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# Cluster 1. Number Theory, Algebra and Geometry

## *Research Programme 1.1: Number Theory and Algebra*

*Programme leader: H.W. Lenstra*

### *Description of the project*

The main focus of the research programme is number theory. Number theory studies the properties of integers, with a historically strong emphasis on the study of diophantine equations, that is, systems of equations that are to be solved in integers. The methods of number theory are taken from several other branches of mathematics. Traditionally, these include algebra and analysis, and in recent times algebraic geometry has become increasingly important. Another recent development is the discovery that number theory has significant implications in more applied areas, such as cryptography, theoretical computer science, the theory of dynamical systems, and numerical mathematics. This discovery led to the rise of algorithmic and computational number theory, which occupies itself with the design, analysis, and efficient implementation of arithmetical algorithms. The overall result has been a unification rather than a diversification of number theory. For example, the applications in cryptography depend heavily on algebraic geometry, and algebraic number theory, which used to stand on itself, is now pervading virtually all of number theory. Themes of the programme reflect the research areas mentioned. They include finding points on algebraic curves, applications of group theory and algebraic number theory, the theory of finite fields, diophantine approximation, words and sequences, discrete tomography, primality tests and factorization methods, and the development of efficient computer algorithms.

The algebra portion of the programme is strongly oriented towards the applications of algebra in number theory and arithmetic geometry and towards algorithmic aspects. Themes include Galois theory and various aspects of group theory and ring theory.

The research programme also includes cryptology and the history of mathematics. Main themes in cryptology are the applications of number theory and algebra to the design of cryptographic schemes, and foundational issues are considered as well. In the history of mathematics, the emphasis is on the edition and translation of early Islamic mathematical and astronomical texts.

### *Research results in 2011*

Cascudo, Cramer and Xing have introduced the novel algebraic notion of “codex” as an abstraction that captures all known types arithmetic secret sharing schemes as well as the notion of bilinear algorithms for multiplication in finite fields as special cases. Algebraically, a codex is a dedicated yet natural type of presentation of a given finite-dimensional algebra (over a field). They have also initiated work on upper- and lower-bounds on the parameters of codices.

Cascudo, Cramer and Xing have also completed their work on torsion limits for algebraic functions fields over finite fields, which gives rise to significant improvements in the area of asymptotically good arithmetic secret sharing schemes.

In other work, addition, Cascudo, Cramer and Xing improved the best known bounds for the asymptotic complexity of multiplication in finite extensions of a given finite field, if the field is small (e.g. the binary field).

Cramer, Damgaard and Pastro have introduced a novel way to prove, in zero knowledge, multiplicative relations among committed secrets, using the asymptotically good arithmetic secret sharing schemes of Chen/Cramer (2006).

Cramer, Damgaard, Kiltz and Zottarel initiated work on the difficulty of Diffie-Hellman problems under extensions of the field of definition.

Evertse, together with A. Bérczes and K. Györy, finished a paper on multiply monogenic orders. Most of this research was carried out in 2010.

Together with K. Györy Evertse finished a paper on effective results for unit equations over finitely generated domains. This concerns equations  $ax+by=c$  where the coefficients  $a,b,c$  belong to an integral domain  $A$  which is finitely generated over  $\mathbb{Z}$  and the unknowns  $x, y$  are taken from the unit group  $A^*$  of  $A$ . They proved in a well defined sense that if the domain  $A$  is “effectively given”, then the solutions  $x,y$  of this equation can be effectively determined in principle. Further, they obtained a quantitative result, giving an explicit upper bound for the “sizes” of  $x,y$ .

Presently, Evertse is working together with A. Bérczes and K. Györy on generalizations of the above result to other types of Diophantine equations, such as Thue equations, and hyper- and super elliptic equations. This is ongoing research.

Finally, together with K. Györy Evertse is writing a book on unit equations and discriminant equations. This is ongoing work.

B. van Dalen, L. Hajdu and R. Tijdeman studied discrete tomography in two dimensions and published their results in arxiv 1104.5589.

L. Hajdu, N. Saradha and R. Tijdeman investigated a conjecture of Pomerance and established it under the Riemann Hypothesis: arxiv 1107.5191.

R. Tijdeman solved a problem of M. Spijker with applications in the theory of multi-step methods. Later he extended the paper in collaboration with F. Beukers. See arxiv 1107.5495.

L. Hajdu and R. Tijdeman dealt with a problem of M. Nathanson and some related results in arxiv 1201.3991.

H.W. Lenstra worked on the following projects:

With Y. Kilic on super solvable groups

With M. Lopuszański on topological fields

With A. Javanpeykar on Brauer groups

With R. Eggermont on Witt-vectors and the theorem of Brauer-Nesbitt

With H. Matthijssen on Archimedes

With M. Kusters on commutative algebra and curves over finite fields

With B. Jansen on Mersenne prime numbers and class field theory

With A. Lbekkouri on wild extensions of local fields

With G. Dalla Torre on the unit residue group

With B.M. Hoang on algebras and the theorem of Skolem-Noether

With D. Duong Hoang on group theory

With J. Bouw on the norm residue symbol

With J. Daems on the history of the crystallographic groups

With A. Gioia on the theory of Tate-Bhargava-Galois

R. van Luijk has been working with C. Salgado on the density of rational points on Del Pezzo surfaces. He has also been working with D. Testa and B. Poonen on the computability of Picard numbers and with M. Bright and D. Testa on a book about Brauer-Manin obstructions.

B. de Smit continued joint work with T. Chinburg (Philadelphia) and F. Bleher (Iowa City) on the inverse problem for deformation rings of linear representations, extending the results already obtained.

In October 2011 ALGANT PhD student K. Dorobisz started his PhD project in this topic.

A. Siviero obtained results with B. de Smit on statistical behaviour of abelian extensions of number fields, and in particular on the interplay between the local structure (following methods of M. Wood) and the Galois module class of the ring of integers (following L. McCulloh, A. Agboola). These results will be part of the ALGANT PhD thesis of A. Siviero in 2013, which will be supervised by B. de Smit and B. Erez (Bordeaux).

Following up on questions of G. Cornelissen (Utrecht), B. de Smit obtained finer results on the degree to which a number field can be characterized by its abelian L-functions.

The collaborative computational project ABC@Home ([abcathome.com](http://abcathome.com)) continued to run in 2011 under supervision of B. de Smit. It was improved further, and the data collected from many thousands of computers have been published.

Stevenhagen finished a paper with Lenstra and Moree (MPIM Bonn) on the use of character sums in the evaluation of Artin primitive root densities.

With E. Howe (CCR San Diego) he worked on genus-2 curves and abelian surfaces over finite fields.

With A. Angelakis, he studied absolute abelian Galois groups of imaginary quadratic fields.

J. Brau worked on algorithmic aspects of Galois representations attached to elliptic curves over the rational numbers.

## ***Research Programme 1.2: Arithmetic Geometry***

***Programme leader: S.J. Edixhoven***

### *Description of the project*

Geometers study geometric properties of sets of solutions of systems of equations. According to the possible kinds of equations (continuous, differentiable, analytic, polynomial), and of the structures that one studies, one distinguishes kinds of geometry (topology, differential topology and differential geometry, analytic geometry, algebraic geometry, arithmetic geometry).

In algebraic geometry the equations are given by polynomials. Classically, the coefficients and solutions were complex numbers. Number theorists consider integer or rational coefficients and solutions. The goal of arithmetic geometry is to understand the relations between algebraic geometry and number theory.

Three important notions in arithmetic geometry are “algebraic variety” (abstraction of system of polynomial equations), “zeta function” and “cohomology”. Zeta functions associated to algebraic varieties are generating functions defined using the numbers of solutions in finite fields. Cohomology associates vector spaces equipped with certain structures to algebraic varieties. One important aim of arithmetic geometry is to understand the relations between the values of zeta functions at integers and properties of the set of rational solutions. Cohomology plays an important role here. Cohomology also provides representations of Galois groups, which is essential for Langlands's program (relations between such representations and “automorphic” representations of matrix groups). The most striking results obtained in this field are the proof of Weil's conjectures (Dwork, Grothendieck, Deligne), Faltings's proof of Mordell's conjecture, Fontaine's theory (comparison between certain cohomologies), Wiles's proof of Fermat's Last Theorem, and Lafforgue's and Ngo's results on Langlands's conjectures.

Apart from its numerous applications within mathematics, algebraic geometry over finite fields provides error correcting codes and crypto systems, both used in everyday life.

### *Research results in 2011*

Edixhoven has made a counterexample to a relative Manin-Mumford conjecture for semi-abelian schemes by D. Bertrand (Paris) more explicit. He has found a new proof of Gauss's theorem on sums of three squares of integers that uses simple properties of group schemes over the integers.

He supervised the master thesis in which Jinbi Jin has shown that multiplication on elliptic curves by an integer  $n$  can be described by three polynomials.

Another master student, M. Derickx, has made significant progress on the question of primes that occur as order of a point on an elliptic curve over a number field of degree at most  $d$ , for  $d$  is 5, 6, or 7, and on the question of determining the gonality of some modular curves.

