd IFAC/IEEE CSS Workshop on Control of Systems Governed by Partial Differential Equations CPDE and XI Workshop Control of Distributed Parameter Systems, CDPS 2019, Oaxaca, Mexico, (invited session talk).
- 28/02/2019 **H-Infinity Balanced Truncation for Feedback Control of Flow Problems**, SIAM Conference on Computational Science and Engineering (CSE19), Spokane, Washington, USA, (invited minisymposium talk).
- 22/02/2019 **H-Infinity Balanced Truncation for Feedback Control of Flow Problems**, Applied Numerical Analysis Seminar, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, Blacksburg, Virginia, USA, (invited seminar talk).
- 21/09/2018 **MORLAB – A Model Reduction Framework in MATLAB & Octave**, Meeting of the European SIAM and GAMM Student Chapters (MESIGA 2018), Berlin, Germany.
- 16/05/2018 **Model Reduction of Linear Dynamical Systems with the MORLAB Toolbox**, Weekly Fellow Seminar Series of “MathCoRe”, Magdeburg, Germany.
- 20/04/2018 **MORLAB – A Framework for Model Reduction in MATLAB & OCTAVE**, GAMM-Fachausschuss Dynamik und Regelungstheorie, Berlin, Germany.
- 21/03/2018 **Balancing Related Model Reduction with the MORLAB Toolbox**, 89th GAMM Annual Meeting, Section “Dynamics and Control”, Munich, Germany.
- 22/02/2018 **Model Reduction of Descriptor Systems with the MORLAB Toolbox**, 9th Vienna International Conference on Mathematical Modeling (MATHMOD 2018), Vienna, Austria.
- 22/09/2017 **MORLAB – Modellreduktion in MATLAB**, Meeting of the GMA Fachausschuss 1.30 “Modellbildung, Identifikation und Simulation in der Automatisierungstechnik” and GMA Fachausschuss 1.40 “Systemtheorie und Regelungstechnik”, Anif, Austria.
- 17/05/2017 **Model Reduction for Linear Systems**, Weekly Fellow Seminar Series of “Math-CoRe”, Magdeburg, Germany.
- 09/03/2017 **Hankel-Norm Approximation of Descriptor Systems**, 88th GAMM Annual Meeting, Section “Dynamics and Control”, Weimar, Germany.

12/01/2017 **Hankel-Norm Approximation of Descriptor Systems**, *3rd Workshop on Model Reduction of Complex Dynamical Systems (MODRED 2017)*, Odense, Denmark.

Posters

07/11/2019 **Solving Matrix Equations with the MORLAB Toolbox**, *METT VIII – 8th Workshop on Matrix Equations and Tensor Techniques*, Magdeburg, Germany.

28/08/2019 **MORLAB – Model Order Reduction LABORatory**, *4th Workshop on Model Reduction of Complex Dynamical Systems (MODRED 2019)*, Graz, Austria.

27/02/2019 **MORLAB – Model Order Reduction LABORatory**, *SIAM Conference on Computational Science and Engineering (CSE19)*, Spokane, Washington, USA, (invited poster).

12/04/2018 **Computing the Hankel-Norm Approximation of Large-Scale Descriptor Systems**, *Model Reduction of Parametrized Systems IV (MoRePaS 2018)*, Nantes, France.

01/06/2017 **Hankel-Norm Approximation of Descriptor Systems**, *Gene Golub SIAM Summer School: Data Sparse Approximations and Algorithms*, Berlin, Germany.

Conference/Workshop Participation without Contribution

20/06/2018–
22/06/2018 **International Workshop on Optimal Control of Dynamical Systems and Applications**, *Osijek, Croatia*.

26/02/2018–
01/03/2018 **12th Elgersburg Workshop**, *Elgersburg, Germany*.

06/09/2017–
08/09/2017 **2nd MOR PhD Students Workshop**, *Munich, Germany*.

Research Stays

02/2019–04/2019 **Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University**, *Blacksburg, Virginia, USA*, local supervisors: Prof. Serkan Gugercin, Prof. Christopher Beattie. (3 months)

Teaching

11/2019 **Introduction to MATLAB**, *Lecturer (self-directed)*, Max Planck Institute for Dynamics of Complex Technical Systems, Magdeburg, Germany, (one week compact course).

Winter term
2017/2018 **Funktionentheorie**, *Co-lecturer together with Jan Heiland*, Otto von Guericke University, Magdeburg, Germany.

Summer term
2014 **Consultation hour for the Department of Mathematics**, *Tutor*, Otto von Guericke University, Magdeburg, Germany.

- Summer term 2014 **Stochastik für Ingenieure**, *Exercise tutor*, Otto von Guericke University, Magdeburg, Germany.
- Winter term 2013/2014 **Explorative Datenanalyse**, *Exercise tutor*, Otto von Guericke University, Magdeburg, Germany.

Supervised Students

Bachelor students

- 13/06/2019 **Robert Jendersie**, *"Model Order Reduction of Linear Discrete-Time Systems"*, Co-Advisor: Christian Lessig, Otto von Guericke University, Magdeburg, Germany.

Interns

- 11/2018–03/2019 **Robert Jendersie**, *Implementations in the MORLAB toolbox and other MATLAB related coding tasks.*

Awards

- 03/2020 **Best Paper Award Automatisierungstechnik**, *for the contribution "A comparison of second-order model order reduction methods for an artificial fishtail"*, at – Automatisierungstechnik, De Gruyter, Austria.
- 06/2019 **SIAM Student Chapter Certificate of Recognition**, Society for Industrial and Applied Mathematics (SIAM), Philadelphia, USA.

Language Skills

- German Mother tongue
English Advanced
French Elementary

Programming Skills

- Expert MATLAB, LaTeX
Advanced C, Progress
Intermediate Java, Python
Basic BASIC, C++, CSS, Delphi, Haskell, HTML, Javascript, Maple, Pascal, PHP, Prolog, Shell

Additional Qualification

- 21/10/2020–23/10/2020 **Good Scientific Practice**, *Course held by Helga Nolte (CoachInScience)*, Magdeburg, Germany.
- Course content: scientific practice, data management, scientific misconduct
- 23/09/2020–25/09/2020 **Leadership Skills**, *Course held by Sabine Lerch (Soft Skills for Science)*, Magdeburg, Germany.
- Course content: leadership models, critical feedback, mediation
- 10/12/2019–11/12/2019 **Presentation Skills**, *Course held by the National Institute for Science Communication*, Karlsruhe, Germany.
- Course content: body language, presentation structures, art of persuasion

Further Activities

- since 10/2016 **Student Chapter of SIAM Magdeburg, Germany.**
- 04/2017–09/2018, 10/2019–09/2020: IT Officer
 - 10/2018–09/2019: President