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Employment

School of Mathematics

0 Chair in Mathematics

Department of Mathematical Sciences

0 Professor

- May 2014 31st January 2018 Full Professor
- 1st October 2008 30th April 2014 Reader (Associate Professor)

Department of Mathematics 0

Professor

- 1st June 30th September 2008 Senior Lecturer (Associate Professor)
- 1st January 2005 30th May 2008 Lecturer (Assistant Professor)

Department of Pure Mathematics and Mathematical Statistics

- Temporary Lecturer (Assistant Professor)
 - First woman to be appointed by open call to a University Lecturer position in Pure Mathematics.
 - Additional appointment as Fellow in Mathematics, Jesus College, Cambridge.

Mathematical Institute

- Research Assistant (Supervisor: Nigel Hitchin)
- Additional appointment as Junior Research Fellow, Worcester College, Oxford.

Mathematical Sciences Research Institute

Post Doc

Education

PhD in Mathematical Physics

International School of Advanced Studies, SISSA

- PhD thesis resulted in two papers, one on Invetiones Mathematicae with 249 citations, the other on Mathematische Annalen with 88 citations (Google Scholar).

First degree and Master 0

Universitá di Padova

- Summa cum Laude
- Master thesis resulted in published paper with 14 citations (Google Scholar).

Languages

- o English: Advanced
- o Italian: Mother tongue

- **Dutch:** Intermediate
- o French: Intermediate
- o Spanish: Beginner

Loughborough University, UK October 2008 - January 2018

University of Birmingham, UK

February 2018 - open ended

The University of Manchester UK January 2005 – September 2008

Cambridge University, UK

Oxford University, UK July 1999 - June 2002

Berkeley, CA, USA November 1998 - June 1999

> Trieste, Italy 1994 - 1998

Padova, Italy 1988 - 1994

July 2002 - December 2004

Research

I specialise in Integrable Systems, an area at the crossroads of many disciplines including Analysis, Geometry, Mathematical Physics and Algebra. My interests include isomonodromic deformations, Frobenius manifolds, (quantum) Teichmüller theory, quantum algebra and mirror symmetry.

My research timely fits international efforts to push the frontiers between algebraic geometry and mathematical physics as demonstrated by the recent investments by ERC, including two Synergy grants (2019 HyperK, 2018 ReNewQuantum) and several starting/consolidator/advanced grants, by three Simons Collaborations, as well as by upcoming programmes at the most prestigious research institutes world wide, including the Newton Institute, the Fields Institute in Canada, the Simons Centre and MSRI in the USA. Five of twenty one plenary speakers at ICM 2022 were in (algebraic) geometry and mathematical physics.

I have an outstanding record in attracting external funding totalling about $\in 2M$. In 2003, I obtained an Engineering and Physical Sciences Research Council (EPSRC) First Grant while still on a temporary job; according to the EPSRC administrators, this is very rare, if not the unique case they know of. In 2006, I was awarded an EPSRC Advanced Research Fellowship, a very prestigious award that buys off teaching and administrative duties for 5 years, then in 2008, 2012, 2017, 2020 I won four further major research grants. My referee reports have always been extremely supportive including comments such as "The proposal is certainly original and is likely to open new areas of mathematics. It has the potential to generate significant advances, and is adventurous in the sense that the research requires mastery and exploitation of very deep mathematical ideas", "the PI has a well-established record of achievement", "highly qualified mathematical scientist with well establish international reputation".

Grants won as Principal Investigator

• Leverhulme Trust

- Research Project Grant
- Phd studentship for 4 years
- 20% Teaching position for 4 years
- Two Research Assistant positions for 2 years each
- Travel and subsistence
- Software licences and computer equipment

EPSRC

- Research Grant
- Six months Visiting Professor position
- Two Research Assistant positions for two years each
- Travel and subsistence
- Software licences and computer equipment

EPSRC

Research Grant

- One Visiting Professor position for a year
- Travel and subsistence
- Software licences and computer equipment

EPSRC

- Research Grant
- One Visiting Professor position for a year
- Travel and subsistence
- Software licences and computer equipment

