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## Positions

- since 11/2014 **Technische Universität München**, *assistant professor*, Applied Topology & Geometry.
- 3/2012–10/2014 **IST Austria**, *postdoctoral research fellow*, Applied Geometry & Topology.  
Prof. Herbert Edelsbrunner
- 8/2008–2/2012 **Georg-August-Universität Göttingen**, *research assistant*, Discrete Differential Geometry lab, Institute of Numerical and Applied Mathematics.  
Prof. Max Wardetzky
- 5/2006–7/2008 **Freie Universität Berlin**, *research assistant*, Mathematical Geometry Processing, Institute of Mathematics.  
Prof. Konrad Polthier
- 11/2005–5/2007 **Self-employed**, *consulting and software development*, geometry processing.  
Client: TubeExpert, Ltd.
- 10/2004–3/2005 **ETH Zürich**, *student assistant*, Combinatorial Structures and Algorithms, Institute of Theoretical Computer Science.  
Prof. Angelika Steger
- 2/2001–9/2004 **Technische Universität München**, *student assistant*, Applied Software Engineering, Institute of Computer Science.  
Prof. Bernd Brügge

## Education

- 2011 **Dr. rer. nat (mathematics)**, *summa cum laude (with distinction)*, Georg-August-Universität Göttingen.  
Thesis: *Persistence in discrete Morse theory*
- 2005 **Dipl.-Inf. Univ. (computer science, minor in mathematics)**, *mit Auszeichnung (with distinction)*, Technische Universität München.  
Thesis: *Assignment problem with constraints*

## Awards & honors

- 2013 **Best paper award**, *Clear and compress: Computing persistent homology in chunks*, Topological Methods in Data Analysis and Visualization, 2013.
- 2004 **Scholarship for diploma thesis at ETH Zürich**, DAAD.

- 2003 **Apple Design Award**, *Best Student Product*, Hydra (collaborative text editor; now called SubEthaEdit).
- 2003 **O'Reilly Mac OS X Innovators Award**, *International Category*, Hydra.

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## Publications

### Journals

- [1] D. Attali, U. Bauer, O. Devillers, M. Glisse, and A. Lieutier. Homological reconstruction and simplification in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ . *Computational Geometry: Theory and Applications*, 2014. In press.
- [2] U. Bauer, C. Lange, and M. Wardetzky. Optimal topological simplification of discrete functions on surfaces. *Discrete & Computational Geometry*, 47(2):347–377, 2012.
- [3] U. Bauer, K. Polthier, and M. Wardetzky. Uniform convergence of discrete curvatures from nets of curvature lines. *Discrete & Computational Geometry*, 43(4):798–823, 2010.
- [4] U. Bauer and K. Polthier. Generating parametric models of tubes from laser scans. *Computer-Aided Design*, 41(10):719–729, 2009.

### Conferences

- [5] U. Bauer, M. Kerber, J. Reininghaus, and H. Wagner. PHAT – persistent homology algorithms toolbox. In *Mathematical Software – ICMS 2014*. H. Hong and C. Yap, editors. Vol. 8592. In Lecture Notes in Computer Science. Springer Berlin Heidelberg, 2014, pp. 137–143.
- [6] U. Bauer and H. Edelsbrunner. The Morse theory of Čech and Delaunay filtrations. In *Proceedings of the thirtieth annual symposium on Computational geometry (SoCG '14)*. ACM, 2014, pp. 484–490.
- [7] U. Bauer and M. Lesnick. Induced matchings of barcodes and the algebraic stability of persistence. In *Proceedings of the thirtieth annual symposium on Computational geometry (SoCG '14)*. Invited to special issue of *Journal of Computational Geometry*. ACM, 2014, pp. 355–364.
- [8] U. Bauer, X. Ge, and Y. Wang. Measuring distance between Reeb graphs. In *Proceedings of the thirtieth annual symposium on Computational geometry (SoCG '14)*. ACM, 2014, pp. 464–473.
- [9] U. Bauer, M. Kerber, and J. Reininghaus. Distributed computation of persistent homology. In *Proceedings of the Sixteenth Workshop on Algorithm Engineering and Experiments (ALENEX'14)*. SIAM, 2014, pp. 31–38.
- [10] D. Attali, U. Bauer, O. Devillers, M. Glisse, and A. Lieutier. Homological reconstruction and simplification in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ . In *Proceedings of the twenty-ninth annual symposium on Computational geometry (SoCG '13)*. ACM, 2013, pp. 117–126.
- [11] U. Bauer, M. Kerber, and J. Reininghaus. Clear and compress: computing persistent homology in chunks. In *Topological Methods in Data Analysis and Visualization III (TopoInVis '13)*. Springer, 2014, pp. 103–117.

