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Education

- Dr. rer. nat.** Department of Computer Science, University of Kaiserslautern, 2016
(equiv. to **Ph.D.**) Dissertation Title: *Dual-Pivot Quicksort and Beyond: Analysis of Multiway Partitioning and Its Practical Potential*
- M.Sc.** Department of Computer Science, University of Kaiserslautern, 2012
- B.Sc.** Department of Computer Science, University of Kaiserslautern, 2010

Publications

Preprints and details at www.wild-inter.net/publications.

(Titles are clickable links).

Peer-Reviewed Conference Papers

- [c10] *Efficient Second-Order Shape-Constrained Function Fitting*
David Durfee, Yu Gao, Anup B. Rao, and Sebastian Wild
Algorithms and Data Structures Symposium (WADS) 2019
- [c9] *Sesquiselect: One and a half pivots for cache-efficient selection*
Conrado Martínez, Markus E. Nebel, and Sebastian Wild
Meeting on Analytic Algorithmics and Combinatorics (ANALCO) 2019
- [c8] *Median-of-k Jumplists and Dangling-Min BSTs*
Markus E. Nebel, Elisabeth Neumann, and Sebastian Wild
Meeting on Analytic Algorithmics and Combinatorics (ANALCO) 2019
- [c7] *Nearly-Optimal Mergesorts: Fast, Practical Sorting Methods That Optimally Adapt to Existing Runs*
J. Ian Munro and Sebastian Wild
European Symposium on Algorithms (ESA) 2018
in Y. Azar, H. Bast, G. Herman (Eds.): ESA 2018, LIPIcs 112, Dagstuhl, 2018, 63:1–63:16
- [c6] *Average Cost of QuickXsort with Pivot Sampling*
Sebastian Wild
International Conference on Probabilistic, Combinatorial and Asymptotic Methods for the Analysis of Algorithms (AofA) 2018
Ward M. D., Fill J. A. (eds.): AofA 2018, LIPIcs vol. 110, pp 36:1–36:19

- [c5] *Quicksort Is Optimal for Many Equal Keys*
Sebastian Wild
Meeting on Analytic Algorithmics and Combinatorics (ANALCO) 2018
Nebel M., Wagner S. (eds.): ANALCO 2018, SIAM, pp 8–22
- [c4] *Analysis of Branch Misses in Quicksort*
Conrado Martínez, Markus E. Nebel, and Sebastian Wild
Meeting on Analytic Algorithmics and Combinatorics (ANALCO) 2015
Sedgewick R., Ward M. D. (eds.): ANALCO 2015, SIAM, pp 114–128
- [c3] *Pivot Sampling in Dual-Pivot Quicksort*
Markus E. Nebel and Sebastian Wild
International Conference on Probabilistic, Combinatorial and Asymptotic Methods for the Analysis of Algorithms (AofA) 2014
Bousquet-Mélou M., Soria M. (eds.): DMTCS-HAL Proceedings Series, vol. BA, pp 325–338
- [c2] *Engineering Java 7's Dual Pivot Quicksort Using MALIJAN*
Sebastian Wild, Markus E. Nebel, Raphael Reitzig, and Ulrich Laube
Meeting on Algorithm Engineering and Experiments (ALENEX) 2013
Sanders P., Zeh N. (eds.): ALENEX 2013, SIAM, pp 55–69
- [c1] *Average Case Analysis of Java 7's Dual Pivot Quicksort*
Sebastian Wild and Markus E. Nebel
European Symposium on Algorithms (ESA) 2012
Epstein L. and Ferragina P. (eds.): ESA 2012, LNCS 7501, Springer, pp 825–836.

Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles

- [j5] *Building Fences Straight and High: An Optimal Algorithm for Finding the Maximum Length You Can Cut k Times from Given Sticks*
Raphael Reitzig and Sebastian Wild
***Algorithmica* 80, 11, pp 3365–3396 (2018)**
- [j4] *Analysis of Pivot Sampling in Dual-Pivot Quicksort*
Markus E. Nebel, Sebastian Wild, and Conrado Martínez
***Algorithmica* 75, 4, pp 632–683, (2016)**
- [j3] *Analysis of Quickselect under Yaroslavskiy's Dual-Pivoting Algorithm*
Sebastian Wild, Markus E. Nebel, and Hosam Mahmoud
***Algorithmica* 74, 1, pp 485–506, (2016)**
- [j2] *Average Case and Distributional Analysis of Dual Pivot Quicksort*
Sebastian Wild, Markus E. Nebel, and Ralph Neininger
***ACM Transactions on Algorithms* 11, 3, article 22, (2015)**
- [j1] *JAGUC – A Software Package for Environmental Diversity Analyses*
Markus E. Nebel, Sebastian Wild, Michael Holzhauser, Lars Hüttenberger, Raphael Reitzig, Matthias Sperber, and Thorsten Stoeck
***Journal of Bioinformatics and Computational Biology* 9, 6, pp 749–773, (2011)**

