# Natalie Behague

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#### **Education**

PhD, Queen Mary University of London, UK

Sep 2016 – Aug 2020

Supervisor: Robert Johnson

Title: Topics in Extremal and Probabilistic Combinatorics

Part IA: 2.1, Part IB: 1, Part II: 2.1, Part III: Distinction

**BA with MMath**, Trinity College, University of Cambridge, UK

Oct 2012 – Jun 2016

### **Employment**

University of Warwick, UK

Nov 2023 - Dec 2025

Postdoctoral Research Fellow, working with Richard Montgomery

University of Victoria, Canada

Jan 2022 – Oct 2023

PIMS Postdoctoral Fellow, working with Natasha Morrison and Jonathan Noel

Toronto Metropolitan University (formerly Ryerson), Canada

Oct 2020 - Oct 2021

Postdoctoral Research Fellow, Graphs at Ryerson Research Group

#### **Publications**

#### **Published and Accepted**

- [1] **2023** (with Anthony Bonato, Melissa A. Huggan, Rehan Malik, and Trent G. Marbach). "The iterated local transitivity model for hypergraphs". In: *Discrete Appl. Math.* 337, pp. 106–119.
- [2] **2023** (with Tom Johnston, Shoham Letzter, Natasha Morrison, and Shannon Ogden). "The rainbow saturation number is linear". In: *SIAM J. Discrete Math.* (accepted).
- [3] **2022** (with Robert Johnson). "Synchronizing times for k-sets in automata". In: *Electron. J. Combin.* 29.3, P3.41.
- [4] **2022** (with Anthony Bonato, Melissa A. Huggan, Trent G. Marbach, and Brittany Pittman). "The localization capture time of a graph". In: *Theoretical Computer Science* 911, pp. 80–91.
- [5] **2022** (with Trent G Marbach and Paweł Prałat). "Tight Bounds on Probabilistic Zero Forcing on Hypercubes and Grids". In: *Electron. J. Combin.* 29.1, P1.3.
- [6] **2019**. "Semi-perfect 1-factorizations of the hypercube". In: *Discrete Mathematics* 342.6, pp. 1696–1702.
- [7] 2018. "Hypergraph saturation irregularities". In: Electron. J. Combin. 25.2, P2.11.

#### **Submitted**

- [8] 2023 (with Joseph Hyde, Natasha Morrison, Jonathan A. Noel, and Ashna Wright). "An Approximate Counting Version of the Multidimensional Szemerédi Theorem". URL: arXiv:2311. 13709.
- [9] **2023** (with Natasha Morrison and Jonathan A. Noel). "Common pairs of graphs". URL: arXiv: 2208.02045.
- [10] **2023** (with Akina Kuperus, Natasha Morrison, and Ashna Wright). "Improved bounds for cross-Sperner systems". URL: arXiv:2302.02516.
- [11] **2023** (with Natasha Morrison and Jonathan A. Noel). "Off-Diagonal Commonality of Graphs via Entropy". URL: arXiv:2307.03788.
- [12] **2023** (with Gabriel Crudele, Jonathan A. Noel, and Lina M. Simbaqueba). "Sidorenko-Type Inequalities for Pairs of Trees". URL: arXiv:2305.16542.
- [13] **2022** (with Trent G. Marbach, Paweł Prałat, and Andrzej Ruciński). "Subgraph games in the semi-random graph process and its generalization to hypergraphs". URL: arXiv:2105.07034.

Awards	and	<b>Funding</b>	
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Awarus and Funding	
PIMS Postdoctoral Fellowship, University of Victoria 2	022 - 2023
EPSRC Doctoral Studentship, Queen Mary University of London 20	016 - 2020
Clay Mathematics Institute Funding US\$1,120 (~£940) to support conference travel	Jul 2022
QMUL Postgraduate Research Fund £400 to support conference travel	Jun 2019
<b>London Mathematical Society Funding</b> £100 to support conference travel	Jun 2019
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School of Mathematical Sciences Presentation Prize, QMUL	Apr 2019
Ann Cook Poster Presentation Prize, QMUL	Apr 2018
Undergraduate Summer Research Scholarship, Trinity College, Cambridge (£2000) Jul	- Sep 2015
Supervisor: Dr. Stuart Martin	
Title: The Representation Theory of the Symmetric Group	
Senior Scholar, Trinity College, University of Cambridge	Jul 2014
Talks	
Invited Conference Talks	
IBL60 (in honour of Imre Leader's 60th birthday), University of Cambridge	Sep $2023$
CanaDAM (Combinatorics and Algebra minisymposium), University of Winnipeg	$\mathrm{Jun}\ 2023$
Moscow Conference on Combinatorics and Applications, MIPT	Jul 2021
Open University Winter Combinatorics Meeting	Feb 2019
Invited External Seminar Talks	
One World Combinatorics on Words Seminar	Oct 2022
Combinatorics Seminar, University of Bristol Feb 2019, Apr 2021.	Nov 2021
Graphs and Matroids Seminar via Matroid Union blog	Oct 2021
Combinatorics Study Group, QMUL	Oct 2021
Discrete Mathematics Seminar, TU Ilmenau	Jul 2021
Women in Combinatorics Virtual Colloquium	Feb 2021
Mathematical Sciences Seminar, Birkbeck University of London	Oct 2019
PhD Seminar on Combinatorics, Games and Optimisation, LSE	Oct 2019
Combinatorics Seminar, University of Warwick	Oct 2018
Combinatorics Seminar, University of Cambridge	Feb 2018
Select Other Talks	
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Workshop on Spanning Subgraphs in Graphs, University of Warwick	Jul 2023
Random Structures and Algorithms, Institute of European Culture Gniezno	Aug 2022
Young Researchers in Combinatorics workshop, ICMS	Jul 2022
British Combinatorial Conferences  Jul 2019, Jul 2027	
Cross-community Collaborations in Combinatorics workshop, BIRS	Jun 2022
CanaDAM	May 2021
Workshop on Graph Theory & Combinatorics in Thuringia	Jul 2020
BYMAT (Bringing Young Mathematicians Together) Postgraduate Combinatorial Conferences, LSE / University of Oxford  Jun 2018	Dec 2020 , Jun 2019
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Workshops	
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Young Researchers in Combinatorics workshop, ICMS	Jul 2022
Cross-community Collaborations in Combinatorics workshop, BIRS	$\mathrm{May}\ 2022$
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Jun 2021

