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## Work and experience

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| Since Apr 2023      | Postdoctoral researcher, at the Max Planck Institute for Mathematics, Bonn  |
| Apr 2020 – Mar 2023 | Postdoctoral researcher, at Universität Hamburg<br>(Apr 2021 - Mar 2023 via <i>DFG Eigene Stelle research grant</i> ) |
| Jan 2018–Dec 2019   | Postdoctoral researcher, at the Max Planck Institute for Mathematics, Bonn  |
| Oct 2016–Sep 2017   | Postdoctoral researcher, at Universität Tübingen,<br>via the <i>Teach@Tübingen scholarship program</i>                |

## Guest/visiting positions

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| Jul 2023      | Invited researcher, <i>Brin Mathematics Resarch Center, University of Maryland</i>   |
| Jul 2022      | Guest researcher, <i>Programme: K-theory, algebraic cycles and motivic homotopy theory</i> , Isaac Newton Institute, Cambridge                               |
| Mar 2020      | Visitor, at the Max Planck Institute for Mathematics, Bonn   |
| Jan, Feb 2020 | Guest researcher, <i>Programme: K-theory, algebraic cycles and motivic homotopy theory</i> , Isaac Newton Institute, Cambridge                               |
| Jan–Apr 2018  | Invited participant, <i>Trimester Program: Periods in Number Theory, Algebraic Geometry and Physics</i> , Hausdorff Research Institute for Mathematics, Bonn |
| Oct–Dec 2017  | Guest researcher, at the <i>MZV Research Center, Kyushu University</i>   |

## Education and qualifications

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| 2012–2016 | PhD in Mathematics – Durham University, supervised by Herbert Gangl<br>“Identities arising from coproducts on multiple zeta values and multiple polylogarithms”. |
| 2008–2012 | MMath in Mathematics, First Class Honours – Durham University  |
| 2014      | Durham University Learning and Teaching Award – Durham University,<br><i>Higher Education Academy accredited qualification in tertiary teaching</i>              |

## Grants, awards and scholarships

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| 2021–23 | DFG Eigene Stelle research grant CH 2561/1-1, for Projektnummer 442093436, “ <i>Cluster polylogarithms, Grassmannian polylogarithms and Zagier’s conjecture on <math>\zeta_F(n), n \geq 5</math></i> ”. |
| 2014/15 | Willmore Pure Postgraduate Award – <i>Department of Maths, Durham University</i>  |
| 2012–16 | Durham Doctoral Scholarship (Faculty of Sciences) – <i>Durham University</i>  |

## Conferences and workshop talks

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| 11–15 Sep 2023    | <i>Polylogarithms, Cluster Algebras, and Scattering Amplitudes, Brin MRC, Maryland</i><br>Talk: <i>TBA</i>   |
| 20–24 Mar 2023    | Geometries and Special Functions for Physics and Mathematics, Bethe Centre, Bonn<br>Talk: <i>The usefulness of two-one formulas (contribution to ‘My Favourite Problem’ session)</i>                                     |
| 27 Jun–1 Jul 2022 | Point configurations: Deformations and Rigidity (Summer School) – UCL<br>Teaching assistant: <i>Modular forms, universal optimality and Fourier interpolation</i><br>Talk: <i>Multiple zeta values and modular forms</i> |
| 20–24 Jun 2022    | Arithmetic geometry, cycles, Hodge theory, regulators, periods & heights – INI, Cambridge<br>Talk: <i>Zagier’s polylogarithm conjecture and an explicit 4-ratio</i>  |
| 13–17 Jun 2022    | Motives and Arithmetic Groups (Summer School) – IRMA Strasbourg<br>Talk: <i>Functional equations for Nielsen polylogarithms</i>  |
| 2–6 Mar 2020      | Cluster Algebras and the Geometry of Scattering Amplitudes – Higgs Centre, Edinburgh<br>Talk: <i>Cluster polylogarithms and identities</i>   |
| 1–12 April 2019   | Workshop on Modular forms, periods, and scattering amplitudes – ETH Zürich<br>Talk: <i>Clean multiple polylogarithms</i>   |

