

THOMAS POWELL

Curriculum Vitae

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Full Name Thomas Rhidian John Powell
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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

Oct 2016 - **Postdoctoral Researcher**
Department of Mathematics
Technische Universität Darmstadt

Oct 2014 - Sep 2016 **Postdoctoral Researcher**
Institute of Computer Science
University of Innsbruck

Oct 2013 - Sep 2014 **CARMIN Postdoctoral Research Fellow**
Insitut des Hautes Etudes Scientifiques
(with a three month combined visit at Institut Henri Poincare)

EDUCATION

Oct 2009 - Aug 2013 **PhD in Theoretical Computer Science**
Queen Mary University of London
Supervised by Dr Paulo Oliva and Professor Edmund Robinson

Oct 2008 - Jun 2009 **MMath/Certificate of Advanced Study in Mathematics**
University of Cambridge

Oct 2005 - Jun 2008 **BA in Mathematics**
University of Cambridge

ARTICLES

Preprints

- *Well quasi-orders and the functional interpretation*
arXiv:1706.02881, 2017.
- *A proof theoretic study of abstract termination principles*
arXiv:1706.03577, 2017.

Publications in Journals or Conference Proceedings

- *Spector bar recursion over finite partial functions*
with Paulo Oliva. *Annals of Pure and Applied Logic* 168(5):887-921, 2017.
- *Gödel's functional interpretation and the concept of learning*
Proceedings of Logic in Computer Science (LICS 2016), IEEE Computer Society, 136-145, 2016.

- *Parametrised bar recursion: A unifying framework for realizability interpretations of classical dependent choice*
To appear in Journal of Logic and Computation, published online August 2015.
- *On the computational content of termination proofs*
with Georg Moser. Proceedings of Computability in Europe (CiE 2015), LNCS 9136:276-285, 2015.
- *A constructive interpretation of Ramsey's theorem via the product of selection functions*
with Paulo Oliva. Mathematical Structures in Computer Science 25(8):1755-1778, 2015.
- *The equivalence of bar recursion and open recursion*
Annals of Pure and Applied Logic 165(11):1727-1754, 2014.
- *Applying Gödel's Dialectica interpretation to obtain a constructive proof of Higman's lemma*
Proceedings of Classical Logic and Computation (CL&C'12), EPTCS 97:49-62, 2012.
- *On Spector's bar recursion*
with Paulo Oliva. Mathematical Logic Quarterly, 58(4-5):356-365, 2012.
- *System T and the product of selection functions*
with Martín Escardó and Paulo Oliva. Proceedings of Computer Science Logic (CSL'11), LIPIcs 12:233-247, 2011.

Book Chapters

- *A game-theoretic computational interpretation of proofs in classical analysis*
with Paulo Oliva. Chapter in 'Gentzen's Centenary: The Quest for Consistency', Springer, ISBN 978-3-319-10102-6, 2015.

PhD Thesis

- *On Bar Recursive Interpretations of Analysis*
Queen Mary University of London, pp. xii+174, August 2013.

TALKS AND INVITATIONS

Selected Talks at Seminars and Conferences

- Minisymposium on Applied Proof Theory and the Computational Content of Mathematics Joint ÖMG and DMV Congress, Salzburg, Austria, 14 September, 2017
- Humboldt-Kolleg: Proof Theory as Mathesis Universalis, Villa Vigoni, Como, Italy, 24-27 July 2017.
- Logic Research Seminar, LMU Munich, Germany, 12 July 2017.
- Logic Research Seminar, University of Bern, Switzerland, 27 October 2016.
- Logic, Complexity and Automation, Obergurgl, Austria, 5-9 September 2016.
- Logic in Computer Science (LICS 2016), New York City, USA, 5-8 July 2016.
- Classical Logic and Computation (CL&C 2016), Porto, Portugal, 23 June 2016.
- Mathematics for Computation, Niederaltaich, Germany, 8-13 May 2016.
- Proof, Computation, Complexity (PCC 2016), LMU Munich, Germany, 5-6 May 2016.
- Dagstuhl Seminar on Well Quasi-Orders in Computer Science (invited speaker), Schloss Dagstuhl, Germany, 17-22 January 2016.
- Workshop on Efficient and Natural Proof Systems, University of Bath, UK, 14-16 December 2015.
- Mathematical Logic Seminar, Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität, Germany, 4 November 2015.

