

Curriculum Vitae of Dr. Tobias Kühn, born 13.04.1989 in Oberhausen, Germany

2008	Abitur at the Ricarda-Huch-Gymnasium Krefeld
2008 -2013	Bachelor-Studies of Physics and Mathematics at RWTH Aachen and UPJV Amiens
2011	BSc in Physics (thesis title: Edge Magnetism in Mean-Field theory, supervised by Carsten Honerkamp)
2011 - 2014	Master Studies in Physics at the RWTH Aachen with courses mainly in solid state and statistical physics
2013	BSc in Mathematics (thesis title: A Solving Method for the Landau-Lifshitz- Slonczewski Equation, supervised by Christof Melcher)
2014	MSc in Physics (thesis title: Vertex Parameterization for the 2d-Hubbard Model, supervised by Carsten Honerkamp) Grade for Master thesis / Master colloquium: 1.3/1.0 Grade for Master in total ¹ : 1.4
9/2014 - 12/2019	PhD student at the Institut of Computational and Systems Neuroscience (INM-6) of Forschungszentrum Jülich and RWTH Aachen, supervised by Moritz Helias
16/12/2019	Defense of doctoral thesis „Path integral methods for correlated activity in neuronal networks“
1/2019 - 3/2019	Internship in the editorial department of the newspaper „Süddeutsche Zeitung“, department „Wissen“ (Science)
9/2014 -12/2018 and 4/2019 - 9/2019	Employee at INM-6, Forschungszentrum Jülich
10/2019 - 8/2020	Postdoc with R. Monasson at Laboratoire de Physique de l'ENS
9/2020 - 8/2021	Postdoc (ATER) with F. van Wijland at Laboratoire Matière et Systèmes Complexes, Université de Paris
9/2021 - 3/2022	Postdoc with R. Monasson, funded by a fellowship of the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD)
Since 4/2022	Postdoc with U. Ferrari at Institut de la Vision, Sorbonne Université, INSERM, CNRS

Peer-reviewed publications

2017	TK , M. Helias: „Locking of Correlated Neural Activity to Ongoing Oscillations“, PloS Computational Biology, https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pcbi.1005534
2018	TK , M. Helias: „Expansion of the Effective Action around Non-Gaussian Theories“, Journal of Physics A, https://iopscience.iop.org/article/10.1088/1751-8121/aad52e/meta

¹ Given in the german system: 1.0 is the best grade, 4.0 satisfactory. Exams graded worse than 4.0 are considered as not passed.

- 2020 J. Stapmanns², **TK**², D. Dahmen, T. Luu, C. Honerkamp, M. Helias: „Self-consistent formulations for stochastic nonlinear neuronal dynamics“, Physical Review E, <https://journals.aps.org/pre/abstract/10.1103/PhysRevE.101.042124>
- 2021 C. Keup², **TK**², D. Dahmen, M. Helias: „Transient chaotic dimensionality expansion by recurrent networks“, Physical Review X, <https://journals.aps.org/prx/abstract/10.1103/PhysRevX.11.021064>
- 2021 A. van Meegen, **TK**, M. Helias: „Large-Deviation Approach to Random Recurrent Neuronal Networks: Parameter Inference and Fluctuation- Induced Transitions“, Physical Review Letters, <https://journals.aps.org/prl/abstract/10.1103/PhysRevLett.127.158302>
- 2022 L. Tiberi², J. Stapmanns², **TK**, T. Luu, D. Dahmen, H. Helias: „Gell-Mann-Low criticality in neural networks“, Physical Review Letters, <https://journals.aps.org/prl/abstract/10.1103/PhysRevLett.128.168301>, Editor's Suggestion and featured in „Physics“
- 2023 **TK**, F. van Wijland: „Diagrammatics for the inverse problem in spin systems and simple liquids“, Journal of Physics A, <https://iopscience.iop.org/article/10.1088/1751-8121/acb7b4/meta>

Preprint

- 2023 **TK**, R. Monasson: „Information content in attractor networks with variable background connectivity“, arxiv, in preparation

Thesis

- 2019/2020 **TK**: „Path integral methods for correlated activity in neuronal networks“, <http://publications.rwth-aachen.de/record/782370>

Reviewer activity

- Since 2016 Support of M. Helias for PloS Comput Biology, SIAM Journal of Applied Mathematics, Journal of Statistical Mechanics: Theory and Experiment, Journal of Physics A: Mathematical and Theoretical
- Since 2019 Reviewer for Journal of Physics A: Mathematical and Theoretical, Physical Review E

Conference and Workshop Contributions

- 2015
- Poster at the Retreat of the Institute for Neuroscience and Medicine (INM) of the Research Centre Jülich: „Theory of Phase-locked Correlated Activity to Local Oscillations“

2016

- Talk at the Spring Meeting of the Deutsche Physikalische Gesellschaft (DPG), Regensburg: „Correlated Activity of Periodically Driven Binary Networks“
- Poster at the 9th Bernstein Sparks Workshop: Recent Advances in Recurrent Network Theory: Fluctuating Correlated Dynamics Across Scales, Göttingen: „How does an Oscillatory Drive Shape the Correlations in Binary Networks?“
- Poster at the Bernstein Conference, Berlin: Same title as for the Sparks Workshop
- Poster at the CRCNS Conference, Paris: „Correlations in Binary Networks with Time-dependent Input“

2017

- Poster at the CNS Conference, Antwerp: „Temporal Structure of Synchrony and Unitary Events in Periodically-driven Balanced Networks“
- Poster at the Bernstein Conference, Göttingen: „A Diagrammatic Derivation of the TAP-Approximation“