 $\mathrm{Jul}\ 2020$ 

Graduate Research Workshop in Combinatorics

Workshop on Graph Theory & Combinatorics in Thuringia

### **Teaching**

Graph Theory – Masters course with 60 students	Autumn 2023		
lecturing, writing homework assignments and exams (shared with Candy Bowtell	)		
Matrix Algebra I – Second-year undergraduate course with 110 students	Autumn 2022		
lecturing, office hours, writing homework assignments and exams			
Random Processes (running tutorials), Calculus I (running tutorials, marking)	Autumn 2019		
Coding Theory (tutorial assistant, marking)	Spring 2019		
Geometry I (running tutorials), Coding Theory (tutorial assistant, marking)	Spring 2018		
Differential and Integral Analysis (tutorial assistant, marking)	Spring 2017		
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Outreach and Engagement			
Imagining UVic, The Catalan Numbers	Oct 2022		
Wrote and delivered 2 hour workshop for small group of girls aged 16–18.			
QMUL Girls in Maths Taster Days, Graph Theory	Mar 2019, 2020		
Wrote and delivered 45 minute lecture to 140 girls aged 16–17.	,		
Royal Institution Mathematics Masterclasses, Geometry in the 4th Dimension	Feb 2019		
Delivered a 2.5 hour masterclass for 90 children aged 16–17.			
LMS Newsletter Microthesis, Hypergraph Saturation Irregularities	Sept 2019		
Invited to write exposition on part of my PhD work for the LMS newsletter.	•		
International Mathematical Olympiad, Coordinator	Jul 2019		
Co-created a mark scheme, marked scripts and coordinated marks with team leaders.			
QMUL Year 11 Maths Summer Schools, Codes and Ciphers	2017, 2018, 2019		
Wrote and helped to deliver three day extended research project.	, ,		
QMUL Year 11 Maths Summer Schools, The Catalan Numbers	2017, 2018, 2019		
Wrote and delivered hour-long interactive class for 40 children aged 15–16.	, ,		
Winchester Mathematics Summer School, Double Counting	2018		
Wrote and delivered hour-long interactive class for 30 children aged 16–17.			
UKMT Summer Schools (various), Modular Arithmetic/Graphs	2013 - 2018		
Wrote and delivered 1.5-hour interactive classes for groups of 20 to 30 children aged 13–16.			
UKMT Maths Circles, The Catalan Numbers	2016, 2018		
Wrote and delivered 1.5-hour interactive classes for 30 children aged 13–15.	,		
UKMT Mentoring Scheme	2012 - 2020		

# **Administrative Experience and Academic Service**

Mentor for gifted schoolchildren aged 16–18, via email correspondence.

Organiser for Early Career Mathematicians in Combinatorics workshop, ICMSJournal referee 2018 – present

For Journals of Combinatorial Theory A and B, SIAM Journal on Discrete Mathematics, Discrete Mathematics, the Electronic Journal of Combinatorics, and Mathematika.

Queen Mary Internal Postgraduate Seminar (QuIPS) Organiser 2017–2018

Organised weekly seminar for mathematics postgraduates.

## Emmy Noether Society Treasurer

2014

Treasurer of student society to promote women in maths. As treasurer I secured an LMS Small Grant for Education for the society.

#### **Technical Skills**

**Programming Languages** Python (good), C, GAP, MATLAB (all previously good but rusty).

**Professional Experience** Employed as a software developer at Metaswitch Networks for two months in each of 2013 and 2014. Designed, wrote and tested code for communications infrastructure such as routers. Was awarded a bonus and a paid scholarship to return for a second summer.