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## EDUCATION

### HUMBOLDT-UNIVERSITÄT

PH.D. IN MATHEMATICS  
Jan 2010 | Berlin, Germany

### STEVENS TECH

M.S. STOCHASTIC SYSTEMS &  
OPTIMIZATION (W/ THESIS)  
May 2006 | Hoboken, NJ

### B.S. MATHEMATICAL SCIENCES

May 2004 | Hoboken, NJ

## RESEARCH

### THEORY & ALGORITHMS

I work on theory and algorithms for non-smooth, stochastic, and PDE-constrained optimization and equilibrium problems.

### APPLICATIONS

My work is geared towards applications in microfluidics and photonics as well as the development of risk-averse methodologies in the engineering sciences.

## TEACHING

### GRADUATE

PDE-Constrained Optimization  
Stochastic Programming  
Non-smooth Optimization  
Variational Inequalities  
Convex Analysis

### UNDERGRADUATE

Real Analysis  
Linear Programming  
Nonlinear Optimization

## EDITORIAL WORK

### REVIEWS

SIAM J. Optimization  
Mathematical Programming  
Optimization Methods & Software  
Optimization

## SKILLS

### PROGRAMMING

Matlab • Julia • Python

### LANGUAGES

English (native) • German (fluent) • Italian (intermediate)

## EXPERIENCE

### ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR

September 2016 – | Philipps-Universität Marburg, Germany

- Head of research group "Mathematical Optimization" in the Department of Mathematics and Computer Science

### ASSISTANT PROFESSOR

May 2014 – September 2016 | Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin, Germany

- Juniorprofessur for "Non-smooth Optimization and Set-valued Analysis"

### RESEARCH ASSOCIATE

May 2009 – May 2014 | Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin, Germany

- Member of research group "Applied Mathematics" led by Prof. Dr. Michael Hintermüller.

## CURRENT & PAST RESEARCH PROJECTS

### SPP 1962 P10 | Co-PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATOR

June 2017 – Present

- Full title: **Generalized Nash Equilibrium Problems with Partial Differential Operators: Theory, Algorithms, and Risk Aversion**
- Joint project w/ M. Hintermüller (HU Berlin, WIAS)

### ECMATH OT1 | Co-PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATOR

June 2014 – June 2017

- Full title: **Mathematical Modeling, Analysis, and Optimization of Strained Germanium-Microbridges**
- Joint project w/ M. Hintermüller (HU Berlin, WIAS), A. Mielke (HU Berlin, WIAS) Marita Thomas (WIAS)

## RECENT WORK

### PUBLICATIONS | IN REFEREED JOURNALS

- **Existence and Optimality Conditions for Risk-Averse PDE-Constrained Optimization**, SIAM/ASA J. Uncertainty Quantification 6 (2), (2018) 787-815. (w/ D.P. Kouri)
- **A PDE-constrained optimization approach for topology optimization of strained photonic devices** Optim Eng (2018) 19: 521. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s11081-018-9394-5> (w/ L. Adam, M. Hintermüller)
- **Finite Horizon Model Predictive Control of Electrowetting on Dielectric with Pinning**, Inter- faces and Free Boundaries 19 (1), (2017) 1-30. (w/ H. Antil, M. Hintermüller, R.H. Nochetto, and D. Wegner)
- **Risk-Averse PDE-Constrained Optimization Using the Conditional Value-At-Risk**, SIAM J. Optim., 26(1), (2016), 365-396. (w/ D.P. Kouri)

## ORGANIZATION

### ICSP 2019 TRONDHEIM, NORWAY | MINISYMPOSIUM

- "PDE-Constrained Optimization und Uncertainty and Applications" with D. P. Kouri (Sandia)

### SIAM UQ 2018 ANAHEIM, CALIFORNIA | MINISYMPOSIUM

- "Exploiting Structure in Optimization under Uncertainty" with D. P. Kouri (Sandia), D. Ridzal (Sandia), H. Antil (GMU)

Reference letters available upon request. I am a US citizen residing in Germany.