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## EXPERIENCE

### Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University

*Postdoctoral associate*

Sep 2021–present

*Blacksburg, VA, United States*

- Postdoctoral Associate in the Department of Mathematics at Virginia Tech.
- Developing data-driven, optimization-based, reduced-order modeling methods.
- Contributing to the [pyMOR](#) package.

### Max Planck Institute for Dynamics of Complex Technical Systems

*Research assistant, postdoctoral researcher*

Sep 2014–Jul 2021

*Magdeburg, Germany*

- Started as a Ph.D. student at the Otto von Guericke University of Magdeburg and the graduate program “International Max Planck Research School (IMPRS) for Advanced Methods in Process and Systems Engineering (Magdeburg)”.
- In January 2020, defended the Ph.D. thesis titled “[Structure-preserving model order reduction for network systems](#)”, supervised by Prof. Dr. Peter Benner.
- Contributed to the [pyMOR](#) package since 2015, became a maintainer in September 2016.
- From January 2019, working within the “[pyMOR—Sustainable Software for Model Order Reduction](#)” project under the [DFG call “Sustainability of Research Software”](#).
- Co-supervised three undergraduate students contributing to [pyMOR](#).

## EDUCATION

### Otto von Guericke University of Magdeburg, *Ph.D. in Applied Mathematics*

Oct 2014–Jan 2020

Thesis: Structure-Preserving Model Order Reduction for Network Systems

Supervisor: Prof. Dr. Peter Benner

### University of Zagreb, *M.Sc. in Applied Mathematics*

Oct 2012–Jul 2014

Thesis: Approximation of Linear Dynamical Systems in  $\mathcal{H}_2^{p \times m}(\mathbb{C}_+)$

Supervisor: Prof. Dr. Zlatko Drmač

### University of Zagreb, *B.Sc. in Mathematics*

Oct 2009–Jul 2012

## PREPRINTS

P. Mlinarić, P. Benner, and S. Gugercin, [Interpolatory necessary optimality conditions for reduced-order modeling of parametric linear time-invariant systems](#), *submitted*, January 2024

P. Mlinarić, C. A. Beattie, Z. Drmač, and S. Gugercin, [IRKA is a Riemannian gradient descent method](#), *provisionally accepted*, November 2023

P. Mlinarić, P. Benner, and S. Gugercin, [Interpolatory  \$\mathcal{H}\_2\$ -optimality conditions for structured linear time-invariant systems](#), *provisionally accepted*, October 2023

## JOURNAL PUBLICATIONS

P. Mlinarić and S. Gugercin, [A unifying framework for interpolatory  \$\mathcal{L}\_2\$ -optimal reduced-order modeling](#), *SIAM Journal on Numerical Analysis*, September 2023

P. Mlinarić and S. Gugercin,  [\$\mathcal{L}\_2\$ -optimal reduced-order modeling using parameter-separable forms](#), *SIAM Journal on Scientific Computing*, April 2023

M. Hund, T. Mitchell, P. Mlinarić, and J. Saak, [Optimization-based parametric model order reduction via  \$\mathcal{H}\_2 \otimes \mathcal{L}\_2\$  first-order necessary conditions](#), *SIAM Journal on Scientific Computing*, June 2022

H.-J. Jongsma, P. Mlinarić, S. Grundel, P. Benner, and H. L. Trentelman, [Model reduction of linear multi-agent systems by clustering with  \$\mathcal{H}\_2\$  and  \$\mathcal{H}\_\infty\$  error bounds](#), *Mathematics of Control, Signals, and Systems*, April 2018

## BOOK CHAPTERS

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P. Mlinarić, S. Rave, and J. Saak, [Parametric model order reduction using pyMOR](#), In: P. Benner, T. Breiten, H. Faßbender, M. Hinze, T. Stykel, R. Zimmermann (eds), *Model Reduction of Complex Dynamical Systems*, August 2021

P. Benner, S. Grundel, and P. Mlinarić, [Clustering-based model order reduction for nonlinear network systems](#), In: P. Benner, T. Breiten, H. Faßbender, M. Hinze, T. Stykel, R. Zimmermann (eds), *Model Reduction of Complex Dynamical Systems*, August 2021

## CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS PUBLICATIONS

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L. Balicki, P. Mlinarić, S. Rave, and J. Saak, [System-theoretic model order reduction with pyMOR](#), *Proceedings in Applied Mathematics and Mechanics*, November 2019

M. Hund, P. Mlinarić, and J. Saak, [An  \$\mathcal{H}\_2 \otimes \mathcal{L}\_2\$ -optimal model order reduction approach for parametric linear time-invariant systems](#), *Proceedings in Applied Mathematics and Mechanics*, December 2018

P. Mlinarić, T. Ishizaki, A. Chakraborty, S. Grundel, P. Benner, and J. Imura, [Synchronization and aggregation of nonlinear power systems with consideration of bus network structures](#), *Proceedings of the European Control Conference (ECC)*, June 2018

P. Benner, S. Grundel, and P. Mlinarić, [Stability preserving model reduction for linearly coupled linear time-invariant systems](#), *Proceedings in Applied Mathematics and Mechanics*, October 2016

P. Mlinarić, S. Grundel, and P. Benner, [Clustering-based model order reduction for multi-agent systems with general linear time-invariant Agents](#), *Proceedings of the 22<sup>nd</sup> International Symposium on Mathematical Theory of Networks and Systems (MTNS)*, July 2016

P. Mlinarić, S. Grundel, and P. Benner, [Efficient model order reduction for multi-agent systems using QR decomposition-based clustering](#), *Proceedings of the 54<sup>th</sup> IEEE Conference on Decision and Control*, December 2015

## PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

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**pyMOR School 2024 co-organizer** 26–30 Aug 2024  
The sixth pyMOR School, taking place at U Münster (<https://2024.school.pymor.org/>).

**pyMOR School 2023 co-organizer** 18–22 Sep 2023  
The fifth pyMOR School, taking place at TU Berlin (<https://2023.school.pymor.org/>).

**SIAM CSE23 pyMOR minitutorial co-organizer** 1 Mar 2023  
A pyMOR minitutorial at the SIAM CSE23 conference in Amsterdam, The Netherlands.

**pyMOR School 2022 co-organizer** 22–26 Aug 2022  
The fourth pyMOR School, taking place at MPI Magdeburg (<https://2022.school.pymor.org/>).

**Virginia Tech Department of Mathematics seminar organizer** Aug 2022–Apr 2024  
Organized the Applied Numerical Analysis seminar at the Department of Mathematics at Virginia Tech.

**Virginia Tech Postdoctoral Association board member** May 2022–July 2024  
Held positions as secretary (2022/23) and communications officer (2023/24).

**pyMOR School 2021 co-organizer** 4–8 Oct 2021  
The third pyMOR School, taking place at WWU Münster (<https://2021.school.pymor.org/>).

**pyMOR Online Course 2020 co-organizer** 28 Sep–2 Oct 2020  
The second pyMOR School in an online format (<https://2020.school.pymor.org/>).

**SAMM 2020 co-organizer** 27–31 Jul 2020  
The 7<sup>th</sup> GAMM Juniors’ Summer School on Applied Mathematics and Mechanics (SAMM) with the topic [“Learning Models from Data: Model Reduction, System Identification and Machine Learning”](#).

**pyMOR School 2019 co-organizer** 7–11 Oct 2019  
The first pyMOR School, taking place at MPI Magdeburg (<https://2019.school.pymor.org/>).

**SIAM Student Chapter of Magdeburg officer** Oct 2015–Sep 2017  
Held positions as president (2015/16) and secretary (2016/17).

### Reviewer

Applied Mathematics Modeling, Applied Mathematics and Computation, Automatica, Computer Methods in Applied Mechanics and Engineering European Journal of Control, GAMM Archive for Students, IEEE Control Systems Letters, IEEE Transactions on Automatic Control ( $\times 4$ ), Journal of Computational Physics,

MDPI Mathematics ( $\times 3$ ), SIAM Journal on Control and Optimization, SIAM Journal on Matrix Analysis and Applications, SIAM Journal on Scientific Computing ( $\times 2$ ), SoftwareX, Systems & Control Letters ( $\times 4$ ), Transactions on Mathematical Software.