£389.000 June 2022 – May 2026

£370.542 October 2017 – September 2020

> £111.837 June 2012 – May 2013

£100.819 December 2008 – February 2010

• Advanced Fellowship	$\pounds 670.658$ October 2006 – February 2012
 My full time salary for 5 years Flexible funds to invite Visiting Professors Travel and subsistence Software licences and computer equipment 	
 EPSRC <i>First Grant</i> One Research Assistant positions for three years Travel and subsistence Software licences and computer equipment 	£176.894 October 2004 – September 2007
Grants won as Sponsor	
• Leverhulme Trust • <i>N. Joshi, Visiting Professorship</i>	£20.000 February 2020 – May 2023
 Maria Sklodowska-Curie N. Nikolaev, Individual Fellowship 	£187.444 September 2022 – August 2024
Organisation of Conferences	
 Mirror Symmetry and Cluster Algebra Department of Mathematics and Mathematical Statistics 	University of Cambridge July 2019
 Integrable systems, discrete symmetries, Painlevé equation Institute of Mathematical Science ICMAT 	is and special functions Madrid September 2017
 Integrability in algebra, geometry and physics: new trends Centro Congressi Stefano Franscini 	Ascona, Switzerland July 2015
Nonlinear Evolution Equations and Dynamical Systems <i>NEEDS</i>	Pula, Italy June 2015
Nonlinear Evolution Equations and Dynamical Systems <i>NEEDS</i>	Orthodox Academy of Crete, Greece July 2012
 Integrable Systems in Pure and Applied Mathematics Conference in honour of Boris Dubrovin's 60th birthday 	Alghero - Sardinia, Italy June 2010
Nonlinear Evolution Equations and Dynamical Systems ^o NEEDS	Isola Rossa, Sardinia, Italy May 2009

Invited Academic Talks at International Conferences and Colloquia (past 10 years).....

- o British Mathematical Colloquium, Algebra Section, Bath, 3-6 April 2023.
- o IMTech Colloquium, Barcelona, 8 February 2022.
- XII workshop on "Geometric Correspondences of Gauge Theories", SISSA, Trieste, Italy, June 2022.
- "Non-Commutative Algebras, Representation Theory and Special Functions", CRM Montreal, June 2022 (online).
- o "Quantisation Days", MIT and Bonn, December 2021 (online).
- 65th meeting of the Australian Mathematical Society, Integrable Systems Section, December 2021 (online).
- o Australian and New Zealand Association for Mathematical Physics, September 2021 (online).
- o "Integrable Systems in Geometry and Mathematical Physics", Trieste, June 2021 (online).
- o Web-seminar on Painlevé Equations, Kobe Japan and Rennes France, January 2021 (online).
- International Conference on "Analytic Theory of Differential and Difference Equations", Moscow, January 2021 (online).
- "Hypergeometry, Integrability and Lie Theory", Lorentz Center, Leiden, The Netherlands. December 2020 (online).
- o "Categorifications in Representation Theory", Leicester UK, September 2020 (online).
- o Global Poisson Webinar, Geneve Switzerland, July 2020 (online).
- o Virtual Integrable Systems Seminar, ICMS Edinburgh, UK, June 2020 (online).
- "Elliptic Integrable Systems, Special Functions and Quantum Field Theory" satellite of String Math, Nordita, Stockholm, Sweden, June 2019.
- o "Geometry and Physics of Quantum Curves", Banff, Alberta, September 2018.
- o Morning speaker at the British Mathematical Colloquium, St Andrews, June 2018.
- o "Retakh Fest", Angers, France, June 2018.
- Plenary speaker at the 14th International Symposium on "Orthogonal Polynomials, Special Functions and Applications", July 2017.
- o Minicourse at the School and Workshop on "Algebraic Geometry and Physics", SISSA, Italy, June 2017.
- "Painlevé Equations and Discrete Dynamics", Banff International Research Station, Canada, October 2016.
- Plenary speaker at Nigel Hitchin's 70st Birthday Conference, Mathematical Institute and Clay Institute, Oxford, UK, September 2016.
- o Integrable Systems Conference, Congressi Stefano Franscini, Ascona (Switzerland), June 2016.
- 5th Workshop on "Combinatorics of Moduli Spaces, Cluster Algebras and Topological Recursion", Moscow, May 2016.
- Colloquium Speaker at Columbia University, NY, MIT Boston and North Eastern University, Boston, February/March 2016.
- o Opening lecture at the 150Th LMS Hardy Lecture, De Morgan House, London, June 2015.
- o "Representation Theory, Special Functions and Painlevé Equations", RIMS Kyoto, March 2015.
- o X Brunel-Bielefeld Workshop on "Random Matrix Theory", Brunel University London, December 2014.
- o "Integrability and Isomonodromy in Mathematical Physics", Lorentz Center, Leiden, The Netherlands, July 2014.
- o French-Japanese conference on Painlevé equations, Strasbourg, France, September 2013.
- "Hamiltonian PDEs, Frobenius Manifold and Deligne-Mumford Moduli Spaces", SISSA, Trieste, Italy, November 2013.
- o "Random Tilings", Simons Center, Stony Brook, USA, February 2013.