- [12] U. Bauer, C. B. Schönlieb, and M. Wardetzky. Total Variation Meets Topological Persistence: A First Encounter. In T. E. Simos, G. Psihoyios, and Ch, editors. Vol. 1281. (1). AIP, 2010, pp. 1022–1026.
- [13] U. Bauer, C. Lange, and M. Wardetzky. Persistence simplification of discrete Morse functions on surfaces. In *Discrete Differential Geometry*. A. I. Bobenko, R. Kenyon, J. M. Sullivan, and G. M. Ziegler, editors. Vol. 6. (1) in Oberwolfach reports, 2009, pp. 116–118.
- [14] U. Bauer and K. Polthier. Detection of Planar Regions in Volume Data for Topology Optimization. In *Advances in Geometric Modeling and Processing (GMP '08)*, 2008, pp. 119–126.
- [15] U. Bauer and K. Polthier. Parametric Reconstruction of Bent Tube Surfaces. In *2007 International Conference on Cyberworlds (CW'07)*. F. Wolter and A. Sourin, editors. IEEE Computer Society, 2007, pp. 465–474.

### Preprints

- [16] U. Bauer, A. Munk, H. Sieling, and M. Wardetzky. Persistent homology meets statistical inference – a case study: detecting modes of one-dimensional signals. Preprint, submitted to Foundations of Computational Mathematics. arXiv:1404.1214. 2014.

### Theses

- [17] U. Bauer. Persistence in discrete Morse theory. Dissertation. Georg-August-Universität Göttingen, 2011.
- [18] U. Bauer. Assignment problem with constraints. Diplomarbeit. Technische Universität München, 2005.

## Teaching

- 2014 spring **Geometry & Topology**, *seminar*, IST Austria.
- 2013 fall **Geometry & Topology**, *seminar*, IST Austria.
- 7/2013 **Persistent Homology**, *short course*, Summer School on Computational Topology and Topological Data Analysis, University of Ljubljana.
- 2013 spring **Geometry & Topology**, *seminar*, IST Austria.
- 2013 spring **Algorithms 2**, *recitation*, IST Austria.
- 2012 fall **Geometry & Topology**, *seminar*, IST Austria.
- 2009 fall **Differential Geometry I**, *tutorial*, Georg-August-Universität Göttingen.

## Advised theses

- 2011 **Nikolai Deuschle**, *Persistenzpaarungslöschung für 3D-Daten*, Bachelor's thesis, Georg-August-Universität Göttingen.

## Third-party funding

- 5/2006–4/2007 **TubeExpert Ltd.**, *Surface reconstruction of tubular shapes*, research cooperation, €45 000.

## Open source software

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| 2014 | <b>DIPHA (Distributed Persistent Homology Algorithm)</b> | <a href="https://dipha.googlecode.com">dipha.googlecode.com</a> |
| 2013 | <b>PHAT (Persistent Homology Algorithm Toolbox)</b>      | <a href="https://phat.googlecode.com">phat.googlecode.com</a>   |

## Reviewing

### Journals

- Discrete & Computational Geometry (DCG)
- Computational Geometry: Theory and Applications (CGTA)
- Computer Aided Geometric Design (CAGD)
- Computer Aided Design (CAD)
- Applicable Algebra in Engineering, Communication and Computing (AAECC)
- Topological Methods in Nonlinear Analysis
- GAMM-Mitteilungen

### Conferences

- ACM–SIAM Symposium on Discrete Algorithms (SODA)
- Symposium on Computational Geometry (SoCG)
- Symposium on Geometry Processing (SGP)
- European Symposium on Algorithms (ESA)
- Workshop on Topological Methods in Data Analysis and Visualization (TopInVis)
- Conference of the European Association for Computer Graphics (EG)
- SIBGRAPI Conference on Graphics, Patterns and Images
- IEEE/RSJ International Conference on Intelligent Robots and Systems (IROS)
- IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA)

## Organizing

- 6/2013 **Workshop on Computational Topology and Data Analysis**, *ACM Symposium on Computational Geometry*, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.  
Co-organized with Tamal Dey and Jan Reininghaus

## Outreach

- 3/2009 **Information day for prospective undergraduates**, *Georg-August-Universität Göttingen*, presenting research at the Institute of Numerical and Applied Mathematics.
- 6/2007 **Lange Nacht der Wissenschaften**, *Freie Universität Berlin*, presenting research in applied geometry to the general public.