De Jong has found precise asymptotic formulae for Arakelov invariants related to Gross-Schoen cycles. He has obtained results on special values of canonical Green's functions on hyper-elliptic Riemann surfaces. Using the concept of Bloch pairing he has extended a result of S. Zhang on the height of Gross-Schoen cycles. In particular this led to a differential-geometric criterion for the vanishing of the height.

Together with J. Draisma he has explored a numerical approach to the SICPOVMs problem using theta functions on elliptic curves.

Together with Y. Achinger he has proved that for MDS Goppa codes, for sizes of the field of definition larger than some linear function in the dimension of the code, the length is bounded as predicted by the main conjecture on MDS codes.

Taelman has continued his research on the subtle arithmetic invariants that are reflected in special values of L-functions associated with Drinfeld modules and related objects. Most importantly, he has obtained the first case of a function field Herbrand-Ribet theorem (to appear in *Inventiones Mathematicae*).

Together with Bruno Anglès from Caen he has obtained a counter-example to the function field case of the Kummer-Vandiver conjecture.

Ongoing work with Bruno Anglès focuses on generalizing these results into a Main Conjecture for Drinfeld modules.

## Cluster 2. Analysis and Stochastics

### *Research Programme 2.1: Analysis and Dynamical Systems*

*Programme leader: A. Doelman*

#### *Description of the project*

This program focuses on asymptotic operator-theoretical methods to analyze problems arising from concrete classes of integral, differential and difference equations. Both linear and non-linear equations are studied, and the problems may have a finite-dimensional or infinite-dimensional character. Typical for this program is a strong interaction with dynamical systems, functional analysis, numerical analysis, partial differential equations, probability theory and complex function theory.

There is a special focus on the analysis of infinite dimensional dynamical systems and applications. Determining the long-term behavior of dynamical systems can be a time consuming and difficult task. It is often essential to combine perturbation and numerical methods with methods from dynamical systems theory. Rather than considering the equations for fixed values of the physical parameters, we often study solutions as a function of the physical parameters. Specific examples that are investigated include singularly perturbed equations, dynamical systems with time delays in the feedback loop, differential equations modeled on a lattice, and various model systems that govern processes in earth sciences, life sciences and engineering.

The current research interests of the group include: Algebras associated with dynamical systems, pattern formation, differential-difference equations of mixed type, localized structures in reaction-diffusion equations, invariant measures for stochastic delay equations, Ginzburg-Landau equations, etc.

#### **Algebras associated with dynamical systems**

When a group  $G$  acts on a Banach algebra  $A$  there are several algebras of crossed product type naturally associated with these data. It is the aim of this project to understand the relationship between the associated algebra and the initial dynamical system. Well rooted in  $C^*$ -theory is the case where  $A$  is the algebra of continuous functions on a compact Hausdorff space  $X$  and the group  $G$  is the integers, in which case one wants to understand the structure of the associated algebra in terms of the dynamical system on  $X$ , but the even more naturally associated involutive Banach algebra of crossed product type (an  $L^1$ -algebra with twisted convolution) is also under investigation.

Another main line of research consists of constructing the appropriate Banach algebra crossed product for a given set of covariant representations of a Banach algebra dynamical system. This is a natural generalization of  $C^*$ -crossed products and is analogously expected to be the main tool when studying group representations in Banach spaces and induction procedures in these spaces.

#### **Positive representations**

There is an abundance of examples, within and outside mathematics, of groups acting as positive operators in Riesz spaces and Banach lattices. Quite in contrast to the analogous case of unitary representations, such positive representations have not yet been investigated systematically. It is the aim of this project to initiate this theory. Current focuses are on finite and compact groups, and on the construction of a Banach lattice algebra of crossed product type analogous to the group  $C^*$ -algebra in the unitary case. For the latter, there is a close connection with the previous project.



## **Pattern Formation**

Pattern formation, or: the dynamics of spatial structures described by high dimensional dynamical systems (mostly partial differential equations) is a central theme within the research of Doelman. His research builds on two foundations: fundamental analysis of “simple” patterns such as localized or spatially periodic patterns and applied analysis of explicit models that generate patterns. Of course there is a strong interaction between these two aspect of Doelman's research. Topics within the former aspect include Evans function methods, the dynamics of modulated waves, the interactions between localized structures.

The applications range from phytoplankton dynamics and internal (oceanic) waves to Josephson junctions and fuel cells. The models often have a reaction-diffusion structure, but can also be of sine-Gordon, nonlinear Schrodinger or Cahn-Hilliard type

## **Singularity formation in natural systems.**

Singularities arise when nonlinear effects dominate the dispersive ones, up to the formation of the singularity. Singularity formation, also called blowup, has received a considerable amount of attention in problems ranging from nonlinear optics, plasma physics and combustion to hydrodynamics, and from stellar dynamics to chemotaxis in bacteria. In work of Rottschäfer, the formation of singularities is studied in projects that are motivated by these concrete applications. The equations that are used to model the applications can be divided into two classes: amplitude equations, such as the Korteweg-de Vries equation, and systems of reaction-diffusion equations. In the study of blowup solutions for these equations, combination of numerical, asymptotical and geometrical methods is used.

This research is part of the VIDI project of Rottschäfer.

## **Applications to Life Sciences**

This research project concerns the modeling, analysis and simulation of long-term behaviour of discrete and continuous dynamical systems that occur in Life Sciences, in particular in chemotaxis of unicellular organisms, cell signaling and plant (secondary) metabolism. From a mathematical modeling perspective, these three biological topics result in the analysis and simulation of measure-valued structured population models with “internal” dynamics for individuals described by systems of nonlinear ordinary differential equations. That is, a prototypical example of a system of mixed type.

The mathematical research focuses on: (1) the long-term behaviour of systems of measure-valued evolutionary equations of mixed type using a functional analytic (semi-group) approach; (2) application of the fundamental results of part (1) to experimental systems, in particular the gradient detection system in *Dictyostelium* chemotaxis, auxine transport in *Arabidopsis* and secondary metabolite production in cell suspension cultures of *Catharanthus roseus* (among others in collaboration with the groups of, respectively, prof.dr. T. Schmidt, prof.dr. B. van Duijn and prof.dr. R. Verpoorte); and (3) data oriented system's analysis: e.g. system properties, like attractors, are numerically approximated based on experimental data, and parameter estimation.

## **Applications to Earth Sciences**

Development of a computational method for the control of dike heights (research carried out at both the Mathematical Institute and CWI).

The Dutch government institute Deltares (the former Rijkswaterstaat) continuously inspects the degree of protection against flooding of large parts of the Netherlands, offered by primary dikes and by the dunes.

Following the 1953 floodings, van Dantzig (Mathematisch Centrum, the current CWI) developed a mathematical model with which the optimal height of a dike can be computed. The model also allows to compute when and how much, optimally, a dike has to be increased.

The model concerns a control problem in which a minimum is found in the cost for dike increase plus the expected cost due to flooding. The model has been elaborated in software which is being used on a routine basis for many years already. However, the model no longer satisfies tomorrow's safety requirements. It is unsuited for quickly incorporating new insights, e.g., new flooding chances (following from more accurate predictions of climate change) and new rates of economical growth (or shrinkage); the model lacks dynamics. Further, it does not consider uncertainty in the underlying climatological and economical models; it also lacks stochastics. Both shortcomings are remedied in the current research project.

### **Environmental Sciences**

Two research projects within the group are in the field of environmental sciences and appear at the overlap between earth and life sciences. The first one is a collaboration between Doelman, de Swart (IMAU, Utrecht), Zagaris (UT) and their mutual PhD student Zijlstra (CWI). In the project the dynamics of phytoplankton is studied. Central topic of investigation is the formation and subsequent bifurcations of "deep chlorophyll maxima". In another project, Doelman studies the dynamics of vegetation patterns and their crucial role in the process of desertification. This is a joint project with Rademacher (CWI), Rietkerk (Environmental Sciences, Utrecht) and van der Stelt (PhD student, CWI/UvA).

### **Applications to Energy Engineering**

Development of a computational tool for the simulation of wind-farm aerodynamics (research carried out at both the Mathematical Institute, CWI and the Energy Research Center of the Netherlands).

The Dutch government plans that a significant portion of the Dutch future energy need is to be produced by wind farms at the North Sea. A wind farm is a large set of wind turbines positioned in some matrix form. Various research questions still exist with respect to wind farms; economical, ecological and technological. A major technological question is how to position and design the separate wind turbines, such that the energy production of the wind farm as a whole is maximal.

Investigation, with analytical and computational tools, of instabilities in tokamak plasmas, in which fusion of deuterium and tritium nuclei occurs. This research is done in cooperation with the FOM Institute for Plasma Physics, and is directed towards the ITER tokamak, which is currently under construction in Cadarache, France. The specific instabilities that are investigated are so-called edge localized modes, instabilities at the outer edge of the tokamak plasma, that show similarity with solar flares.