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Research Metrics

My overall Research Interest score is higher than 87% of all Researchgate members, and higher than: 94% in Algebra, 92% in Geometry and Topology and 91% in Analysis.

I have 1089 citations on Google Scholar, 925 on Researchgate and 480 on MatSciNet.

Leadership

Geometry and Mathematical Physics Group

Since February 2018, I am based at the University of Birmingham where I have established and led a new research group in Geometry and Mathematical Physics. In five years, I have been able to attract five new colleagues to permanent positions: Dr Tyler Kelly, Dr Andrea Brini (who then moved to Sheffield for personal reasons), Dr Ana Peon-Nieto, Dr Cyril Closset and Dr Michel van Garrel. At the moment the group has also five Post Docs, nine PhD students and a Teaching Fellow.

I have always been committed to implementing good practice in creating a modern and inclusive research and teaching environment, including considerations of Integrity and Equality, Diversity and Inclusion. To attract, nurture and support the brightest early career researchers, we have designed an all-round formative experience for our post docs and PhD students to encourage them to express their creativity and propose ideas for investigation. This comprises several informal weekly activities, including readings groups, half-hour introductory talks before external seminars and lunches. There is always free coffee for all in my office. I am particularly proud about the fact that the Geometry and Mathematical Physics is now a very diverse and inclusive group with a high number of non-white, LGBTQ+ and female members.

I have mentored several current and past group members to win a total of more than $\pounds 3M$ in external funding, in particular:

- o Cyril Closset, who recently was awarded an extension to his Royal Society University Research Fellowship for $\pounds 430.186$ and a New Investigator Award for $\pounds 366.143$.
- o Dr Tyler Kelly, who won a New Investigator Award for $\pounds 234.458$ and subsequently a UKRI Future Leaders Fellowship for $\pounds 1.142.744$.
- o Dr Nikita Nikolaev, who won a Marie Sklodowska-Curie Individual Fellowship for $\pounds 187.444$.
- Dr Ilia Gaiur, my PhD student, who won the Cecil King Travel Scholarship, only one a year awarded in Pure Mathematics by the London Mathematical Society.
- Dr Tim Magee, who on my suggestion acted as research Co-I rather than nominated PDRA in the EPSRC standard grant EP/V002546/1 and moved to Kings College London.
- o Dr Andrea Brini, who won a Early Career Fellowship for $\pounds 975192$ and subsequently moved to Sheffield to join his wife.
- Dr Giordano Cotti, invited for a EPSRC postdoctoral fellowship interview, declined to move to the University of Lisbon.

I have acted as official mentor for promotion to Associate Professor of several colleagues from different research groups; helping them to understand how to write a successful promotion case based on their strengths and vision. I also informally mentor several colleagues at other institutions around the world.

Membership External Boards and Committees (past 10 years).....

- Member of the Banff Research Station Scientific Board, 2022 2024.
- o Member of the Institute of Mathematics and Applications Research Committee since December 2014.
- Member of the ICMS Advisory Board, June 2018 March 2022.
- o Member of the London Mathematical Society Nominating Committee December 2016 December 2018.
- o Member of the Council of the European Mathematical Society May 2016 May 2019.
- o Chair of the London Mathematical Society Prospects in Mathematics Committee, 2016 2018.
- o Member of the London Mathematical Society Women in Mathematics committee May 2013 May 2017.