Textbooks

- [B1] *Entwurf und Analyse von Algorithmen*
(Design and Analysis of Algorithms)
Markus Nebel and Sebastian Wild · **Springer Vieweg** · 2018

Theses

- [T3] *Dual-Pivot Quicksort and Beyond: Analysis of Multiway Partitioning and Its Practical Potential*
Dissertation · University of Kaiserslautern · 2016
- [T2] *Java 7's Dual Pivot Quicksort*
Master's Thesis · University of Kaiserslautern · 2012
- [T1] *An Earley-style Parser for Solving the RNA-RNA Interaction Problem*
Bachelor's Thesis · University of Kaiserslautern · 2010

Manuscripts in Preparation & Working Papers

- [M5] *Dynamic Offline Unordered Binary Trees – Towards Disproving Dynamic Optimality for Heaps*
J. Ian Munro, Richard Peng, Sebastian Wild, and Lingyi Zhang
- [M4] *Entropy Trees and Range-Minimum Queries In Optimal Average-Case Space*
J. Ian Munro, and Sebastian Wild
- [M3] *QuickXsort – A Fast Sorting Scheme in Theory and Practice*
Stefan Edelkamp, Armin Weiß, and Sebastian Wild
- [M2] *A Practical and Worst-Case Efficient Algorithm for Divisor Methods of Apportionment*
Raphael Reitzig and Sebastian Wild
- [M1] *Reputation-Based Cooperation in Local Interaction: Evolution of Indirect Reciprocity with Minimal Memory* · Jano Costard, Sándor P. Fekete, Hella-Franziska Hoffmann, Alexander Koch, Dominik Leipold, Jonas Radbruch, Maximilian Schlund, Jann Spiess, Paul Stursberg, and Sebastian Wild

Other Publications

- [O3] *Dual-pivot and beyond: The potential of multiway partitioning in quicksort*
Sebastian Wild
Distinguished Dissertations in *it – Information Technology*, vol 60, 3, pp 173–177
- [O2] *Quicksort mit zwei Pivots und mehr* · Sebastian Wild
GI LNI Dissertations Band 17 – Ausgezeichnete Informatikdissertationen 2016
- [O1] *Why is Dual-Pivot Quicksort Fast?* · Sebastian Wild
extended abstract for *Theorietage 2015* (GI Workshop on Algorithms)

Awards and Honors

- 2017** ***GI Dissertationspreis 2016*** · [T3]
Prize for **best dissertation** in computer science 2016 in Germany, Austria, and Switzerland, jointly awarded by *GI, SI, and OCG*
- 2017** Nominated for ***Distinguished Teaching Award 2017*** of *University of Kaiserslautern* for the design of the interactive course *Training für Programmierwettbewerbe*
- 2013** *Preis des Freundeskreises der TU Kaiserslautern* · [T2]
Best Master's Thesis in the Department of Computer Science 2012
- 2012** **Best Paper Award** at the *European Symposium on Algorithms 2012* · [C1]
- 2009–2012** **Scholarship** of the German National Academic Foundation

Talks

Slides available on slideshare.net.

Invited Talks

- 2018** “*Succinct Data Structures For Range Minimum Problems*”
NSF Center for Science of Information · Purdue University · 24 Oct. 2018
- 2017** “*Dual-Pivot Quicksort and Beyond*”
Annual SPP Meeting of the *DFG Schwerpunktprogramm Algorithms for Big Data*
19 Oct. 2017
- 2016** “*Dual-Pivot Quicksort and Beyond*”
Research Seminar · *Hasso-Plattner-Institut Potsdam* · 6 Sep. 2016

Conference & Workshop Presentations

- 2019** “*Entropy Trees & Range-Minimum Queries In Optimal Average-Case Space*” · [M4]
Dagstuhl Seminar 19051 (Data Structures for the Cloud and External Memory Data)
28 Jan. 2019
- 2019** “*Sesquiselect: One and a half pivots for cache-efficient selection*” · [C9]
ANALCO Conference · 06 Jan. 2019
- 2018** “*Nearly-optimal Mergesorts*” · [C7]
ESA Conference · 20 Aug. 2018
- 2018** “*Average Cost of QuickXsort with Pivot Sampling*” · [C6]
AofA Conference · 28 June 2018
- 2018** “*Quicksort Is Optimal for Many Equal Keys*” · [C5]
ANALCO Conference · 8 Jan. 2018
- 2017** “*Median-of-k Quicksort is optimal for many equal keys*”
AofA Meeting · 19 June 2017
- 2016** “*Quicksort with Equal Keys*”
Dagstuhl Seminar 16101 (Data Structures and Advanced Models of Computation on Big Data)
7 March 2016