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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### Virginia Tech

Math 2114: Introduction to Linear Algebra (Spring 2022, Spring 2023)

Math 4445: Introduction to Numerical Analysis (Spring 2024)

### Otto von Guericke University of Magdeburg

Model Order Reduction of Dynamical Systems (Spring 2017, exercises)

## ACTIVITIES

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### Visiting researcher

12–16 Sep 2022

One-week visit at the Josip Juraj Strossmayer University of Osijek.

### Visiting researcher

17–23 Dec 2021

One-week visit at the Josip Juraj Strossmayer University of Osijek within an ERASMUS+ project.

### ICERM semester program participant

Jan–May 2020

Semester program “[Model and dimension reduction in uncertain and dynamic systems](#)”.

### Visiting researcher

7 Jul–15 Sep 2017

Two-month visit at Prof. Dr. Jun-ichi Imura’s [research group](#) at Tokyo Institute of Technology. Worked on clustering-based model order reduction for power systems.

### GAMM Junior

2017–2020

Three-year position awarded yearly to ten young academics from the field of applied mathematics and mechanics (<https://www.gamm-juniors.de/>).

## CONFERENCE AND WORKSHOP TALKS

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### Model Reduction and Surrogate Modeling (MORe2024), San Diego, USA

9–13 Sep 2024

*Riemannian Optimization over the Manifold of Rational Functions*

### 26<sup>th</sup> International Symposium on Mathematical Theory of Networks and Systems (MTNS 2024), Cambridge, UK

19–23 Aug 2024

*TF-IRKA is also a Riemannian Gradient Descent Method*

### European Conference on Numerical Mathematics and Advanced Applications (ENUMATH 2023), Lisbon, Portugal

4–8 Sep 2023

*Parametric Reduced-order Modeling via Nonlinear Least Squares*

### 25<sup>th</sup> Conference of the International Linear Algebra Society (ILAS 2023), Madrid, Spain

12–16 Jun 2023

*Optimal Reduced-order Modeling for Structured Linear Systems*

### Nonlinear Model Reduction for Control, Blacksburg, VA, USA

22–26 May 2023

*$\mathcal{H}_2 \otimes \mathcal{L}_2$ -optimal Model Order Reduction for Quadratic-bilinear Systems*

### SIAM Southeastern Atlantic Section Annual Meeting, Blacksburg, VA, USA

25–26 Mar 2023

*$\mathcal{L}_2$ -optimal Reduced-order Modeling of Parametric Stationary Problems*

### SIAM Conference on Computational Science and Engineering (CSE23), Amsterdam, The Netherlands

26 Feb – 3 Mar 2023

*Least-squares Parametric Reduced-order Modeling*

### 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the SIAM Texas-Louisiana Section (SIAM TXLA22), Houston, TX, USA