Membership External Panels (past 10 years).....

- o David Crighton medal, member of the Jury 2023.
- o Hiring panel member for a Research Professor at the Katholieke Universiteit Leuven, Belgium 2023.
- o Chair of the EPSRC Mathematical Sciences Prioritisation panel May 2022.

- o Dubrovin Medal Panel, SISSA, 2021.
- o External member of hiring panel for assistant professor in Mathematics at ETH Zurich, February 2020.
- o Interview panel member for L'Oreal-Unesco Rising Talents Programme, February-May 2020.
- o Panel member for the Royal Society Newton International Fellowship Programme since 2018.
- o External member of hiring panel for a Lectureship in Glasgow, January 2018.
- o January 2017: member of the EPSRC Mathematical Sciences Fellowships Interviews Panel.
- o Member of the European Science Foundation College of Expert Reviewers since October 2016.
- o May 2016: external member for a position of Professeur at Dijon University.
- o May 2014: member of the selection panel for the Dean of Science, Loughborough University.

Outreach

From the start of my career, I have been a keen participant in out-reach activities at the University of Cambridge, at the University of Manchester, at Loughborough University, and more recently, at the University of Birmingham. My approach is to challenge the idea that Pure Mathematics is incomprehensible to the public by delivering "hands on" talks where I explain complicated concepts such as curvature, genus, non-commutative algebra, by using crochet and paper models I have created, and by every day examples. In 2016, as a testament to my ability to communicate to the wider public, I was tasked to write an editorial for the IMA Mathematics Today about Nigel Hitchin mathematical achievements.

Since I have been at Birmingham, I have also started a collaboration with the Barber Institute of fine Arts to explain the mathematics behind Gabo's work. I involved one of my former master students, who has now moved on to study for a PhD in the USA, to write a matlab simulation showing how Gabo's sculpture Linear Construction in Space no.1 is in fact an envelope of planar curves. We participated and gave two informal talks at an open evening at the Barber in February 2020. With my current master student, we are working on writing a short paper for the general public about origami in hyperbolic geometry.

Training of Post-Graduate Students:

- o September 2022 August 2026: Benedetta Facciotti and Alexander Fruh, both full time PhD students.
- o September 2022 August 2025: Mikhail Vasiliev, 2nd year PhD stuydent from Moscow.
- o September 2020 August 2024: Davide del Martello, full time PhD student.
- o September 2019 July 2022 Dr Ilia Gaiur, completed PhD on 19/06/2022.
- o October 2014 2018: Dr Calum Horrobin, completed PhD on 22/01/2018.
- o September 2013 March 2017: Dr Pierpaolo Calligaris completed PhD on 26/05/2017.

Supervision of Post-Docs.....

- o 2022-2025: Dr Omar Kidwai and Dr Nikita Nikolaev.
- o 2021 Dr Livia Campo, currently JSPS fellow.
- o 2021 Dr Harini Desiraju, currently post doc at Sydney.
- o 2019 2020 Dr Giordano Cotti, currently post doc at the University of Lisbon.
- o 2018 2020: Dr Timothy Magee, currently EPSRC research co-I at KCL.
- o 2017 2018: Dr Idan Eisner, left academia.
- o 2004 2007: Prof Guido Carlet, currently at Dijon University.

External Examiner for PhD.....

- o Hernández Iglesias, Universiteit van Amsterdam, Supervisor S. Shadrin, 2022.
- o Jasper Oelen, University of Loughborough, Supervisor: S. Lombardo, 2021.
- Vincent Knibbler, University of Northumbria, Supervisor: S. Lombardo, 2014.
- o Mitul Shah, Oxford University, Supervisor: N. Woodhouse. 2010.
- o Tegan Morrison, University of Sydney, Supervisor: Nalini Joshi, 2009.
- o Man Mo Yue, Oxford University, Supervisor: N. Woodhouse. 2004.

