

CURRICULUM VITAE

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PERSONAL INFORMATION

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RESEARCH POSITIONS

DEC. 2021 - PRESENT Assistant Professor, QTY group - Télécom Paris, France.
DEC. 2019 - DEC. 2021 Postdoctoral researcher, ENS de Lyon, France.
Supervisor: Prof. Omar Fawzi.
MAY 2019 - NOV. 2019 Research Associate in Quantum Information Theory, University of York, UK.
Supervisor: Dr. Roger Colbeck.

EDUCATION

OCT. 2015 - MAY 2019 PhD in MATHEMATICS, University of York, UK.
Thesis title: On constructions of quantum-secure device-independent randomness expansion protocols.
Supervisor: Dr. Roger Colbeck.
OCT. 2011 - JULY 2015 MMath degree in MATHEMATICS, University of York, UK.
Thesis title: Negative energy densities in quantum field theory
Supervisor: Prof. Christopher Fewster.
Award: First Class
SEP. 2009 - AUG. 2011 A-Levels, Sunderland College, UK.
Subjects: Mathematics, Further Mathematics, Biology.
Grades: A*, A, A.

PUBLICATIONS AND PREPRINTS

- F. Mazzoncini, B. Bauer, P. Brown, R. Alléaume, HYBRID QUANTUM CRYPTOGRAPHY FROM COMMUNICATION COMPLEXITY. (2023) ([arXiv](#))
- L. Woollerton, P. Brown, R. Colbeck, DEVICE-INDEPENDENT QUANTUM KEY DISTRIBUTION WITH ARBITRARILY SMALL NONLOCALITY. (2023) ([arXiv](#))
- L. Woollerton, P. Brown, R. Colbeck, EXPANDING BIPARTITE BELL INEQUALITIES FOR MAXIMUM MULTI-PARTITE RANDOMNESS. (2023) ([arXiv](#))
- A. Tavakoli, A. Pozas-Kerstjens, P. Brown, M. Araújo, SEMIDEFINITE PROGRAMMING RELAXATIONS FOR QUANTUM CORRELATIONS. (2023) ([arXiv](#))
- L. Woollerton, P. Brown, R. Colbeck, TIGHT ANALYTICAL BOUND ON THE TRADE-OFF BETWEEN DEVICE-INDEPENDENT RANDOMNESS AND NONLOCALITY. *Physical Review Letters* 129.15 (2022) ([Journal](#) / [arXiv](#))
- P. Brown, H. Fawzi and O. Fawzi, DEVICE-INDEPENDENT LOWER BOUNDS ON THE CONDITIONAL VON NEUMANN ENTROPY. (2021) ([arXiv](#))
- W-Z. Liu, M-H. Li, S. Ragy, S-R. Zhao, B. Bai, Y. Liu, P. Brown, J. Zhang, R. Colbeck, J. Fan,

- Q. Zhang and J-W. Pan, DEVICE-INDEPENDENT RANDOMNESS EXPANSION AGAINST QUANTUM SIDE INFORMATION. *Nature Physics* 17.4 (2021) ([Journal](#) / [arXiv](#))
- A. Denys, P. Brown and A. Leverrier, EXPLICIT ASYMPTOTIC SECRET KEY RATE OF CONTINUOUS-VARIABLE QUANTUM KEY DISTRIBUTION WITH AN ARBITRARY MODULATION. *Quantum* 5, 540 (2021) ([Journal](#) / [arXiv](#))
 - P. Brown, H. Fawzi and O. Fawzi, COMPUTING CONDITIONAL ENTROPIES FOR QUANTUM CORRELATIONS. *Nature communications* 12.1 (2021) ([Journal](#) / [arXiv](#))
 - P.J. Brown and R. Colbeck, ARBITRARILY MANY INDEPENDENT OBSERVERS CAN SHARE THE NON-LOCALITY OF A SINGLE MAXIMALLY ENTANGLED QUBIT PAIR. *Physical Review Letters* 125.9 (2020) ([Journal](#) / [arXiv](#))
 - P.J. Brown, S. Ragy and R. Colbeck, A FRAMEWORK FOR QUANTUM-SECURE DEVICE-INDEPENDENT RANDOMNESS EXPANSION. *IEEE Transactions on Information Theory*, 66.5 (2020) ([Journal](#) / [arXiv](#))
 - P.J. Brown, C.J. Fewster and EA. Kontou, CLASSICAL AND QUANTUM STRONG ENERGY INEQUALITIES AND THE HAWKING SINGULARITY THEOREM. To appear in 15th Marcel Grossmann conference proceedings (2019). ([arXiv](#))
 - P.J. Brown, C.J. Fewster and EA. Kontou, A SINGULARITY THEOREM FOR EINSTEIN-KLEIN-GORDON THEORY. *Gen Relativ Gravit* (2018) 50: 121. ([Journal](#) / [arXiv](#))

