

## PERSONAL INFORMATION

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## EMPLOYMENT

- **Mathematics Institute, University of Warwick**
  - Associate Professor (Reader): *since 2022* (current position)
  - Associate Professor (Senior Lecturer): *2019–2022*
  - Assistant Professor (Lecturer): *2017–2019*
- **Courant Institute of Mathematical Sciences, New York**—Courant Instructor  
*Feb 2015 – Aug 2017*
- **Weizmann Institute of Science, Israel**—Dean of Faculty Research Fellow  
*March 2013 – Jan 2015*
- **Ruhr University Bochum, Germany**—PhD student/Research Assistant  
*October 2008 – February 2013*

## ACADEMIC BACKGROUND

- **PhD**—Ruhr-University Bochum, Germany  
*September 2012*
  - Topic: Lagrangian analysis of finite-time Euler singularities
- **Diploma**—Ruhr-University Bochum, Germany  
*September 2008*
  - Topic: Existence, regularity and uniqueness of a modified Navier-Stokes equation and relation to turbulence models

## FUNDING AND RESOURCES

- **DMS-EP SRC**—EP/V013319/1  
*PI, grant total GBP 120,000 (2020)*
- **EP SRC**—EP/T011866/1  
*PI, grant total GBP 225,000 (2019)*
- **Cathleen Morawetz Fellowship Award**—Courant Institute, New York  
*For best scientific achievement for postdocs at the Institute (Oct 2016)*
- **Faculty Dean Fellowship**—Weizmann Institute of Science, Israel  
*Funding by the Dean's Fellowship (2013)*

## PUBLICATIONS

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- [23] “*Dynamical Landscape and Multistability of a Climate Model*”,  
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- [21] “*Instantons for rare events in heavy-tailed distributions*”,  
M. Alqahtani, and T. Grafke, J. Phys. A: Math. Theor. **54** (175001), 2021, doi:10.1088/1751-8121/abe67b
- [20] “*Approximate Optimal Controls via Instanton Expansion for Low Temperature Free Energy Computation*”,  
G. Ferré and T. Grafke, SIAM Multiscale Model. Simul. **19** (3) 1310, 2021, doi:
- [19] “*Experimental Evidence of Hydrodynamic Instantons: The Universal Route to Rogue Waves*”,  
G. Dematteis, T. Grafke, M. Onorato, E. Vanden-Eijnden, Phys. Rev. X **9** 041057, 2019, doi:10.1103/PhysRevX.9.041057
- [18] “*Extreme Event Quantification in Dynamical Systems with Random Components*”,  
G. Dematteis, T. Grafke, E. Vanden-Eijnden, J. Uncertainty Quantification **7** (3) 1029–1059, 2019, doi:10.1137/18M1211003
- [17] “*Numerical computation of rare events via large deviation theory*”,  
T. Grafke, E. Vanden-Eijnden, Chaos **29** (063118), 2019, doi:10.1063/1.5084025
- [16] “*String Method for Generalized Gradient Flows: Computation of Rare Events in Reversible Stochastic Processes*”,  
T. Grafke, J. Stat. Mech **2019** 4, (043206), 2019, doi:10.1088/1742-5468/ab11db

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- [9] “*The instanton method and its numerical implementation in fluid mechanics*”,  
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## PREPRINTS AND OTHER PUBLICATIONS

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T. Schorlepp, S. Tong, T. Grafke, and G. Stadler, ArXiv:2303.11919, 2023
- [B] “*Metadynamics for transition paths in irreversible dynamics*”,  
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- [C] “*A new stochastic framework for ship capsizing*”,  
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- [D] “*Numerics and analysis of Cahn-Hilliard critical points*”,  
T. Grafke, S. Scholtes, A. Wagner, M. Westdickenberg, ArXiv:2104.03689, 2021
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T. Grafke, R. Grauer, T. Schaefer, *European Physics News* **43**, 2013
- [G] “*Finite-time Euler singularities: A Lagrangian perspective*”,  
T. Grafke, PhD thesis, 2012
- [H] “*Singularities and Turbulence in Hydrodynamical Models*”,  
T. Grafke, Diploma thesis, 2008

## ADMINISTRATIVE RESPONSIBILITIES

- **Research Councils** — Member of the EPSRC Mathematics Early Career Forum
- **Referee service** — Nature Comm., Math. Reviews, Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci., Proc. Royal Soc. A, Phys. Rev. Lett., Phys. Rev. Research, J. Comp. Phys., Euro. Geophys. Union, Amer. Geophys. Union, Europ. Phys. Lett., J. Stat. Phys., Chaos, J. Nonlinear Sci., J. Uncertainty Quantification, Commun. Pure Appl. Math., J. Phys. A, Nonlinearity, Phys. Rev. E, Multiscale Model. Simul., J. Sci. Comput., Physica A
- **Memberships** — German Physical Society (DPG), Society for Industrial and Applied Mathematics (SIAM), American Geophysical Union (AGU), European Geophysical Union (EGU)

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

• **University teaching:**

- Lecturer, “Rare Events” (2022)
- Lecturer, MMath MSc Projects (2019–2021)
- Lecturer, “Mathematics by Computer” (2018–2019)
- Lecturer, “Extreme Events” (2018)
- Lecturer, “Scientific Computing” (2017–2018)
- Lecturer, “Calculus 3” (2016–2017), evaluated at (4.5/5)
- Instructor, “General Relativity” (2012)
- Instructor, “Advanced Computational Methods” (2011)
- Instructor, “Quantum Mechanics” (2010)

• **Student (co-)supervision:**

- PhD Student Jiayao Shao (Ship Capsize via Dynamical Systems and Large Deviations, since 2022)
- PhD Student Nayef Shkeir (Stochastic Averaging for Atmospheric Flow, since 2019)
- PhD Student Mnerh Alqahtani (Extreme events in Passive Scalar Turbulence, 2017-2022)
- PhD Student Giovanni DeMattis (Numerical computation of extreme ocean surface elevation events/rogue waves, 2016–2019)
- PhD Student Stephan Schindel (Instanton calculus for the computation of shocks in Burgers turbulence, 2013–2016)
- Master Student Patrick Täubner (Instanton approach to transverse and longitudinal structure functions, 2016)
- Master Student Jan Friedrich (Higher order structure functions in MHD, 2012)
- Master Student Thomas Trost (Multifluid Maxwell MHD, reconnection, 2011–2012)
- Bachelor Student Nicole Raatz (Anisotropic diffusion, 2011)
- Bachelor Student Thomas Trost (Numerical simulation of grid generated turbulence, 2011)