### **Lattice structure in partially ordered vector spaces**

In most partially ordered vector spaces there is some natural lattice structure present, such as, for instance, disjointness of supports of functions. Such lattice structure is not captured by the rich theory of vector lattices, nor by the traditional theory of partially ordered vector spaces. It is the aim of the project to develop a theory on lattice structure in partially ordered vector spaces similar to the theory for vector lattices. A key technique is the use of the Riesz completion or, more generally, order dense embeddings in larger vector lattices. It is systematically investigated which intrinsically defined notions correspond to those of larger vector lattices and which properties can be established similar to the vector lattice case.

### **Dynamics of stochastic differential equations**

If a deterministic dynamical system is perturbed by noise, it is important to know how its dynamic characteristics are changed by the noise. Persistence of stability is of particular interest. It is investigated under what conditions steady states of deterministic differential equations lead to stationary solutions, when the equation is perturbed by stochastic noise. The

research focusses on infinite dimensional equations such as delay equations and partial differential equations, nonlinearities, and noise driven by Levy processes.

### *Research results in 2011*

Kalauch (Dresden), Lemmens (Canterbury) and van Gaans have shown that in finite dimensional partially vector ordered spaces with polyhedral cones the number of bands is bounded by a number only depending on the dimension of the space and that, consequently, the same number bounds the number of bands in any Archimedean finite dimensional partially ordered vector space with order unit. The number of bands can be strictly greater than in the vector lattice case.

Chen, van Gaans and Verduyn Lunel have established new criteria for stability of nonlinear neutral differential equations with variable delays by means of a fixed point technique.

P. Haccou c.s. further developed the “hazard rate” concept in the context of genetic introgression, adding more realistic genetical mechanisms. Furthermore, they developed methods to calculate the hazard rate of introgression for small populations. In addition, they examined the effect of random environmental fluctuations on the hazard rate.

They developed a model for bacterial sporulation, as a basis for examining the form of bet hedging strategies under different environmental conditions. It was found that the delay between the initiation of sporulation and the final time at which spores are completed plays a crucial role.

The stability of self-similar, radially symmetric blowup solutions of the Ginzburg-Landau equation (GL) for all dimensions  $2 < d < 4$  has been studied by A. Doelman, V. Rottschäfer and the Ph.D. student M. van der Schans.

The previous study of stability with respect to radially symmetric perturbations has been extended to analysis of the linear stability with respect to non-radially symmetric perturbations. The asymptotic construction of the solution and Evans function techniques are used to analyse the discrete spectrum. However, due to the nature of the solutions that were found in the asymptotic analysis, Evans function techniques are not directly applicable.

S.C. Hille continued his collaboration with the Plant BioDynamics Laboratory at the Institute of Biology Leiden (IBL) on mathematical modeling, analysis and simulation of auxin transport in Chara species and Arabidopsis thaliana (a.o. C.J.M. Boot, B. van Duijn, K.J.M. Libbenga, R. Offringa and L.A. Peletier)

S.C. Hille collaborated with P. Haccou (CML, UL), M. Emmerich (LIACS, UL), L. Sella (UL) and the experimental microbiology group of O. Kuipers (RUG) in the interdisciplinary project “BetNet” within NWO's Computational Life Science programme. The project concerns (a.o.) the mathematical modeling and analysis of stochastic effects in part of the sporulation signaling and regulatory network of Bacillus subtilis. A stochastic simulation and optimisation tool have been developed. The project ended October 2011.

O. van Gaans, S.C. Hille and T.S.O. Alkurdi work on existence, uniqueness and asymptotic stability of invariant measures associated to dynamical systems perturbed by stochastic interventions at discrete time points.

S.C. Hille collaborates with J. Dubbeldam (TUD) on the effects of stochasticity in signal and chemical dynamics on signal detection and transduction for G-protein coupled receptors, using analysis and stochastic simulations.

S.C. Hille started a new collaboration with A. Muntean (TU Eindhoven) on a measure-valued formulation of models for crowd dynamics, including boundary conditions.

M. de Jeu continued his collaboration with J. Tomiyama (Tokyo) and obtained several results on spectral synthesis for the involutive Banach algebra associated with a dynamical system.

M. de Jeu and M. Wortel studied positive representations of compact groups in Banach lattices. Amongst others, a decomposition into order irreducibles was established for Banach sequence spaces that parallels the classical result for unitary representations in Hilbert spaces.

M. de Jeu and M. Messerschmidt continued the earlier investigations of crossed products of Banach algebras already done in the group. They showed that  $L_1$ -algebras and Beurling algebras are crossed products and that Johnson's classical result on the relation between  $G$ -bimodules and  $L_1(G)$ -bimodules is a special case of the general bijection theorem for crossed products of Banach algebras. First steps were made to take this into an ordered context.

## ***Research Programme 2.2: Probability Theory*** ***Programme leader: W.Th.F. den Hollander***

### *Description of the project*

The research in **Probability Theory** concentrated on interacting stochastic systems. Such systems consist of a large number of interacting random components that interact with each other and with their environment. The interaction is typically local, and may be either deterministic or random. The latter occurs in systems with disorder.

Even when the interaction is local, interacting stochastic systems typically exhibit a complex global behavior, with a long-rang dependence resulting in anomalous fluctuations and phase transitions. To mathematically understand these systems requires the use of powerful probabilistic ideas and techniques. The challenge is to introduce simple models, which serve as paradigms, and to unravel the complex random spatial structures arising in these models. Statistical physics and ergodic theory provide the conceptual ideas, while probability theory provides the mathematical language and framework. The important challenge is to give a precise mathematical treatment of the physics that arises from the underlying complexity.

Much of the knowledge that has been built up in mathematical statistical physics over the past decades is currently making its way into biology. One of the tasks is to help facilitate this cross-fertilization and to address concrete biological questions at the interface. Examples are coming from population genetics, and immune system biology.

The research focused on phase transitions (percolation, random polymers, random walks in dynamic random environments, parabolic Anderson model, porous media, meta-stability), ergodic properties of random processes (dynamical Gibbs-non-Gibbs transitions, hidden Markov chains), and topics from mathematical biology (population dynamics). Key tools were large deviation theory, stochastic analysis, variational calculus and combinatorics.

There is an interesting link between algebraic dynamical systems and solvable models of statistical mechanics. It turns out that entropies of apparently different systems often coincide, and that this coincidence is not accidental. It is also interesting to understand whether the probabilistic properties of these systems are related.

Research aims at providing an explanation for this phenomenon. A powerful combinatorial technique to study high-dimensional systems is the lace expansion. The aim is to obtain a rigorous understanding of phase transitions in high dimensions, including diffusion on critical spatial structures.

The research in **Operations Research** concentrated on Markov chains, Markov decision processes and Markov games, with applications to problems in stochastic networks, in particular, queueing control models and inventory control.

One of the main issues concerns stability. How can stability be checked? If stable, how fast does the network reach its stationary distribution? If unstable, what does the quasi-stationary distribution look like? How can efficient algorithms be developed to control the network according to certain pre-set optimisation criteria? Are these algorithms amenable to practical implementation? What can one say about the structure of optimal policies? Which type of customer should be prioritised to optimise network performance? How to choose the optimal

re-order point and optimal order quantity in a single product inventory model? These questions are studied within the framework of Markov chain theory.

Often the situation arises where there are conflicting interests, for instance, maximizing server efficiency while minimizing customer dissatisfaction. This may be studied through Markov game models.

#### *Research results in 2011*

In 2011 F. den Hollander worked on the following projects:

With F.R. Nardi (Eindhoven) and A. Troiani: Metastability and nucleation for a two-dimensional lattice gas consisting of two types of particles subject to Kawasaki dynamics.

With R. dos Santos: Random walk on top of a supercritical contact process.

With R. Fernandez (Utrecht) and J. Martinez: Dynamical Gibbs-non-Gibbs transitions for the Curie-Weiss model.

With D. Erhard and G. Maillard (Marseille): Quenched Lyapunov exponents and intermittency for the Parabolic Anderson Model in a dynamic random environment.

With E. Bolthausen (Zürich) and A. Opoku: Variational characterization of the free energy of a copolymer chain near a selective interface.

With J. Goodman: Large deviations for the inradius of the complement of a Brownian motion on a torus.

With A. Greven (Erlangen), S. Kliem (Essen) and A. Klimovsky (EURANDOM): Renormalization of hierarchically interacting Cannings processes.

With A. Gaudillière (Marseille), F.R. Nardi (Eindhoven), E. Olivieri (Rome) and E. Scoppola (Rome): Metastability and nucleation for the two-dimensional lattice gas subject to Kawasaki dynamics in large volumes.

With N. Pétrélis (Nantes): Free energy of a copolymer in a micro-emulsion.

With M. Birkner (Mainz): Scaling behavior of random polymers near random interfaces.

With A. Bovier (Bonn): Preparation of a monograph "Metastability - a Potential-Theoretic Approach".

In 2011 F. Spieksma worked on the following projects:

Stability conditions for parametrised collections of Markov processes.