TALKS AND SEMINARS

INVITED TALKS AND SEMINARS:

- JAN. 2024 – [QSI School on quantum cryptography](#) (invited lecture) – Padova
Title: Semidefinite programming for quantum communication
- DEC. 2023 – [Workshop on Gaussian and non-Gaussian Quantum Correlations \(GnGQC\) 2023](#) – Copenhagen
Title: On the finite-size security of QKD
- SEP. 2023 – [Workshop on security proofs – IQC Waterloo](#)
Title: Computing quantities device-independently / On a new finite-size security proof
- MAY. 2023 – [QCOMMs summer school](#) (invited lecture) – University of Padova
Title: Device-independent cryptography
- SEP. 2022 – [Workshop on security proofs – IQC Waterloo](#)
Title: Variational bounds on the von Neumann entropy
- JUN. 2022 – [LIP6 QI internal seminar](#) – Sorbonne University
Title: Variational bounds on the von Neumann entropy
- MAY. 2022 – [QI internal seminar](#) – Quandela
Title: Variational bounds on the von Neumann entropy
- AUG. 2021 – [eDICT workshop on device-independent cryptography](#) – ETH Zurich
Title: Computing rates of device-independent protocols
- OCT. 2020 – [Düsseldorf Quantum Info online Seminars](#) – Heinrich Heine University Düsseldorf
Title: Computing rates of device-independent protocols

CONTRIBUTED TALKS:

- NOV. 2023 – Quantum certification conference (QUACC) – Center for Theoretical physics, Warsaw
Title: On the finite-size security of QKD
- APR. 2022 – 2SQRT2 TSIRELSON MEMORIAL WORKSHOP – IQOQI Vienna, Austria
Title: Variational bounds on the relative entropy and their applications
- MAR. 2022 – QIP 2022 – Caltech, USA
Title: Variational bounds on the relative entropy and their applications
- SEP. 2021 – BEYOND IID 9 (Online)
Title: Device-independent lower bounds on the conditional von Neumann entropy
- AUG. 2021 – QCRYPT 2021 (Online)
Title: Device-independent lower bounds on the conditional von Neumann entropy
- FEB. 2021 – QUANTUM INFORMATION DAYS 2020 (Online)
Title: An unbounded number of independent observers can share the nonlocality of one half of a maximally entangled qubit pair
- JAN. 2021 – QIP 2021 (Online / Plenary talk)
Title: New quantum Rényi divergences and their application to device-independent cryptography and quantum Shannon theory
- NOV. 2020 – Q-TURN 2020 (Online)
Title: An unbounded number of independent observers can share the nonlocality of a single maximally entangled qubit pair
- JAN. 2019 – Northern Quantum Meeting IV – University of Leeds, UK
Title: A framework for device-independent randomness expansion
- NOV. 2018 – Q-TURN – Universidade Federal de Santa Catarina, Brazil
Title: A framework for device-independent randomness expansion
- JULY 2018 – QUANTUM ROUNDTABLE – University of Nottingham, UK
Title: A framework for device-independent randomness expansion

POSTER PRESENTATIONS:

- JUN. 2019 – SWISSMAP WORKSHOP - MATHEMATICAL PHYSICS MEETS QUANTUM INFORMATION
Title: A framework for device-independent randomness expansion
- AUG. 2018 – QCRYPT 2018 – University of Science and Technology of China
Title: A framework for device-independent randomness expansion
- AUG. 2018 – QuICC 2018 – University of York, UK
Title: A framework for device-independent randomness expansion
- APR. 2018 – QCALL Secure Quantum Communications school – Universidad de Vigo, Spain
Title: A framework for device-independent randomness expansion