- Continuity, Computability, Constructivity: From Logic to Algorithms (invited speaker). Kochel, Germany, 14-18 September 2015.
- Computability in Europe 2015. Bucharest, Romania, 29 June - 3 July 2015.
- Workshop on Hilbert's Epsilon and Tau in Logic, Informatics and Linguistics, University of Montpellier. France, 10-12 June 2015.
- Theory Seminar, Swansea University, UK, 4 December 2014.
- Second Workshop on the Two Faces of Complexity (invited speaker), Vienna Summer of Logic, Austria, 12 July 2014.
- Séminaire de Mathématiques, Institut des Hautes Études Scientifiques, France, 14 January 2014.
- PLUME Seminar, Laboratoire de l'Informatique du Parallélisme, ENS Lyon, France, 8 January 2014.
- Theory Seminar, Swansea University, UK, 17 December 2013.
- Semantics Seminar, PPS lab, Université Paris Diderot, France, 12 November 2013.
- Fourth International Workshop on Classical Logic and Computation (CL&C'12). University of Warwick, UK, 8 July 2012.
- Theoretical Computer Science Seminar. University of Birmingham, UK, 3 July 2012.
- Computer Science Logic 2011. Bergen, Norway, 12-15 September 2011.

Invitations to major international workshops

- Oberwolfach Workshop on Mathematical Logic: Proof Theory, Constructive Mathematics. MFO, Oberwolfach, Germany, 5-11 November 2017.
- Dagstuhl Seminar on Well Quasi-Orders in Computer Science, Schloss Dagstuhl, Germany, 17-22 January 2016.
- Oberwolfach Workshop on Mathematical Logic: Proof Theory, Constructive Mathematics. MFO, Oberwolfach, Germany, 16-22 November 2014.

ACADEMIC SERVICE

Organisation

- *Minisymposium on Applied Proof Theory and the Computational Content of Mathematics (co-organised with Sam Sanders)*, part of the joint annual conference of the Austrian Mathematical Society (ÖMG) and German Mathematical Society (DMV), Salzburg, September 11-15 2017.
- *Workshop on Logic, Complexity and Automation (co-organised with Georg Moser)*, part of Computational Logic in the Alps 2016, Obergurgl, 5-9 September 2016.

Reviewing

I have reviewed papers for the following journals and conferences: Annals of Pure and Applied Logic, Archive for Mathematical Logic, CSR, LICS, Logic Journal of the IGPL, RTA, TYPES, Theoretical Computer Science.

ACADEMIC PRIZES AND GRANTS

- Scholarship, Gonville and Caius College, Cambridge, 2006.
- Senior Scholarship, Gonville and Caius College, Cambridge, 2007.
- EPSRC Doctoral Training Grant (full PhD funding for 3.5 years), 2009.
- One of two postdoctoral fellowships of the CARMIN programme, 2013.

SUPERVISION AND TEACHING

Undergraduate tutorials (Queen Mary University of London)

- Introduction to Algebra (1st year)
- Introduction to Probability (1st year)
- Geometry I (1st year)
- Probability Models (2nd year)
- Convergence and Continuity (2nd year)
- Number Theory (3rd year)

Teaching assistant (TU Darmstadt)

- Analysis I (1st year)
- Analysis II (1st year)
- Linear Algebra (1st year)
- Automaten, formale Sprachen und Entscheidbarkeit (1st year)

Supervision.

- Philipp Wirtenberger. *Analysing the Complexity of Monotone Prolog*. Bachelor project, University of Innsbruck (co-supervised with Georg Moser), November 2016.

LANGUAGES

English (native), Welsh (fluent), German (intermediate)