With S. Bhulai (VU): Structural properties of the value function in Markovian control problems. Resource allocation in synchronised queueing models.

With M. Katehakis (Newark, USA): Lumping method in optimal control of single-product inventory models.

In 2011 E. Verbitskiy worked on the following projects:

Renormalization of Gibbs measures in one dimension.

With D. Lind (Seattle) and K. Schmidt (Vienna): Entropy and growth rate of periodic points of algebraic  $\mathbb{Z}^d$ -actions.

With M. Goll (Leiden) and K. Schmidt (Vienna): Correspondence between solvable and algebraic lattice systems.

With R. Fernandez (Utrecht): Cluster expansions and hidden Markov processes

In 2011 M. Heydenreich worked on the following projects:

With R. van der Hofstad (Eindhoven), T. Hulshof (Eindhoven), G. Miermont (Orsay): Scaling limits of high-dimensional incipient infinite clusters.  
Random walk on the incipient infinite cluster.

With J. van den Berg (CWI) and J. Björnberg (Uppsala): A probabilistic model related to vegetation patterns and desertification.

With D. Kiss (CWI): Backbone density of high-dimensional percolation.

With N. Berger (Jerusalem): Diffusion constant of random walk on supercritical percolation clusters.

With R. Meester (VU): Poisson Matching.

## ***Research Programme 2.3: Mathematical and Applied Statistics***

***Programme leader: R.D. Gill***

### *Description of the project*

Statistics is the art of drawing conclusions about phenomena in which chance plays a role. Randomness may arise through a variety of reasons: the intrinsic random nature of a phenomenon, unavoidable noise in an experiment, conscious randomization of experimental or measurement units, or as a best approximation to reality. Chance phenomena occur in a broad range of situations. This has rendered Statistical Science a highly multidisciplinary undertaking, but with a core body of concepts and methods that are common to the diverse applications. In the stochastics group at MI we concentrate on a few of the many strands in Statistical Science. Those chosen have in common that they represent areas of rapid development and strong relevance to science and society, and have substantial and challenging mathematical components. These are: forensic statistics; high throughput “omics” data; statistical and machine learning; and quantum statistics.

Forensic statistics is developing into a field of statistics with a rather special flavour, where neither classical frequentist nor classical Bayesian approaches fit the need to communicate the weight of evidence of some crime-related findings to a judge or jury. The focus lies on the likelihood ratio, and in the cases that the statistical analysis is really significant, this involves extrapolation into the tails of distributions, small data sets, and unreliable modeling. A particular example is given by estimating the probability of a random match of a DNA profile. Here the research relies also on statistical genetics and the probability models used in that area.

Development and applications of multivariate analysis/statistical learning techniques have especially been directed toward the field of systems biology, particularly genomics, transcriptomics, proteomics and metabolomics, where there is a high demand for data analysis techniques for high-volume data sets. These high-throughput “omics” data can be characterized as consisting of few objects compared to very many variables. Objects (e.g., patients) may cluster on small subsets of variables (e.g., measurements obtained by LC-mass spectrometry). Other interest is in the structure of fluorescence intensity data of SNP arrays. Modeling of this structure may result in parameter estimates that can be used to improve the results of “calling algorithms” that assign alleles to one of three genotypes.

In statistical learning/machine learning one deals with data arising from complex, often ill-understood phenomena. The aim is to find patterns in such data, and use these to predict future data, based on robust methods that make only few assumptions. Such methods can be very different in nature: they include structural risk minimization for classification and regression, but also nonparametric Bayesian methods. One may also use more traditional unions of parametric models combined with model selection and/or averaging procedures and analyze their behaviour under the assumption that they are all wrong, yet still useful in prediction. The research concerns both theoretical analysis of such methods and development of new, practical methods that combine the advantages of several existing ones.

Quantum statistics refers to the role of statistical inference for data on measurements from quantum systems. This field is making a rapid transition from a theoretical academic exercise to the laboratory and beyond, to technology, fueled by the rise of quantum information and quantum communication.



### *Research results in 2011*

Part of the research time of R. Gill at Netherlands Institute of Advanced Studies was devoted to problems of communicating results from statistics and probability to non-specialists, whether in a professional context (e.g., when a forensic statistician gives advice in a police investigation or a court case) or in public outreach. This led to original new research results on some classical probability puzzles: the Monty Hall problem (three door problem, quizmaster problem) and the Two Envelope Problem (exchange problem). A journal article appeared in *Statistica Neerlandica* on the three doors problem, as well as invited contributions on the problem to two encyclopaedia projects (one an encyclopaedia on statistical science published by Springer). The workshop he organized at the Lorentz Center as part of his distinguished Lorentz Fellowship also addressed these problems and resulted in a “state of the art” paper which has been submitted for publication in an interdisciplinary forensic science journal.

In 2011, P. Grünwald continued work with W. Kotlowski on the behaviour of ML estimators for exponential families when the models are wrong. He also continued work on his VICI project “safe statistics”, leading to a publication at the annual COLT (Conference on Learning Theory) on “safe learning” and (jointly with T. van Erven, W. Koolen and S. de Rooij) at the prestigious NIPS conference on “adaptive hedging”. Both publications are about “learning the learning rate”, the parameter which determines the level of conservativeness of Bayesian-style learning algorithms.

In 2011 J. J. Meulman worked on the following projects:

With J. Friedman (Stanford) on multiple regression with multiple outcomes.

With A. van der Kooij (FSW) on regularized multiple regression with optimal scaling.

With S. Amodio and R. Siciliano (Naples) on generalized boosted additive models.

With R. Rippe (Leiden UMC) and P. Eilers (Erasmus MC): Advanced statistical tools for SNP arrays, including signal calibration, copy number estimation, and single array genotyping.

With H. Draisma (VU), Th. Hankemeier (LACDR) and D. Boomsma (VU) on hierarchical clustering analysis of blood plasma lipidomics profiles from mono- and dizygotic twin families.

With H. van Wietmarschen (LACDR), A. van der Kooij (FSW) and J. van der Greef (TNO) on characterization of rheumatoid arthritis sub-types using symptom profiles, clinical chemistry and metabolomics measurements.

***Project Mathematics, Computer Science and Society***  
***Project leader: F.A.J. Birrer***

*Description of the project*

Research area:

Mathematics & Society, Computer Science/Chemistry/Science & Society.

Mission/themes:

Understanding and supporting argumentative, procedural and ethical quality in societal debate, deliberation and decision making that relate to (or draw upon) science and technology, particularly information technology, mathematical models and statistics, environmental issues and biotechnology

*Research results in 2011*

The work with W. Mensink was finished, resulting in his PhD thesis on innovation in health care, successfully defended in December. A start was made with the construction of a political analysis framework that fits with the framework elements developed earlier

## Kloosterman Professor

In 1986 the Mathematical Institute established a visiting professorship in Mathematics, for two months a year, called the Kloosterman Chair. Hendrik Douwe Kloosterman was born on April 9, 1900. After studying in Leiden, Copenhagen, Oxford, Göttingen and Hamburg, he was appointed “lector” in Leiden in 1930 and full professor in 1947. He died on May 6, 1968. He is mostly known for his work in analytic number theory on what we now call “Kloosterman sums”.

The Kloosterman professor of 2011 was Jean-Louis Colliot-Thélène, from the University of Paris-sud in Orsay (CNRS), invited by B. Edixhoven. He visited the Mathematical Institute during the months of March and April.

Jean-Louis Colliot-Thélène is one of the main authorities on questions involving algebraic geometry and number theory, aimed at the study of rational points on algebraic varieties. His scientific career started in 1968, in Paris, when algebraic geometry was going through a revolution. He has obtained many important deep results in various areas, including K-theory, Chow groups, algebraic groups and torsors, and the arithmetic of varieties in general.

He has received many awards and invitations to give distinguished lectures, including:

- Médaille Albert Châtelet (1980),
- Prix de l'Académie des Sciences (Charles-Louis de Saulses de Freycinet, 1985),
- Prix Fermat de Recherche en Mathématique (1991),
- Grand Prix Léonid Frank de l'Académie des Sciences de Paris (2009),
- International Congress of Mathematicians, Berkeley (1986),
- Sackler distinguished lectures, Tel Aviv (2003).

He has been a long-term visitor at various highly-regarded institutions around the world.

During his visit, Colliot-Thélène has given four lectures of two hours each on the Hasse principle in the Number Theory Intercity Seminar in Amsterdam (VU), Leiden, and Groningen, as well as the traditional Kloosterman colloquium lecture in Leiden on sums of squares.

In Leiden, he has had much interaction in the form of lively discussions with many members of the Geometry, Algebra, and Number Theory group, and in particular with the local PhD students.

## International and National Programmes

### *International Programmes:*

Erasmus Mundus Master and Doc programs Algebra, Geometry and Number Theory  
2010-2015

Cooperation with Bordeaux and Padova and Orsay, Milano, Stellenbosch and Montreal.