4–6 Nov 2022

*Least-squares Parametric Reduced-order Modeling*

### Model Reduction and Surrogate Modeling (MORE), Berlin, Germany

19–23 Sep 2022

*Structured  $\mathcal{L}_2$ -Optimal Parametric Model Order Reduction*

### 11<sup>th</sup> Conference on Applied Mathematics and Scientific Computing (ApplMath22), Brijuni, Croatia

5–9 Sep 2022

*Iterative Rational Krylov Algorithm and Riemannian Optimization*

### New Trends in Computational Science in Engineering and Industrial Mathematics, Magdeburg, Germany

1–2 Jul 2022

*Is IRKA a Riemannian Optimization Method?*

<b>Spring 2020 Reunion Event</b> , Providence, RI, USA <i><math>\mathcal{L}_2</math>-Optimal Reduced-Order Modeling</i>	23 May – 10 Jun 2022
<b>SIAM Conference on Uncertainty Quantification (UQ22)</b> , Atlanta, GA, USA <i><math>\mathcal{L}_2</math>-Optimal Model Order Reduction for Parametric Stationary Problems</i>	12–15 Apr 2022
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Workshop on Optimal Control of Dynamical Systems and Applications</b> , Osijek, Croatia <i>Structured <math>\mathcal{L}_2</math>-Optimal Parametric Model Order Reduction</i>	28 Mar – 1 Apr 2022
<b>SIAM Conference on Control and Its Applications (CT21)</b> , virtual <i>Clustering-Based Model Order Reduction for Water Networks</i>	19–21 Jul 2021
<b>Tenth Conference on Applied Mathematics and Scientific Computing (ApplMath20)</b> , Brijuni, Croatia <i>Optimization-Based Parametric Model Order Reduction via Wilson-Type <math>\mathcal{H}_2 \otimes \mathcal{L}_2</math> Conditions</i>	14–18 Sep 2020
<b>EuroSciPy 2019</b> , Bilbao, Spain <i>pyMOR lightning talk</i>	2–6 Sep 2019
<b>4<sup>th</sup> Workshop on Model Reduction of Complex Dynamical Systems (MODRED 2019)</b> , Graz, Austria <i>Clustering-Based Model Order Reduction for Nonlinear Network Systems</i>	28–30 Aug 2019
<b>90<sup>th</sup> GAMM Annual Meeting</b> , Vienna, Austria <i><math>\mathcal{H}_2</math>-Optimal Model Order Reduction of Interconnected Systems</i>	18–22 Feb 2019
<b>International Workshop on Optimal Control of Dynamical Systems and Applications</b> , Osijek, Croatia <i><math>\mathcal{H}_2</math>-Optimal Model Order Reduction for Port-Hamiltonian Systems</i>	20–22 Jun 2018
<b>European Control Conference (ECC18)</b> , Limassol, Cyprus <i>Synchronization and Aggregation of Nonlinear Power Systems with Consideration of Bus Network Structures</i>	12–15 Jun 2018
<b>Model Reduction of Parameterized Systems IV (MoRePaS 2018)</b> , Nantes, France <i><math>\mathcal{H}_2</math>-Optimal Structure-Preserving Model Order Reduction for Second-Order Systems</i>	10–13 Apr 2018
<b>89<sup>th</sup> GAMM Annual Meeting</b> , Munich, Germany <i>Clustering-Based Model Order Reduction for Nonlinear Multi-Agent Systems</i>	19–23 Mar 2018
<b>Reduced Basis (and Friends) Summer School 2017</b> , Goslar, Germany <i><math>\mathcal{H}_2</math>-Optimal Model Order Reduction and Reduced Basis Methods</i>	19–22 Sep 2017
<b>88<sup>th</sup> GAMM Annual Meeting</b> , Weimar, Germany <i><math>\mathcal{H}_2</math>-Optimal Model Order Reduction for Second Order Systems</i>	06–10 Mar 2017
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Workshop on Model Reduction of Complex Dynamical Systems (MODRED 2017)</b> , Odense, Denmark <i>Model Reduction of Network Systems by Clustering</i>	11–13 Jan 2017
<b>Reduced Basis Summer School 2016</b> , Hedersleben, Germany <i>Model Order Reduction for Multi-Agent Systems</i>	04–07 Oct 2016
<b>Workshop on Model Reduction Methods and Optimization</b> , Opatija, Croatia <i>Almost Almost-Equitableness and Clustering-Based Error Bounds</i>	20–21 Sep 2016
<b>22<sup>nd</sup> International Symposium on Mathematical Theory of Networks and Systems (MTNS 2016)</b> , Minneapolis, USA <i>Clustering-Based Model Order Reduction for Multi-Agent Systems with General Linear Time-Invariant Agents</i>	12–15 Jul 2016
<b>6<sup>th</sup> Croatian Mathematical Congress</b> , Zagreb, Croatia <i>Clustering-Based Model Order Reduction for Multi-Agent Systems</i>	14–17 Jun 2016
<b>Joint Annual Meeting of DMV and GAMM</b> , Braunschweig, Germany <i>Stability Preserving Model Reduction for Linearly Coupled Linear Time-Invariant Systems</i>	07–11 Mar 2016
<b>10<sup>th</sup> Elgersburg Workshop</b> , Elgersburg, Germany <i>Efficient Model Order Reduction for Multi-Agent Systems Using Graph Partitions</i>	07–11 Feb 2016
<b>54<sup>th</sup> IEEE Conference on Decision and Control (CDC)</b> , Osaka, Japan <i>Efficient Model Order Reduction for Multi-Agent Systems Using QR Decomposition-Based Clustering</i>	15–18 Dec 2015
<b>Reduced Basis Summer School 2015</b> , Hegne, Germany <i>Efficient Model Order Reduction for Multi-Agent Systems Using Graph Partitions</i>	14–18 Sep 2015