## Administrative duties

- 2009 **Member of search committee**, *full professor of applied mathematics*, Institute of Numerical and Applied Mathematics, Georg-August-Universität Göttingen.

## Talks

- 18.11.2014 **The Morse theory of Čech and Delaunay filtrations**, *SBF colloquium Discretization in Geometry and Dynamics*, TU München.
- 9.9.2014 **The Morse theory of Čech and Delaunay filtrations**, *TopoSys project meeting*, IST Austria.
- 24.7.2014 **Induced matchings and the algebraic stability of persistence barcodes**, *Algebra and geometry seminar*, University of Bologna.
- 18.6.2014 **The Morse theory of Čech and Delaunay filtrations**, *Geometry seminar*, Technische Universität Wien.
- 11.6.2014 **The Morse theory of Čech and Delaunay filtrations**, *ACM Symposium on Computational Geometry 2014*, Kyoto.
- 13.1.2014 **The Morse theory of Čech and Delaunay filtrations**, Institute for Mathematics and its Applications, Minneapolis, MN.
- 9.1.2014 **The Morse theory of Čech and Delaunay filtrations**, *Topology, Geometry, and Data seminar*, Ohio State University, Columbus, OH.
- 5.1.2014 **Distributed computation of persistent homology**, *ALENEX14: SIAM Meeting on Algorithm Engineering and Experiments*, Portland, OR.
- 1.8.2013 **Computing persistent homology in chunks**, *SIAM Conference on Applied Algebraic Geometry*, Colorado State University, Fort Collins, CO.
- 26.7.2013 **Measuring distance between Reeb graphs**, *Carlsson–Guibas Seminar*, Stanford University.
- 18.6.2013 **Homological reconstruction and simplification in  $\mathbb{R}^3$** , *ACM Symposium on Computational Geometry 2013*, Rio de Janeiro.
- 7.4.2013 **Homological reconstruction and simplification**, *EMS/DMF Joint Mathematical Weekend*, Aarhus.
- 2.7.2012 **Topological simplification problems**, *ATMCS 5, IMCS*, Edinburgh.
- 7.11.2011 **Topological simplification of functions on surfaces**, *Workshop on Computational Topology*, Fields Institute, Toronto.
- 28.6.2011 **Topological simplification of functions on surfaces**, *Media Research Lab*, Courant Institute for Mathematical Sciences, NYU.
- 27.5.2011 **Persistenz in der diskreten Morse-Theorie**, *Research seminar Geometry & Visualization*, TU München.
- 14.4.2011 **Persistence in discrete Morse theory**, *IST Austria*, Klosterneuburg.
- 13.1.2011 **Topological denoising: Persistence meets total variation**, *Research seminar applied mathematics*, Universität Münster.
- 7.10.2009 **Topological simplification of discrete Morse functions on surfaces**, *Geometrica seminar*, INRIA Sophia-Antipolis.
- 11.6.2009 **Persistence simplification of discrete Morse functions on surfaces**, *Seminar Laboratoire Jean Kuntzmann*, Université Joseph Fourier, Grenoble.

- 15.1.2009 **Persistence simplification of discrete Morse functions on surfaces**, *Workshop on Discrete Differential Geometry*, Mathematisches Forschungsinstitut Oberwolfach.
- 28.6.2008 **Uniform convergence of discrete curvatures from nets of curvature lines**, *International conference on Mathematical methods for curves and surfaces*, Tønsberg.
- 23.4.2008 **Detection of Planar Regions in Volume Data for Topology Optimization**, *GMP 2008*, Hangzhou, China.
- 13.3.2008 **Parametric Reconstruction of Bent Tube Surfaces**, *Industry Challenges in Geometric Modeling, CAD and Simulation*, TU Darmstadt.
- 27.10.2007 **Parametric Reconstruction of Bent Tube Surfaces**, *NASAGEM Workshop*, Hannover.
- 21.5.2007 **Tube Reconstruction & Gate Stabbing**, *Colloquium Methods for Discrete Structures*, FU Berlin.

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## References

### Primary references

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