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| 30 Jan 2018    | MZV Days – Periods Trimester, HIM Bonn<br>Talk: <i>Bowman-Bradley type identities for symmetrised MZV's.</i>  |
| 15–19 Jan 2018 | Periods and Regulators Workshop – Periods Trimester, HIM Bonn<br>Talk: <i>Motivic MZV's and the cyclic insertion conjecture</i>                         |
| 11–12 Nov 2017 | Polylogs, Multiple Zetas, and Related Topics – Tohoku University, Sendai<br>Talk: <i>Relating multiple polylogarithms in weight <math>\geq 5</math></i> |
| 3–6 April 2017 | British Mathematical Colloquium 2017 – Durham University<br>Talk (number theory track): <i>Motives and multiple zeta values</i>                         |

## Publications

- (with H. Gangl, L. Lai, C. Xu, and J. Zhao) *On two conjectures of Sun concerning Apéry-like series.* Forum Mathematicum (2023), online first, 15 pages. arXiv:2210.14704
- (with H. Gangl, and D. Radchenko.) *Functional equations of polygonal type for multiple polylogarithms in weights 5, 6 and 7.* Pure and Applied Mathematics Quarterly. 6 pages. To appear. arXiv:2012.09840.
- (with C. Duhr, and H. Gangl) *Clean single valued polylogarithms.* Symmetry, Integrability and Geometry: Methods and Applications 17 (2021), #107, 34 pages. (Special issue for Dirk Kreimer's 60<sup>th</sup> birthday.)
- (with H. Gangl, and D. Radchenko.) *On functional equations for Nielsen polylogarithms.* Communications in Number Theory and Physics 15.2 (2021), pp. 363–454
- *Alternating block decomposition of iterated integrals, and cyclic insertion on multiple zeta values.* Quarterly Journal of Mathematics 72.3 (2021), pp. 975–1028
- *An analogue of cyclic insertion type identities for multiple zeta star values.* Kyushu Journal of Mathematics 74 (2020), pp. 337–352.
- (with H. Bachmann.) *Generalized Jacobi-Trudi determinants and evaluations of Schur multiple zeta values.* European Journal of Combinatorics 87 (2020), pp. 103–133.
- $\zeta(\{ \{2\}^m, 1, \{2\}^m, 3\}^n, \{2\}^m) / \pi^{4n+2m(2n+1)}$  is rational. Journal of Number Theory 148 (2015), pp. 463–477.

## Preprints

- (with H. Gangl, D. Radchenko, and D. Rudenko) *On the Goncharov Depth Conjecture and polylogarithms of depth two.* 2022, 4 pages. arXiv:2210.11938
- (with A. Keilthy) *Evaluation of the multiple zeta values  $\zeta(2, \dots, 2, 4, 2, \dots, 2)$  via double zeta values, with applications to period polynomial relations and to multiple  $t$  values.* 2022, 47 pages. Submitted. arXiv:2210.03616
- (with M. E. Hoffman) *Symmetry results for multiple  $t$  values.* 2021, 36 pages. Submitted. arXiv:2204.14183
- *On the evaluation of the alternating multiple  $t$  value  $t(\{\bar{1}\}^a, 1, \{\bar{1}\}^b)$ .* 2021, 10 pages. Submitted. arXiv:2112.15349
- *On motivic multiple  $t$  values, Saha's basis conjecture and generators of alternating MZV's.* 2021, 53 pages. Submitted. arXiv:2112.14613
- *Third order coefficient of the area expansion via  $\zeta(3)$ .* Appendix A to L. Heller, S. Heller, and M. Traizet, “Complete families of embedded high genus CMC surfaces in the 3-sphere”. 2021, 55 pages (appendix pp. 41–53). arXiv:2108.10214.
- (with H. Gangl, and D. Radchenko.) *Explicit formulas for Grassmannian polylogarithms.* 2019, 28 pages. Submitted. arXiv:1909.13869.
- *A review of Dan's reduction method for multiple polylogarithms.* 2017, 41 pages. arXiv:1703.03961.