2018

- Talk at the Spring Meeting of the DPG, Berlin: „Expanding the Effective Action around Non-Gaussian Theories“
- Poster at the Workshop InSpire – New Insights on Complex Neural Dynamics, Cergy-Pontoise: „TAP-Approximation and beyond with Feynman Diagrams“
- Poster at the Retreat of the Institute of Neuroscience (INM) and the Institute of Complex Systems (ICS) of the Research Centre Jülich (equally contributing second author): „Field Theory for Stochastic Nonlinear Rate Neurons“, awarded with the prize for the „Best Theoretical Poster“
- Poster at Bernstein Conference, Berlin (equally contributing second author): Same title as at INM-Retreat in Jülich

2019

- Talk at the Spring Meeting of the DPG, Regensburg: „Functional Renormalization Group for Stochastic Rate Neurons“
- Co-author of posters at the Bernstein Conference, Berlin: „A bridge from large deviation theory to statistical field theory“, „Renormalization Group for Spatially Extended Neuronal Networks“ and „Synopsis of Statistics and Dynamics of Binary and Rate Neuronal Networks“

2020

- „Flash presentation“ at the Journées de Physique Statistique de l'ENS, Paris: „Diagrammatic expansion of the effective action around non-Gaussian theories“
- Co-author of poster at „Cosyne“ Conference, „Transient chaotic dimensionality expansion by recurrent networks“ (first author C. Keup)

2021

- Talk at Spring Meeting of the DPG, (sections Biological Physics, Chemical and Polymer Physics, Dynamics and Statistical Physics, Physics of Socio-economic Systems): „Dynamics, Statistics and Coding in Random Rate and Binary Networks“
- Poster at Annual Meeting of the DPG: „Diagrammatic expansion of the second Legendre transform around non-Gaussian theories“

2022

- „Flash presentation“ at the Journées de Physique Statistique of l'ENS, Paris: „Diagrammatic solution to the inverse problem in simple liquids and spin systems“
- Poster at workshop „Building population models for large-scale neural recordings“, Informatics Forum, University of Edinburgh: „Network inference revisited with Feynman diagrams“, joint work with Ulisse Ferrari
- Poster at Bernstein conference, Berlin: „Network inference for spike-count neurons“, joint work with Ulisse Ferrari

2023

- „Flash presentation“ at the Journées de Physique Statistique of l'ENS, Paris: „Computing the Fisher information in continuous attractor networks“
- Presentations at Spring Meeting of the DPG, Dresden: „Quantifying information content in continuous attractor networks“ (talk, joint work with Rémi Monasson)
„How not to lose spikes: inference methods for spike-count neurons“ (poster, joint work with Ulisse Ferrari)

Invited Talks

- 2016 PhD-seminar of the Theoretical Physics Department of the University of Heidelberg, „Cold Quantum Coffee“: „Field Theory and (Functional) Renormalisation Group in Theoretical Neuroscience“
- 2020 At CENTURI, Marseille: „Statistical Physics and Neuroscience“
- 2022 QBio Seminar, Centre de biologie quantitative de l'ENS-PSL, Paris: „Diagrammatics for the Inverse Problem of the Spike-Count Neuron (and many of its friends)“
- 2023 Mathematical Biology Seminar at Charles University, Prague: „How harmful is disorder for the representation of space in attractor networks?“

Summer Schools

- 2015 Participant of the first „Advanced Computational Neuroscience School“, Göttingen
- 2016 Tutor at the second „Advanced Computational Neuroscience School“, Göttingen
- 2017 Participant of the Beg Rohu Summer School „Out of Equilibrium Dynamics, Evolution and Genetics“, St. Pierre-Quiberon (only partly attended due to sickness)
- 2022 Participant of „Mathematical Methods in Computational Neuroscience“ at Fred Kavli Center, Eresfjord, Norway

Teaching and Supervision

- 2010 - Tutor for diverse lectures at RWTH Aachen, in Mathematics for non-Mathematicians, including physicists, and Introduction to Theoretical Physics
- 2014
- 2016 - Tutor for exercises of the lectures (RWTH) „Theoretical Neuroscience: Correlation structure of neuronal networks“ (summer terms 2016, 2017 and 2018), „Statistical Mechanics of Neuronal Networks“ (winter terms 2016/17 and 2017/18), „Statistical Physics“ (summer term 2018) and „Computational Neuroscience“ (winter terms 2015/16, 2016/17 and 2017/18)
- 2018

Oct. 2016 - Dec. 2017	Co-Supervision (together with M. Helias) of the Master thesis of Christian Keup (thesis title: A Neuron Model Independent Path Integral Explored via Binary Assemblies)
2017	As substitute: Two lectures in the course „Theoretical Neuroscience: Correlation structure of neuronal networks“ (at RWTH)
Apr. 2019 - Aug. 2019	Co-Supervision (together with M. Helias) of the Bachelor thesis of Jan Bauer (thesis title: Learning effective data representations with restricted Boltzmann machines)
09/2020 - 06/2021	Teaching at diverse courses at Université de Paris (physics for physicians, mathematical tools for physics (during two semesters), signal treatment with Matlab) and for the Master 2 ICFP of the Université de Paris, Sorbonne University, University Paris-Saclay, Ecole Normale Supérieure, Ecole Polytechnique (Tutorials for the Lecture „Statistical Physics“)

Fellowships and Grants

2016 and 2017	Support of M. Helias and C. Honerkamp in writing proposals („Facing the multi-scale problem in neuroscience by the functional renormalization group“ and „Dynamic phase transitions in cortical networks“) for the acquisition of „Exploratory Research Space“-seed funds of RWTH Aachen
2021/2022	Postdoc Fellowship of the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD, 6 months)