See: [www.math.u-bordeaux1.fr/ALGANT/](http://www.math.u-bordeaux1.fr/ALGANT/)

Coordinators: P. Stevenhagen, S.J. Edixhoven.

ERC grant: Variational Approach to Interacting Stochastic Systems

2011-2015

Project leader: W.Th.F. den Hollander.

Long term collaboration with Tokyo Metropolitan University in the project Algebras associated with dynamical systems. The collaboration is supported by an NWO visitor's grant for Prof.Em. J. Tomiyama

Coordinator: M.F.E. de Jeu.

FOM Programme Active Control of Magneto-hydrodynamic modes in Burning Plasmas

B. Koren (co-leader).

Multivariate clustering in high-volume data sets

With Jerome H. Friedman, Stanford University

Project leader: J.J. Meulman.

Development of user-friendly software for nonlinear multivariate data analysis by optimal scaling transformations

With SPSS Inc, Chicago

Project leader: J.J. Meulman.

PASCAL2 (European Network of Excellence)

2008-2012

Project leaders: P. Grünwald and J.J. Meulman.

Erasmus programme Bilateral Agreement with Università degli Studi di Padova

Project leader: J.J. Meulman.

NWO-EW programme "Forensic Science"

Project member: R.D. Gill.

### *National Programmes:*

NWO cluster: Discrete, interactive & algorithmic mathematics, algebra and number theory.  
(DIAMANT)

Project leader: P.Stevenhagen.

NWO VICI-premie: The Mathematics of Secure Computation

1/4/2007-1/4/2013

Project leader: R. Cramer.

NWO Vrije Competitie Quantum Cryptography  
2008-2012  
Project leaders: Fehr and Cramer, Bouman (PhD student).

NWO Vrije Competitie project: Banach algebra dynamical systems and positivity  
1/9/2009-1/9/2013  
Project leader: M. de Jeu.

NWO VENI-project Special Values and t-Motives  
July 2010-July 2013  
Project leader: L. Taelman.

NWO Veni-grant: Random spatial models at the critical point  
2011-2014  
Project leader: M. Heydenreich.

NWO Veni-project Multifractal analysis of Bernoulli convolutions through beta-expansions  
1/12/2011-1/12/2015  
Projectleader: C.C.C.J. Kalle.

NWO VIDI-premie: Formation of singularities in natural systems  
1/1/2007-1/1/2012  
Project leader: V. Rottschäfer.

NWO VICI Project Safe Statistics  
1/7/2010 - 1/7/2015  
Project Leader: P. Grünwald.

Participation in the national stochastics cluster STAR: Stochastics - Theoretical and Applied  
Research  
2009-2011  
Project leader: W.Th.F. den Hollander.

Random Polymers  
2010-2011  
Project leader: W.Th.F. den Hollander with V. Sidoravicius.

Variational characterization of copolymers near selective interfaces  
2010-2012  
Project leader: W.Th.F. den Hollander with V. Sidoravicius.

The Plant BioDynamics Laboratory (PBDL)  
Cooperation with the Institute for Biology Leiden (IBL)  
Project leader: L.A. Peletier.

Critical transitions and early-warning signals in spatial ecosystems  
Cooperation between A. Doelman, J. Rademacher (CWI) and M. Rietkerk (Environmental  
Sciences, Utrecht).

NWO programme 'ERGO' project: Quantifying introgression risks of transgenes with hazard  
rates, using carrot as a model species

2008-2012

Collaboration with CML and IBL (Leiden university)

Project leader: P. Haccou.

NWO programme “CLS” project: The evolution of stochastic heterogeneous networks as bet-hedging adaptations to fluctuating environments

2009-2011

Collaboration with CML and LIACS (Leiden university) and Groningen Biomolecular Sciences and Biotechnology Institute (University of Groningen)

Project leader: P. Haccou.

Development and application of statistical learning techniques for biomedical high-volume data sets. With Th. Hankemeier, LACDR (Leiden-Amsterdam Center for Drug Research) and Metabolomics Center, Leiden, J. van der Greef, TNO Quality of Life, Zeist, and D. Boomsma, Department of Biological Psychology, VU University Amsterdam. Sponsored by NDNS+ (NWO)

Project leader: J.J. Meulman.

Glucose modeling in patients with diabetes and critically-ill patients

joint with AMC (UvA), UMCG (RuG)

Project leader: E. Verbitskiy.

## Master Theses

J. J. van Wamelen

title: Bayesian Networks in Forensic DNA Analysis

advisor: Prof. dr. R.D. Gill

date: 18-01-2011

A.K.A. Kalsbeek

title: Continuous-time GARCH(1,1) processes

advisor: Dr. O. van Gaans

date: 21-01-2011

T. van Ommen

title: Combining predictions from linear models using the switch distribution

advisor: Prof. Dr. P. Grünwald

date: 10-03-2011

J. Rozendaal

title: Decomposing positive representations in  $L^p$ -spaces for Polish transformation groups

advisor: Dr. M.F.E. de Jeu

date: 26-04-2011

W. Ellens

title: Effective resistance

advisor: Dr. F.M. Spieksma

date: 29-04-2011

F.H.S. Offergelt

title: SAPHYRE Cooperation among competitors

advisor: Dr. F.M. Spieksma

date: 01-07-2011

S.D. Ramawadh

title: Symbolic dynamics of  $\beta$ -expansions in negative base

advisors: Dr. K. Dajani & Dr. M.F.E. de Jeu

date: 19-08-2011

S. Ding

title: Multi-class fork-join queues & the stochastic knapsack problem

advisor: Dr. F.M. Spieksma

date: 26-08-2011

F.W. van Rest

title: Advance appointment booking in chemotherapy

advisor: Dr. F.M. Spieksma

date: 26-08-2011

Y. Achnine

title: On the main conjecture on algebraic-geometric MDS codes  
advisor: Dr. R.S. de Jong  
date: 29-08-2011

L.C. Smit

title: Efficient Computations for a Class of Markov Chains and Related Applications  
advisor: Dr. F.M. Spijksma  
date: 30-08-2011

E.P.J.A. Siero

title: A H<sup>2</sup> well-posedness result for second order quasilinear parabolic PDE's on the real line with an application to a generalisation of the Gray-Scott model  
advisor: Dr. J. Rademacher  
date: 01-09-2011

R.H. Eggermont

title: Generalizations of a theorem by Brauer and Nesbitt  
advisor: Prof. Dr. H.W. Lenstra  
date: 26-09-2011

M. Fung

title: Lovász number of the Keller graphs  
advisor: Dr. D. Gijswijt & Dr. F.M. Spijksma  
date: 29-09-2011

S.L. van Lieshout

title:  $\Delta$ -normality versus functional- $\Delta$ -normality  
advisor: Dr. K.P. Hart  
date: 07-10-2011

M.M.D. Kampert

title: Statistical analysis in genome-wide association studies on genotype imputed family data: a research strategy to compare various toolsets  
advisor: Prof. Dr. J.J. Meulman  
date: 27-10-2011

J. Jin

title: Point counting formulae on universal elliptic curves  
advisor: Prof. Dr. S.J. Edixhoven  
date: 19-12-2011



## ALGANT Master Theses

The ALGANT MASTER is a two-year master programme in pure mathematics, with a strong emphasis on Algebra, Geometry and Number Theory. It has been offered since September 2005, and it involves the partner universities of Bordeaux (France), Leiden (Holland), Milano (Italy), Padova (Italy) and Paris-Sud (France). It is a European Erasmus Mundus Master and provides European Community grants to students from non-EC-countries.

Every student participating in the Algant Master studies one year each in TWO of the four partner universities. At the end of the second year, the student defends a master thesis and is awarded the Algant master diploma in an Algant Graduation Ceremony.

Davide Calliari

title: Reconstruction of Cubic Surfaces  
thesis advisors: Dr. R.S. de Jong, Dr. R.M. van Luijk  
date: 7-7-2011

Alfonso Cevallos Manzano

title: Reducing the Share Size in Robust Secret Sharing  
thesis advisors: Prof.dr. R.J.F. Cramer (CWI & UL), S. Fehr (CWI)  
date: 18-10-2011

Oliver Lenz,

title: The classifying space of a monoid  
thesis advisor: L. Taelman  
date: 20-12-2011

Weidong Zhuang

title: HASSE-WEIL zeta-function in a special case  
thesis advisor: Prof.dr. M. Harris  
date: 8-7-2011

## PhD Theses

- I. Stojković  
April 19, 2011  
Geometric approach to evolution problems in metric spaces  
Thesis advisor: prof.dr. S.M. Verduyn Lunel  
Leiden University
- H. Draisma  
May 10, 2011  
Analysis of Metabolomics data from twin studies  
Thesis advisor: Prof.dr.J.J.Meulman  
Leiden University
- A. Stolk  
June 15, 2011  
Discrete tomography for integer-valued functions  
Thesis advisor: prof.dr. S.J. Edixhoven  
Leiden University
- B.E. van Dalen  
September 20, 2011  
Discrete tomography with two directions  
Thesis advisor: prof.dr. R. Tijdeman, prof.dr. K.J. Batenburg  
Leiden University
- K. Vafayi  
December 13, 2011  
Duality, bosonic particle systems and some exactly solvable models of non-equilibrium  
Thesis advisor: prof.dr. F. Redig, prof.dr. F. den Hollander  
Leiden University
- E.T. Torreão Dassen  
December 20, 2011  
Basis reduction for layered lattices  
Thesis advisor: prof.dr. H.W. Lenstra  
Leiden University

# Publications

## 1. Number theory, Algebra and Geometry

### 1.1 Number Theory and Algebra

#### *Papers in Journals and Proceedings*

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Cascudo, I., Cramer, R., Xing, C., The Torsion-Limit for Algebraic Function Fields and its Application to Arithmetic Secret Sharing, *Proceedings of 31st Annual IACR CRYPTO (2011)*, Santa Barbara, Ca., USA, Springer Verlag, LNCS Vol. 6841, 685-705.

