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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

Dissertation Title: Dual-Proof Quicksort and Beyona: 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

- [c9] Sesquickselect: 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 (in German)

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

- [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

- [O<sub>3</sub>] *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 WildGI 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

- **GI Dissertationspreis 2016** [T3]

  Prize for **best dissertation** in computer science 2016 in Germany, Austria, and Switzerland, jointly awarded by *GI*, *SI*, and *OCG*
- Nominated for *Distinguished Teaching Award* **2017** of *University of Kaiserslautern* for the design of the interactive course *Training für Programmierwettbewerbe*
- Preis des Freundeskreises der TU Kaiserslautern · [T2]

  Best Master's Thesis in the Department of Computer Science 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**

- "Succinct Data Structures For Range Minimum Problems"NSF Center for Science of Information · Purdue University · 24 Oct. 2018
- "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

- "Entropy Trees & Range-Minimum Queries In Optimal Average-Case Space" · [м4]

  Dagstuhl Seminar 19 051 (Data Structures for the Cloud and External Memory Data)
  28 Jan. 2019
- *"Sesquickselect: 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
- \*\*Median-of-k Quicksort is optimal for many equal keys"

  \*\*AofA Meeting\* 19 June 2017
- "Quicksort with Equal Keys"
   Dagstuhl Seminar 16 101 (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
- *Pivot Sampling in Dual-Pivot Quicksort"* · [c3] *AofA Conference* · 16 June 2014
- "Dual-Pivot Quicksort Asymmetries in Sorting"
   Dagstuhl Seminar 14 091 (Data Structures and Advanced Models of Computation on Big Data)
   25 March 2014
- \*\*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

"Java 7's Dual Pivot Quicksort"
 FORMAT Workshop · 9 April 2013
"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).

Student tutor for lectures 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** ANALCO 2018, ANALCO 2019 committees

**Review** ACM Journal of Experimental Algorithmics · Algorithmica ·

(journals) Bulletin of Mathematical Biology  $\cdot$  Combinatorics, Probability & Computing  $\cdot$ 

IEEE Transactions on Computers · Information Processing Letters ·

International Journal of Computer Mathematics · Software: Practice and Experience ·

*The Computer Journal* 

**Review** SEA 2018 · WADS 2017 · SEA 2017 · ANALCO 2017 · AofA 2016 · SWAT 2014 · (conferences) ANALCO 2014 · ESA 2013

### To Department

Representative of Scientific Employees in Examination Board · 2012 – 2017

# Additional Training \_

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

 $market maker\ Software\ AG\ (since\ 2012\ part\ of\ vwd\ Vereinigte\ Wirtschaftsdienste\ GmbH)$ 

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