- 2015** “Why is Dual-Pivot Quicksort Fast?” · [O1]
GI Theorietage (Workshop) · 29 Sept. 2015
- 2015** “Analysis of Branch Misses in Quicksort” · [c4]
ANALCO Conference · 4 Jan. 2015
- 2014** “Pivot Sampling in Dual-Pivot Quicksort” · [c3]
AofA Conference · 16 June 2014
- 2014** “Dual-Pivot Quicksort – Asymmetries in Sorting”
Dagstuhl Seminar 14 091 (Data Structures and Advanced Models of Computation on Big Data)
 25 March 2014
- 2013** “Engineering Java 7’s Dual Pivot Quicksort Using MALIJAN” · [c2]
ALENEX Conference · 7 Jan. 2013
- 2013** “Quickselect Under Yaroslavskiy’s Dual-Pivoting Algorithm”
AofA Meeting · 28 May 2013
- 2013** “Java 7’s Dual Pivot Quicksort”
FORMAT Workshop · 9 April 2013
- 2012** “Average Case Analysis of Java 7’s Dual Pivot Quicksort” · [c1]
ESA Conference · 11 Sept. 2012

Departmental Talks

- 2017** “Dual-Pivot Quicksort and Beyond” · University of Waterloo · 1 November 2017
- 2015** “Dual-Pivot Quicksort” · University of Kaiserslautern · 24 March 2015

Teaching Experience

*Details on courses and teaching evaluations at www.wild-inter.net/teaching.
 (Titles are clickable links).*

Instructor of Record

Sole responsibility for course (give lectures, design assignments, take/design exams).

- 2018** *Data Structures and Data Management (CS 240)* · undergraduate level
- 2017** *Advanced Algorithmics: Strategies for Hard Problems* · advanced graduate level
- 2017** *Competitive Programming* · undergraduate level
- 2016/17** *Algorithms and Data Structures* · undergraduate level, non-CS majors

Teaching Assistance

Responsible for tutorials (recruit student tutors, design assignments and exams, give exercise classes).

- 2015/16** *Introduction to the Mathematical Analysis of Algorithms*
- 2014** (original title: *Algorithm Engineering*) · advanced graduate level
- 2013/14** *Computational Biology I: Alignments and Sequencing*
 advanced undergraduate level

- 2015/16** *Computational Biology II: Signals, Phylogenetics and Structure Prediction*
2014 graduate level
2012/13
- 2014/15** *Design and Analysis of Algorithms* · intermediate undergraduate level
- 2013** *Combinatorial Algorithms: String Search, Compression, Networks, and Random Generation* · advanced undergraduate level
- 2013/14** *Proof Techniques* · tutorial at introductory undergraduate level
2012/13

Student Tutor

(grade assignments, give exercise class).

Formal Foundations of Programming · *Software Development I: Introduction to Programming* ·
Software Development III: Concurrency and Parallel Programming

Supervised Students

Bachelor's Theses

- 2016** Marvin Peterson · Title: *Experimental View on Cache Behavior of Search Trees*
- 2015** Elisabeth Neumann · Title: *Randomized Jumplists With Several Jump Pointers*

Service

To Profession

- Program committees** ESA 2019 · ANALCO 2019 · ANALCO 2018
- Review (journals)** *ACM Journal of Experimental Algorithmics* · *ACM Transactions on Algorithms* ·
Algorithmica · *Bulletin of Mathematical Biology* ·
Combinatorics, Probability & Computing · *IEEE Transactions on Computers* ·
Information Processing Letters · *International Journal of Computer Mathematics* ·
Software: Practice and Experience · *The Computer Journal*
- Review (conferences)** SPAA 2019 · SEA 2018 · WADS 2017 · SEA 2017 · ANALCO 2017 · AofA 2016 ·
 SWAT 2014 · ANALCO 2014 · ESA 2013

To Department

Representative of Scientific Employees in **Examination Board** · 2012 – 2017

Additional Training

- 2017** *Teaching Development Seminar Series for Postdocs*
Centre for Teaching Excellence, University of Waterloo · 6–10 Nov. 2017
- 2016** *Lehre 2.0 – Lehren mit dem Internet*
Workshop on including social media in teaching · 13 June 2016
- 2015** *Meetings und Projektbesprechungen effizient und zielgerichtet leiten*
Workshop on how to effectively chair a group meeting · 9–10 April 2015

Nonacademic Work Experience

Java Developer *marketmaker Software AG* (since 2012 part of *vwd Vereinigte Wirtschaftsdienste GmbH*)
Jul 2010 – Apr 2012 in term breaks
Developed server components for a web-based financial market-data solution.

Languages

German native tongue

English fluent

French elementary