Dalen, B.E. van, Boundary length of reconstructions in discrete tomography, *SIAM Journal of Discrete Mathematics 25 (2011)*, 645-659.

Györy, K., Hajdu, L., Tijdeman, R., Irreducibility criteria of Schur-type and Polya-type, *Monatsh. Math. 163 (2011)*, 415-443.

L. Hajdu, R. Tijdeman, Representing integers as linear combinations of powers, *Publ. Math. Debrecen 79 (2011)*, 461-468.

Hitt, L., McGuire, G., Naehrig, M., Streng, T.C., A CM construction for curves of genus 2 with p-rank 1, *Journal of Number Theory 131 (5) (2011)*, 920-935.

Luijk, R.M. van, Wehler K3 surfaces with Picard number 3 and 4. Appendix to: "Orbits of points on certain K3 surfaces", by Arthur Baragar, in: *Journal of Number Theory 131 (3) (2011)*, 600-603.

Luijk, R.M. van, Cubic points on cubic curves and the Brauer-Manin obstruction on K3 surfaces in: *Acta Arithmetica 146 (2) (2011)*, 153-172.

Luijk, R. van, Macasieb, M., Petersen, K., On character varieties on two-bridge knot groups, *Proc. London Math. Soc. (2) 103 (2011)*, 473-507.

Luca, F., Najman, F., On the largest prime factor of  $x^2-1$ , *Math. Comp. 80 (2011)*, 429-435. Tables: odd solutions, even solutions.

Najman, F., Torsion of elliptic curves over cyclotomic quadratic fields, *Math. J. Okayama Univ. 53 (2011)*, 75-82.

Najman, F., Large strings of consecutive smooth integers, *Archiv der Mathematik 97 (4) (2011)*, 319-324.

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### 2.1 Analysis and Dynamical Systems

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MI 2011-07

F. Caravenna, F. den Hollander, N. Pétrelis

*Lectures on random polymers*

MI 2011-08

J.-H. Evertse, K. Györy

*Effective results for unit equations over finitely generated domains*

MI 2011-09

M.F.E. de Jeu, M.M.R. Wortel

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MI 2011-10

R.S. de Jong

*One half log discriminant and division polynomials*

MI 2011-11

E. Bolthausen, F. den Hollander, A.A. Opoku

*A copolymer near a selective interface: variational characterization of the free energy*

MI 2011-12

M.N. Katehakis, L.C. Smit

*On computing optimal  $(Q,r)$  replenishment policies under quantity discounts*

MI 2011-13  
R.J. Kooman  
*Diagonalization of matrix sequences*

MI 2011-14  
M.F.E. de Jeu, M.M.R. Wortel  
*Compact groups of positive operators on Banach lattices*

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MI 2011-17  
T. Alkurdi, S.C. Hille, O. van Gaans  
*A dynamical system perturbed by stochastic interventions*

## Workshops, Seminars a.o.

*This chapter summarizes the workshops, seminars and others (co-) organised by (researchers of) the Mathematical Institute. The following data are given:*

- Title
- City and date
- (Co-) organizers

CWI/LEIDEN Research on Information Security and Cryptology Seminar (RISC)  
scheduled regularly  
Organizer: R. Cramer

Abel in Holland, Leiden  
February 24  
Organized by the Norwegian Academie of Science and L. Taelman

Mathematics of Information-Theoretic Cryptography  
Institute for Pure and Applied Mathematics (IPAM), University of California at Los Angeles,  
USA  
February 28 - March 4  
Scientific organizers: R. Cramer, Y. Ishai (Technion, Israel), T. Kaufman (MIT, USA),  
C. Padro' (Singapore), C. Xing (Singapore)

CIRM, Arithmetic geometry and coding theory  
March 2011  
C. Salgado Guimaraes da Silva

Workshop "Control of Burning Plasmas"  
Lorentz Center Leiden, The Netherlands  
March 21-25  
Organizer: B. Koren et al.

Workshop Science meets Justice: Forensic Statistics at the Interface  
Lorentz Center  
April 26-29  
Organizers: R.D. Gill en J.F. Nijboer (Law, Leiden)

International Conference on Information-Theoretic Security (ICITS)  
KNAW Trippenhuis, Amsterdam, The Netherlands  
May 21-24  
General chairs: R. Cramer and K. Pietrzak

Workshop on "Cohen-Lenstra heuristics"  
AIM, Palo Alto, USA  
June 13-17  
H.W. Lenstra

Extreme-Value Statistics in Mathematics, Physics and Beyond  
Lorentz Center, Leiden, The Netherlands  
July 4-8

Organizers: Y. Fyodorov (Nottingham), F. den Hollander (Leiden), S. Nechaev (Paris)  
H. Rootzen (Gothenburg), S. Shlosman (Marseille)

Transgenes going wild?  
Lorentz Center Leiden, The Netherlands  
July 11-15

Organizers: B.-R. Lu (Shanghai, China), A. Snow (Columbus, USA), D. Bartsch (Berlin, Germany), P. Haccou (Leiden, The Netherlands), J. Rong (Leiden, The Netherlands), T. de Jong (Leiden, The Netherlands), G. De Snoo (Leiden, The Netherlands), H. Bergmans (Bilthoven, The Netherlands)

International Mathematical Olympiad  
Amsterdam, The Netherlands  
July 12-24  
Organizers: B. van Dalen, B. de Smit, R. van Luijk

Workshop on “Explicit methods in number theory”  
Mathematisches Forschungsinstitut Oberwolfach, Germany  
July 18-22  
Co-Organizer: H.W. Lenstra

BIRS workshop “Localized Multi-Dimensional Patterns in Dissipative Systems: Theory, Modeling, and Experiments”  
Banff, Canada  
July 24-29  
Organizers: A. Doelman (Leiden), B. Deconinck (Washington), E. Knobloch (Berkeley), Y. Nishiura (Sapporo), B. Sandstede (Brown) and M. Ward (UBC)

Summer School: Group Schemes, an introduction to the SGA 3 seminar of Demazure-Grothendieck  
Luminy, France  
2011/08/29-2011/09/09  
Organizers: S.J. Edixhoven, P. Gille, P. Polo, G. Prasad

Zesendertigste Woudschoten Conferentie van Werkgemeenschap Scientific Computing,  
Zeist, The Netherlands  
October 5-7  
Organizer: B. Koren et al

Editorial Board Meeting Journal of Computational Physics  
Amsterdam, The Netherlands  
October 31  
Organizer: B. Koren

The Traveling Science Man  
Symposium voor Jan Karel Lenstra, Amsterdam, The Netherlands  
November 4  
Organizer: B. Koren

Conference “Geometric Methods for Infinite-Dimensional Dynamical Systems”  
November 4-6, Brown University, Providence, USA

Organizers: A. Doelman, S. Balasuriya (Connecticut), T. Kaper (Boston), B. Sandstede (Brown University)

Criptografia

Bogota, Colombia

November 15-18

Organizers: R. van Luijk, A. Onshuus, M. Velasco

Semigroups

Leiden, regularly scheduled seminar in Spring 2011

Organizer: M. de Jeu

Choquet theory

Leiden and Delft, regularly scheduled seminar in Fall 2011

Organizers: M. de Jeu and B. de Pagter (Delft)

Edixhoven participates in the organisation of the Cryptography seminar of the university of Rennes and the CELAR (Centre Electronique de l'Armement), since December 2001.

See: [www.math.univ-rennes1.fr/crypto/seminaire.html](http://www.math.univ-rennes1.fr/crypto/seminaire.html)

Intercity number theory seminar

13 meetings in 2011 in Leiden, Delft, Amsterdam, Utrecht, Groningen, Leuven, Gent

Organizer: Bart de Smit

webpage: <http://www.math.leidenuniv.nl/~desmit/ic>

Algebra, geometry and number theory seminar

Leiden, regularly scheduled seminar (17 meetings in 2011)

Organizer: L. Taelman

Most Informal Probability Seminar

Weekly seminar of the chair of Probability, Leiden (17 meetings in 2011)

Organizer: M. Heydenreich

## Invited Lectures

### *1.1 Number theory and Algebra*

#### *R. Cramer*

- The Torsion Limit for Algebraic Function Fields and Its Applications in Cryptography and Complexity, Paris, France, January 20-21.
- The Arithmetic Codex, Los Angeles, Ca., USA, February 28-March 4.
- The Arithmetic Codex, Groningen, The Netherlands, March 23.
- The Arithmetic Codex, Tallinn, Estonia, May 15-19.
- The Arithmetic Codex, Lausanne, Switzerland, July 25-29.
- The Arithmetic Codex, Singapore, October 14.
- The Arithmetic Codex, Bonn, Germany, December 9.