## Teaching experience

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| 2011–2016      | Grading: Algebra II; Number Theory III/IV; Analysis I; Elliptic Functions & Modular Forms III/IV<br>Tutorials/computer classes: Analysis I; Algebra II; Numerical Analysis II<br><i>Durham University</i> |
| Winter 2016/17 | Lecture course: Numbers!, <i>Universität Tübingen</i>   |
| Summer 2017    | Lecture course: Primes of the form $x^2 + ny^2$ , <i>Universität Tübingen</i>   |
| 2020–2021      | Grading: Advanced algebra<br>Exercises classes: Multiple zeta values; Mathematik III für Studierende der Physik<br><i>Universität Hamburg</i>   |

## Selected Seminar talks

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| 31 May 2023  | <i>Multiple zeta values in (differential) geometry and number theory</i> , Differential geometry seminar (online), BIMSA, Beijing |
| 3 May 2023 & | <i>Generators of multiple <math>t</math> values and alternating multiple zeta values.</i><br>Number Theory Seminar, MPIM Bonn)    |

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| 5 Jun 2023                   | Oberseminar Zahlentheorie, Universität zu Köln<br><i>Multiple zeta values in block degree 2, and the period polynomial relations.</i>   |
| 5 Dec 2022 &<br>20 Dec 2022  | Séminaire de théorie des nombres de l'IMJ-PRG, Paris<br>Algebra Seminar, Groningen  |
| 12 May 2022                  | <i>Computing <math>\zeta(n_1, \dots, n_r)</math> numerically: explanation of Zagier's approach and some extensions.</i><br>Computing multiple zeta seminar (online)               |
| 13, 20 Apr 2022              | <i>Symmetries of multiple <math>t</math> values.</i> Arithmetische Geometrie und Zahlentheorie seminar, Universität Hamburg   |
| 17 Dec 2021                  | <i>Generators of multiple <math>t</math> values.</i> Number Theory seminar, ETH Zürich  |
| 6 Jul 2021                   | <i>Functional equations for Nielsen polylogarithms.</i> Japan-Europe Number Theory Exchange seminar (online)<br><i>Zagier's polylogarithm conjecture and an explicit 4-ratio.</i> |
| 15 Jul 2020 &<br>22 Jun 2020 | Number Theory Seminar (online), MPIM Bonn<br>Multiple Zeta Value Seminar (online), Kyushu   |
| 5 Feb 2020                   | Heilbronn Number Theory Seminar, Bristol University   |
| 4 Feb 2020                   | Arithmetic Study Group, Durham University   |
| 29 Jan 2020                  | Arithmetische Geometrie und Zahlentheorie Seminar, Universität Hamburg  |
| 24 Apr 2018                  | <i>Cyclic insertion on MZV's and the alternating block decomposition.</i> Oberseminar Zahlentheorie, Universität zu Köln  |
| 15 Mar 2018                  | <i>Various aspects of (multiple) polylogs.</i> Oberseminar, MPIM Bonn   |
| 17 Oct 2017                  | <i>The block decomposition of iterated integrals, and cyclic insertion on MZV's.</i> Multiple Zeta Value seminar, Kyushu University   |
| 18, 25 Oct 2016              | <i>Motivic multiple zeta values, cyclic insertion and the block decomposition.</i> Oberseminar Analysis und Zahlentheorie, Universität Tübingen                                   |
| 7 Nov 2014                   | <i>The coproduct on multiple zeta values, and 'almost' identities.</i> Algebra & Combinatorics seminar, ICMAT, Madrid   |

## Outreach

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| Oct 2015 | The cool shapes of viruses, <i>Maths department's exhibition at the Celebrate Science Festival, Durham University</i> |
| Sep 2018 | Maths of the Rubik's cube, <i>Tag der offenen Tür/Max-Planck-Tag, MPIM Bonn</i>                                       |

## Services and organisational responsibilities

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| Since Apr 2022 | Co-organiser of the (online) "Computing multiple zeta seminar", with H. Bachmann, M. Hirose, N. Sato, K. Tasaka.  |
| Since Mar 2019 | Referee for various journals, including <i>Journal of Number Theory</i> , <i>Research in the Mathematical Sciences</i> , <i>The Ramanujan Journal</i> , <i>Mathematische Annalen</i> .                              |
| Since Jul 2017 | Reviewer for MathSciNet.  |
| Jan 2021       | Compiled the "Periods, polylogarithms, zeta and $L$ -functions, special values" section for the overall MPIM report (2018–2020), summarising the final reports of guests working in these areas during that period. |
| 2014/15        | Organiser of the "Geometry and Algebra Forum" (Durham University, pure maths postgraduate student seminar).   |