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CONTACT INFORMATION

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EDUCATION

2016-present PhD in Mathematics, University of St. Andrews

Thesis title: Modelling cancer invasion using an individual-based game-theoretic approach.

(Supervisors: Prof Mark Chaplain and Prof Thomas Neukirch.)

Teaching: Tutorials in MT1002, a first year course in Mathematics.

2008-2013 MSci in Mathematics, University of Glasgow (1st Class Degree)

Masters project: Windkessel and structured tree models for cardiovascular haemodynamics.

(Supervisor: Prof Nicholas A. Hill; graded 21/22.)

Honours project: The theory of Adaptive Dynamics and its application to the mutualism-parasitism continuum Lotka–Volterra system

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dH}{dt} &= f(a)H \left(1 - \frac{H}{K + \gamma P}\right) - aHP \\ \frac{dP}{dt} &= bHP - dP(1 + eP)\end{aligned}$$

which involves some trade-off $f(a) = a$.

(Supervisor: Dr Christina Cobbold; graded 22/22.)

Other projects: “Calculus of Variations and the Brachistochrone”; “Recursive Algorithms”.

Level 5 courses: PDEs; Fluid Mechanics; Biological and Physiological Fluid Mechanics; Advanced Methods in Applied Mathematics (SMSTC); Solitons;

Level 4 courses: Mathematical Biology; Probability; Numerical Analysis; Differential Geometry; Numerical Solutions of Partial Differential Equations; Discrete Mathematics; Algebraic Topology;

Level 3 courses: Mathematical Ecology; Mathematical Methods (ODEs, PDEs); Algebra; Analysis; Complex Analysis; Geometry and Topology; L^AT_EX, Mathematica and presentation skills course.

Other pre-honours subjects: Economics, Accounting, Spanish.

Awards: *Matthew A Muir Bursary* (twice) and *Dougall Prize* (twice) in Mathematics; Merit Certificate in Economics.

1999-2008 Kieler Gelehrtenschule (Kiel, Germany)

Allgemeine Hochschulreife (highest German school diploma);

GPA of 1.1 (1 is the highest, 6 the lowest grade);

Intensive courses in Mathematics, English, Economics and Politics.

Awards: Federal prizes in Mathematical Olympiad and in state-run English competition, German Sports Badge in Silver, Gold Swimming Badge, 3rd and 7th team prize in national hockey competition.

2005-2006 Madras College (St Andrews, Scotland)

Exchange Student

- WORK EXPERIENCE**
- 2014-2015 Secondary school teacher** (Friedrich-Engels-Gymnasium)
- Taught students aged 15 to 19 mathematics and economics;
 - Drafted and marked exams according to own marking schemes;
 - Supervised projects and prepared students for final exams;
 - Attended 10 hours/week of teacher’s training.
- 2014 Actuary** (Provinzial NordWest life insurance)
- Acquired basic knowledge of stochastic modelling and life insurance;
 - Calculated participation features.
- 2007-12 Translator German ↔ English** (freelance)
- 2009-10 Associate Trainer** (National Union of Students Scotland)
- Prepared and delivered course representative training to HE students;
 - Carried out administrative duties related to the training provision.
- 2008-09 ‘Buddy’ for new overseas students** (University of Glasgow)
- Organised and led tours and networking events;
 - Gave advice regarding university related issues.
- 2004-08 Secondary school tutor** (Kieler Gelehrtenschule & freelance)
- Taught Mathematics, English, German, Latin and the piano;
 - Tasks included homework assistance and preparation for exams.

- INTERNSHIPS**
- Towers Watson** Risk Consulting and Software, Cologne (06/11–07/11)
- Derived insurance market trends using Excel and VBA;
 - Analysed trends in statutory health insurance premiums;
 - Researched for and developed presentations using Power Point;
- INTERCOPE** Development division HSM for Windows, Hamburg (06/10–07/10)
- Acquired basic C++ knowledge;
 - Took part in High Level and Graphical User Interface Design;
 - Set up a test system.
- Stadtwerke Kiel AG** Service Office, Kiel (06/09–08/09)
- Undertook computer-aided resource planning and maintained files;
 - Ran the service office by myself for a week.

- VOLUNTARY POSITIONS**
- Currently postgraduate representative on the School Safety Committee of the School of Mathematics and Statistics, University of St. Andrews;
 - Regularly volunteer for St. Andrews Environmental Network’s projects;
 - Student representative during four years at the University of Glasgow;
 - Year prefect during the last two years of high school as well as class representative and active member of the student board of my high school for many years beforehand;
 - Assistant carer in nursing home St Nicolai, Kiel.

- LANGUAGE SKILLS**
- Proficient in English and German; basic knowledge of Spanish;
 - Latin; ancient Greek.

COMPUTING SKILLS

- Proficient in MatLab, L^AT_EX and MS Office;
- Basic knowledge of C++ and Mathematica.

PERSONAL INTERESTS

- Enjoy cycling, hiking, gardening, and yoga;
- Fond of listening to and playing music, discovering foreign cultures and travelling.