Administrative Responsibilities

Head of Pure Mathematics

School of Mathematics

- Advocate for Pure Mathematics at School and University level

- Serve in most internal hiring panels for faculty positions within the School of Mathematics
- Contribute to the School of Mathematics Research Strategy
- Encourage and monitor funding applications by colleagues in Pure Mathematics
- Act as contact point for EPSRC
- Evaluate and allocate incoming PhD student applications
- Teaching curriculum development

Academic Representative

University Senate

- Monitor the University performance in Research, Teaching and Enterprise activities
- Serve in academic appeals and dismissal panels
- Advise the Senior Leadership Team on all matters relating Research, Teaching and Enterprise activities

Head of Geometry and Mathematical Physics

- 0 School of Mathematics
 - Set the group Research Strategy
 - Campaign to open positions in group Geometry and Mathematical Physics (successful 4 times)
 - Encourage and monitor funding applications by group members
 - Participate in appointing, promotion, scholarship and many other committees.

Director of Equality and Diversity

0 School of Science

- Deputise Dean for the School of Science
- Responsible for hiring, promoting, and performance reviewing of academic staff, budget decisions and managing student recruitment and experience
- Design and implement the Equality and Diversity Strategy at all levels of the Academic career
- Collect and analyse data to inform the School of Science
- Participate in appointing, promotion, scholarship and many other committees.

Academic Representative 0

- Human Resources Committee
- Monitor decisions about probation and promotion at University Level
- Introduce and implement Human Resources policies

Athena Swan Champion

0 School of Mathematics

- Introduce and implement good practice in all aspects of the academic career
- Organise Equality and Diversity training for colleagues
- Organise supporting activities aimed at female academics
- Submit 66 pages document and action plant to win Silver Award (successful only five awarded nationally that year)

International Exchange Programme Coordinator 0

School of Mathematics

- Encourage undergraduate students to participate in Erasmus and other exchange programmes
- Set up new exchange programmes
- Mentor incoming exchange students

University of Birmingham, UK

August 2018 - July 2024

University of Birmingham, UK

February 2018 – August 2021

Loughborough University, UK

October 2014 – January 2018

Loughborough University, UK

Loughborough University, UK

October 2013 – September 2015

Loughborough University, UK

October 2012 – September 2013

October 2014 – January 2018

University of Birmingham, UK September 2021 – August 2027

Teaching Experience

I have taught a variety of modules at the University of Birmingham, Loughborough University, the University of Manchester and Cambridge University. These include advanced courses (final year or master level), such as Algebraic Topology, as well as more basic courses, such as Differential Equations, and service teaching Mathematics for Physics for the Physics department.

Current Teaching.

- o Linear Programming, second year course, about 250 students
- o Three groups of personal tutees for a total of 19 students
- o Supervision of eight third-year project students
- o Supervision of one master student

Teaching Design

- Spring 2020: I designed a new module called Algebraic Topology for year 3 and 4 undergraduate students students.
- o Autumn 2007: I designed the syllabus and set all didactic material for an Integrable Systems course within the MAGIC consortium. I was awarded $\pounds 2.000$ for preparation costs.
- o Spring 2005: In Cambridge, I have contributed to the redesign of the syllabus of Complex Analysis.
- October-November-December 2003: In Cambridge, I designed a completely new course entitled "Introduction to Integrable Systems" (4th year, research informed teaching), including example sheets and exams.
- April-May-June and October-November-December 2002: I designed a completely new course titled "Ordinary Differential Equations in the Complex Domain" (4th year, research informed teaching).

Previous Teaching

- o Differential Equations, second year undergraduate course, about 230 students, University of Birmingham
- o Algebraic Topology, fourth year undergraduate course, about 12 students, University of Birmingham
- Mathematics for Physics 2, first year undergraduate service course, about 60 students, Loughborough University
- Fourier Analysis and Partial Differential Equations, second year undergraduate course about 120 students, Loughborough University
- o Mathematics Report, third year undergraduate course, about 60 students, Loughborough University
- o Classical Mechanics, second year undergraduate course, about 60 students, the University of Manchester
- Perturbation Methods and Asymptotic Expansions, third year undergraduate course, about 100 students, the University of Manchester
- o Functional analysis, third year undergraduate course, about 60 undergraduates, Cambridge University
- o Introduction to Integrable Systems, master course, about 15 students, Cambridge University
- Ordinary Differential Equations in the Complex Domain, master course, about 15 students, Cambridge University