#### *J.-H. Evertse*

- The Subspace Theorem and twisted heights, Tossa de Mar, Spain, April 26-30.
- Effective results on unit equations over finitely generated domains, Budapest, August 22-26.
- Multiply monogenic orders, Leiden, The Netherlands, December 9.

#### *H.W. Lenstra*

- Modeling finite fields, Leiden, The Netherlands, February 24.
- Escher and the Droste effect, The Hague, The Netherlands, March 9.
- Modeling finite fields, Berkeley, USA, March 31.
- Finite fields and field topologies, Stanford, USA, April 7.
- Escher and the Droste effect, Eindhoven, The Netherlands, May 9.
- Cohen-Lenstra heuristics, Palo Alto, USA, June 13.
- Discriminants of wild extensions, Warwick, USA, November 28.
- Escher and the Droste effect, Warwick, USA, November 28.
- Standard models for finite fields, Graz, Austria, December 6-16.
- Escher en het Droste effect, Amsterdam, The Netherlands, December 17.

#### *R. van Luijk*

- Computability of Picard numbers, Amsterdam, The Netherlands, March 11.
- K3 surfaces: rational points and Picard numbers, Paris, France, May 13.
- Lectures on algebra, factoring, elliptic curves and cryptography, Bogota, Colombia, November 14-18.
- Computing Picard groups of surfaces, Bogota, Colombia, November 21.

#### *C. Salgado Guimaraes de Silva*

- Comparing generic and special ranks of elliptic surfaces, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, January 11.
- Zariski density of rational points on del Pezzo surfaces of degree one, Marseille, France, March 15.
- Zariski density of rational points on del Pezzo surfaces of low degree, CUNY Number Theory Seminar, April 1.

#### *B. de Smit*

- Escher en het Droste effect (ASV Prometheus) Leiden, The Netherlands, January 12.
- Escher en het Droste effect (Symmetrie: de spiegel van de wetenschap), Amsterdam, The Netherlands, January 26.

- Escher and the Droste effect, Villige, Zwitserland, March 17.
- The valuation criterion for normal basis generators, Luminy, France, March 25.
- Identifying number fields with L-functions, Philadelphia, USA, April 1.
- Escher and the Droste effect (MAA distinguished lecture), Washington DC, USA, April 4.
- Escher and the Droste effect, Grinnell, USA, April 6.
- Escher en het Droste-effect, Leiden, The Netherlands, April 16.
- Characterizing number fields with abelian L-functions, Gent, Belgium, June 10.
- Mass formulas for groups and modules, Stanford, USA, June 16.
- Escher en het Droste-effect, Amsterdam, The Netherlands, October 10.
- Escher en het Droste-effect, Delft, The Netherlands, October 12.

*P. Stevenhagen*

- Character sums for primitive root densities, Palo Alto, USA, January 14.
- Efficient CM-algorithms in low genus, San Diego, USA, February 20.
- Escher en het Droste-effect, Velsen, The Netherlands, March 17.
- Constructing algebraic objects by analytic means, Enschede, The Netherlands, May 14.
- Elliptic curves for cryptography, Bremen, Germany, May 24.
- Character sums for primitive root densities, Bastia, France, June 21.
- Complex multiplication, 6 hours of lectures, Leuven, Belgium, July 14-16.
- Artin's conjecture and character sums, Oberwolfach, Germany, July 21.
- Radical extensions and primitive roots, Bordeaux, France, September 21.
- Cryptographic curves from complex analysis, Athens, Greece, October 27.
- Mathematics in the art of M.C. Escher, Bogotá, Colombia, November 11.
- Lectures on algebra, factoring, elliptic curves and cryptography, Bogotá, Colombia, November 14-18.
- Elliptic curves and cryptography, Bogotá, Colombia, November 21.

*R. Tijdeman*

- Irrationality of infinite sums of rational numbers, Nijmegen, The Netherlands, February 16.
- Irrationality of Cantor and factorial series, Gent, Belgium, March 7.
- Turán's power sum method, Budapest, Hungary, Augustus 22.
- Smooth numbers, Amsterdam, The Netherlands, December 2.

## 1.2 Arithmetic Geometry

### *S.J. Edixhoven*

- On Daniel Bertrand's counterexample to relative Manin-Mumford for semi-abelian schemes, Pisa, Italy, March 30.
- Le contre-exemple par Daniel Bertrand pour la conjecture de Manin-Mumford relatif semi-abelien, Strasbourg, France, May 6.
- Comment compter rapidement les vecteurs à coordonnées entières de longueur donnée?, Strasbourg, France, May 6.
- (Counter)example to semi-abelian relative Manin-Mumford, Luminy, France, May 19.
- Computation of modular 2-dimensional Galois representations, Lyon, France, June 6.
- Fast computation of the number of vectors of given length in a lattice, Bayreuth, Germany, July 14.
- Relative Manin-Mumford in the semi-abelian case, Bayreuth, Germany, July 15.
- Snelle algoritmen in de getaltheorie, Amsterdam, The Netherlands, August 26.
- Gauss's theorem on sums of three squares, via group schemes, Leiden, The Netherlands, October 24.
- Le théorème de Gauss sur les sommes de 3 carrés en termes de schémas en groupes, Bordeaux, France, November 15.
- Modular curves and Galois representations: computational aspects, 6 lectures, Beijing, China, November 27-December 10.

### *R.S. de Jong*

- Normal functions and the height of Ceresa cycles, Regensburg, Germany, December 1.
- Green's functions for the Arakelov metric on hyperelliptic Riemann surfaces, I, II, Delmenhorst, Germany, September 15 and 16.
- On a line bundle on  $M_{\{g,1\}}$  associated to Ceresa's cycle, Park City, USA, July 14.
- On a formula of Zhang on the height of Gross-Schoen cycles, Tossa de Mar, Spain, April 28.

### *L.D.J. Taelman*

- Cyclotomic function fields and cohomology of the Carlitz module, Stellenbosch, South Africa, January 27.
- Une formule de nombres de classes analytique en caractéristique positive, Grenoble, France, March 16.
- Believing in the Kummer-Vandiver conjecture, Amsterdam, The Netherlands, May 4.
- Special values in characteristic  $p$ , Berlin, Germany, May 10.
- Cohomology of the Carlitz module, London, UK, June 14.
- The Carlitz module and a function field Herbrand-Ribet Theorem, Caen, France, June 20.
- A Herbrand-Ribet Theorem for function fields, Oberwolfach, Germany, July 20.
- An analytic class number formula in positive characteristic, Leuven, Belgium, September 5.
- Un théorème à la Herbrand-Ribet en caractéristique  $p$ , Lille, France, October 6.
- Herbrand-Ribet in positive characteristic, Zürich, Switzerland, October 21.
- Herbrand-Ribet in positive characteristic, Essen, Germany, October 27.
- Lower bounds for the gonality of curves with many automorphisms, Madrid, Spain, November 10.
- Un théorème à la Herbrand-Ribet en caractéristique  $p$ , Lyon, France, November 17.
- Herbrand-Ribet over function fields, Leuven, Belgium, November 30.



## 2.1 Analysis and Dynamical Systems

### *G. van Dijk*

- Course on “Very elementary introduction to representation theory”, Fukuoka, Japan, January 16-February 15.
- Gelfand pairs, old and new, Fukuoka, Japan, February 1.
- Gelfand pairs, old and new, Kagoshima, Japan, February 7.

### *A. Doelman*

- An explicit theory for pulses in two-component, singularly perturbed reaction-diffusion equations, Kyoto, Japan, Plenary presentation conference “Far-From-Equilibrium Dynamics”, January 4-8.
- The mathematics of desertification: searching for early warning signals, Eindhoven, The Netherlands, April 14.
- The mathematics of desertification: searching for early warning signals, Enschede, The Netherlands, May 9.
- The Pearling Instability in Polymer Electrolyte Solutions, Snowbird, USA, May 23.
- The Dynamics of Phytoplankton-Nutrient Interactions, Columbus Ohio, USA, June 24.
- Emergence and bifurcations of localized patterns in a coupled phytoplankton- nutrients model, Columbus Ohio, USA, June 27.
- The mathematics of desertification: searching for early warning signals, Rotterdam, The Netherlands, September 16.
- The mathematics of desertification: searching for early warning signals, Princeton, USA, November 7.
- The mathematics of desertification: searching for early warning signals, East Lansing, USA, November 11.
- An explicit theory for pulses in two-component, singularly perturbed reaction-diffusion equations, San Diego, USA, November 15.