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

LECTURE COURSES

- 2024 – INTRODUCTION TO QUANTUM INFORMATION AND QUANTUM COMPUTING
Level: M1.
- 2023 – QUANTUM INFORMATION AND QUANTUM CRYPTOGRAPHY
Level: M2. Total hours: 24.
- OPTIMIZATION AND NUMERICAL ANALYSIS
Level: M1. Total hours: 18.
- PAF – PROGRAMMING A REAL QUANTUM COMPUTER
Level: L3. Total hours: 4.
- INTRODUCTION TO QUANTUM INFORMATION AND QUANTUM COMPUTING
Level: M1. Total hours: 9.
- 2022 – QUANTUM INFORMATION AND QUANTUM CRYPTOGRAPHY
Level: M2. Total hours: 18.
- OPTIMIZATION AND NUMERICAL ANALYSIS
Level: M1. Total hours: 18.
- PAF – PROGRAMMING A REAL QUANTUM COMPUTER
Level: L3. Total hours: 6.
- INTRODUCTION TO QUANTUM INFORMATION AND QUANTUM COMPUTING
Level: M1. Total hours: 9.

SEMINARS

- 2019 – ALGEBRA undergraduate seminars (16 hours).
- CALCULUS undergraduate seminars (16 hours).
- 2018 – ALGEBRA undergraduate seminars (16 hours).
- APPLIED PROBABILITY undergraduate seminars (12 hours).
- CALCULUS undergraduate seminars - (16 hours).
- 2017 – APPLIED PROBABILITY undergraduate seminars (8 hours).
- GROUPS, RINGS AND FIELDS undergraduate seminars (8 hours).
- 2016 – CRYPTOGRAPHY undergraduate seminars (16 hours).

STUDENT SUPERVISION

PhD students

- SEP. 2023 - ONGOING Tristan Le Roy-Deloison (cosupervised with Omar Fawzi)
Title: Device-independent quantum key distribution
- NOV. 2022 - ONGOING Tristan Nemoz (cosupervised with Romain Alléaume)
Title: Computational models in quantum cryptography

Master students

- SEP. 2023 - ONGOING Ali Almasi (Project)
Title: Positive but not completely positive maps
- SEP. 2023 - JAN 2024 Kriss Lady Stephanie Gutierrez Anco (Project)
Title: Intrinsic randomness with Rényi entropies
- SEP. 2023 - JAN 2024 Rola Saidi (Project)
Title: Analysis of cross-talk in quantum computers
- SEP. 2022 - JAN 2023 Gabriel Silva Vieira de Melo (Project)
Title: QSVT for quantum search
- SEP. 2022 - JAN 2023 Jules Dany (Project)
Title: Blind randomness
- APR. 2021 - JULY 2021 Mohamed Bassiouny (Internship)
Title: Feasibility of DIQKD
- APR. 2020 - AUG. 2020 Uta Meyer (Internship / co-supervised with Omar Fawzi)
Title: A classical entropy accumulation theorem

Bachelor students

JAN. 2023 - MAR. 2023 Evdokia Gneusheva (Internship)
Title: Entanglement vs secret key

ACADEMIC CITIZENSHIP

OUTREACH

- 2019 – QUANTUM TECHNOLOGIES AMBASSADOR - conduct physics classes in local schools promoting the study of quantum theory. (sponsored by the UK Quantum Communications Hub)
- ROYAL INSTITUTE'S MASTERCLASS VOLUNTEER - helped with the running of sessions promoting mathematics to secondary school students.
- 2018 – STEM FAIR VOLUNTEER – Ran stall discussing cryptography at Sunderland College STEM event.
- 2017 – POSTGRADUATE SEMINAR ORGANISER – Organised and ran research seminars for postgraduate students within the mathematics department.

REVIEWS

- Refereed papers for journals: NPJ Quantum Information; Physical Review Letters; Physical Review A; Physical Review Research; Quantum.
- Refereed submissions for conferences: QCRYPT; QIP

FUNDING AND AWARDS

- 2023 – Quantum Secure Networks Partnership (QSNP)
(Shared with Romain Alléuame) Total: 400k euros
- 2020 – Anand Ramachandran Memorial Prize for the best PhD thesis in the Department of Mathematics.
- 2017 – KM Stott Memorial Prize for excellence in PhD research, University of York.
- 2016 – Departmental postgraduate teaching prize.
- 2015 – WW Smith Fund - PhD (3 years).
- PB Kennedy Prize for outstanding performance in Mathematics Masters degree, University of York.

COMPUTING SKILLS

PROFICIENT: Python, Mathematica
ADEQUATE: OS - Linux/Windows, HPC - SGE/SLURM, Matlab, C++, Julia