### *P. Haccou*

- Stochastic models for population dynamics, Eindhoven, March 14-18.

### *M.F.E. de Jeu*

- Group representations in Banach lattices, Tianjin, China, June 24.

### *B. Koren*

- Het zonnetjes in huis, Leiden, The Netherlands, February 23
- A physical model and numerical method for compressible two-fluid flow, Leiden, The Netherlands, February 23.

### *L.A. Peletier*

- Pharmacokinetics, or “How a drug reaches its target”, Split, Croatia, June 14.
- Plasma protein binding and CNS receptor occupancy, Sandwich, UK, August 24.

### *V. Rottschäfer*

- Asymptotic analysis of a specific type of multi-bump blowup solutions of the Ginzburg-Landau Equation, Snowbird, Utah, USA, May 22-26.
- Asymptotic analysis of a new type of multi-bump, blowup solutions of the Ginzburg Landau equation, Bath, UK, November 15.

## 2.2 Probability Theory

### *M. Heydenreich*

- A survey of high-dimensional percolations, Barbados, March 9.
- On critical behaviour of random spatial models, Berlin, Germany, October 24.

### *W. Th.F. den Hollander*

- Master course on Random Polymers, Bonn, Germany, Winter and Spring of 2011.
- Random walk in dynamic random environment, Bonn, Germany, January 20.
- The parabolic Anderson model in a dynamic random environment, Zürich, Switzerland, April 20.
- Disordered catalytic diffusion, Bonn, Germany, July 13.
- Disordered catalytic diffusion, Bielefeld, Germany, August 4.
- Disordered catalytic diffusion, Delft, The Netherlands, September 2.
- How universal is the Arrhenius law?, Utrecht, The Netherlands, October 12.
- Disordered catalytic diffusion, Bristol, United Kingdom, December 9.

### *F.M. Spijksma*

- A new device for analyzing Markov (Decision) Chains: the Smoothed Rate Truncation Principle, Newark, USA, November 18.

### *2.3 Mathematical and Applied Statistics*

#### *R.D. Gill*

- “Lessons from Lucia”, The Hague, The Netherlands, January 18.
- “Lessons from Lucia”, Amsterdam, The Netherlands, January 19.
- “Lessons from Lucia”, The Hague, The Netherlands, January 23.
- “Lessons from Lucia”, Seattle, USA, July 21.

#### *P.D. Grünwald*

- The Catch-Up Phenomenon in Model Selection and Model Averaging, Vienna, Austria, March 21.
- Updating Probabilities & Characterizing CAR: when conditioning succeeds and when it fails, Eindhoven, The Netherlands, May 9.
- Over het bedrijven van Statistiek in Kansloze Situaties, Zwolle, The Netherlands, May 18.
- The Catch-Up Phenomenon in Model Selection and Model Averaging, Amsterdam, The Netherlands, September 20.
- Kansloze Situaties: van Willem Ruis tot Lucia de B, The Hague, The Netherlands, September 26.
- Safe Testing, Amsterdam, The Netherlands, September 30.
- Catching Up Faster by Switching Sooner, London, UK, October 16.
- Is bewijsrecht kansloos? Leiden, The Netherlands, November 18.
- Your Honor, this was not a coincidence! About the use of Statistics in the case of Lucia de Berk, Groningen, The Netherlands, November 29.
- We need a BIT more GUTS (=Grand Unified Theory of Statistics), Granada, Spain, December 16.

#### *J.J. Meulman*

- Joint prediction of multiple outcomes using regularized regression with optimal scaling, Leiden, The Netherlands, December 8.

#### *W.R. van Zwet*

- Remembering Erich Lehmann, Houston, Texas, USA, May 11.
- Special cases, Bielefeld, Germany, August 6.
- The bootstrap: A dynamic future?, Leiden, The Netherlands, October 14.

### *3 Mathematics, Computer Science and Society*

*F.A.J. Birrer*

- Knowledge inequalities and elites: key issues for democracy, Columbia (SC, USA), April 1.

## Memberships of Editorial Boards

R.J.F. Cramer

- Journal of Cryptology, Springer Verlag.
- Journal of Mathematical Cryptology, Walter de Gruyter Publ.
- IEEE Transactions on Information Theory.
- Springer Verlag Book Series on Cryptology and Information Security (Advisory Board).

G. van Dijk

- Vestnik Tambov University

A. Doelman

- Physica D (Nonlinear Phenomena) (Editor-in-Chief)
- Journal of Computational Science

S.J. Edixhoven

- Compositio Mathematica (managing editor)
- Journal of Number Theory
- Expositiones Mathematicae
- Indagationes Mathematicae

J.-H. Evertse

- Compositio Mathematica

R.D. Gill

- Cambridge University Press Series in Statistical and Probabilistic Mathematics
- Annals of Statistics
- Methods of Mathematical Statistics
- Probability and Mathematical Statistics
- Electronic Journal of Statistics
- International Statistical Review

P. Haccou

- Environmental Modeling and Assessment

W.Th.F. den Hollander

- Markov Processes and Related Fields
- Indagationes Mathematicae

B. Koren

- Journal of Computational Physics
- Mathematics and Computers in Simulation

H.W. Lenstra

- Algebra and Number Theory
- Foundations of Computational Mathematics
- Glasgow Mathematical Journal
- Journal of the European Mathematical Society

J.J. Meulman

- Journal of Classification

- British Journal of Mathematical and Statistical Psychology
- Springer Series *Studies in classification, data analysis, and knowledge organization*

J.P. Murre

- *Indagationes Mathematicae*

L.A. Peletier

- *Advances in Differential Equations*
- *Differential and Integral Equations*
- *Journal of the European Mathematical Society*
- *Progress in Nonlinear Differential Equations and their Applications*
- *Indagationes Mathematicae*

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- *Journal of Computational and Applied Mathematics*
- *International Journal of Engineering*
- *Applicationes Mathematicae*

P. Steinhagen

- *Contributions to Discrete Mathematics*

L.D.J. Taelman

- *Journal of Number Theory.*

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- *Journal of Mathematics-for-Industry, Japan*

S.M. Verduyn Lunel

- *Archiv der Mathematik*
- *Functional Differential Equations*
- *Integral Equations and Operator Theory*
- *Operator Theory Advances and Applications (series of monographs, Birkhäuser)*

## Honors

P. Bruin

- Stieltjes Prize for the best PhD thesis in mathematics in The Netherlands of the year 2010.

R.J.F. Cramer:

- Invited keynote speaker, 30th Annual IACR EUROCRYPT, 2011, Tallin, Estonia.  
Subject: The Arithmetic Codex.

R.D. Gill

- “Distinguished Lorentz Fellow” with the Netherlands Institute of Advanced Studies in the Humanities and Social Sciences (NIAS), Wassenaar, The Netherlands.

C. Salgado Guimaraes de Silva

- KNAW- Hendrik Casimir prize 2011.

## Foreign Visitors

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*name(s) of the host(s)*

### 1. Number theory, Algebra and Geometry

#### *1.1 Number theory and Algebra*

C. Xing, Singapore, R.J.F. Cramer  
A. Bérczes, Debrecen, Hungary, J.-H. Evertse.  
K. Györy, Debrecen, Hungary, J.-H. Evertse.  
P. Autissier, Bordeaux, France, J.-H. Evertse and B. de Smit  
D. Testa, Oxford, UK, R. van Luijk  
M. Bright, Warwick, UK, R. van Luijk  
F. Andreatta, Padova, Italy, B. de Smit  
L. Hajdu, Debrecen, Hungary. R. Tijdeman.  
A. Alpers, München, Germany, R. Tijdeman

#### *1.2 Arithmetic Geometry*

C. Peters, Grenoble, France, S.J. Edixhoven and J.P. Murre  
A. Telemann, Marseille, France, M. Lübke  
B. Totaro, Cambridge, UK, S.J. Edixhoven  
A. Rogue and C. Rouffort, Rennes, France, S.J. Edixhoven and P. Stevenhagen  
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J. Sijbers, Antwerpen, Belgium, S.J. Edixhoven and K.J. Batenburg  
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M. Saito, Kyoto, Japan, J.P. Murre  
E. Esteves, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, L. Taelman and C. Salgado  
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### 2. Analysis and Stochastics

#### *2.1. Analysis and Dynamical Systems*

G. Hayrapetyan, East Lansing, USA, A. Doelman  
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C. Budd, University of Bath, UK, V. Rottschäfer  
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Z. Horvath, Gyor, Hungary, M.N. Spijker

*2.2. Probability Theory*

N. Gaudillière, Marseille, France, F.den Hollander

N. Pétrélis, Nantes, France, F.den Hollander

E. Scoppola, Rome, Italy, F.den Hollander

K. Schmidt, Vienna, Austria, E. Verbitskiy

*2.3. Mathematical and Applied Statistics*

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M. Vichi, Rome, Italy, J.J. Meulman

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R. Siciliano, Naples, Italy, J.J. Meulman

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