Pierre-Louis Blayac

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Curriculum Vitae

Employment

- 2022–present **Postdoc in mathematics**, *University of Michigan*, Ann Arbor.
 - 2021–2022 **Postdoc in mathematics**, *Max Planck Institut für Mathematik*, Bonn.

Education

- 2018–2021 **PhD thesis in mathematics**, *IHES, Université Paris-Saclay*, France. PhD thesis under the supervision of Fanny Kassel, on the dynamics of the geodesic flow on convex projective manifolds. Defended on 19 July 2021.
- 2016–2017 **Master in mathematics**, Université Pierre et Marie Curie, Paris. Thesis supervised by Anton Zorich: *Topology of the moduli space of translation surfaces*.
- 2014–2018 Student at École Normale Supérieure, Paris.
- 2012–2014 **Preparatory classes for the Grandes Écoles**, *Lycée Michel de Montaigne*, Bordeaux.

Papers

- 2020 **Topological mixing of the geodesic flow on convex projective manifolds**. Preprint, arXiv:2009.05035, to appear in Annales de l'Institut Fourier.
- 2021 **Patterson–Sullivan densities in convex projective geometry**. Preprint, arXiv:2106.08089.
- 2021 **Ergodicity and equidistribution in Hilbert geometry**, in collaboration with Feng Zhu. Journal of Modern Dynamics 19 (2023) p. 879-945.
- 2021 **The boundary of rank-one divisible convex sets**. Preprint, arXiv:2106.07581, to appear in Bulletin de la Société Mathématique de France.
- 2021 **Dynamical aspects of convex projective structures**, *PhD thesis*. http://www.theses.fr/2021UPASM029
- 2023 Divisible convex sets with properly embedded cones, in collaboration with Gabriele Viaggi.

Preprint, arXiv:2302.07177.

Teaching

- Winter 2024 Instructor (~30 hours), University of Michigan, Ann Arbor. Introduction to Topology (math 590 in the local terminology). The teaching method was standard lectures.
 - Fall 2023 Instructor (~60 hours), University of Michigan, Ann Arbor. Principle of Analysis (math 351 in the local terminology). The teaching method was inquiry based learning.
- Winter 2023 Instructor (~90 hours), University of Michigan, Ann Arbor. Linear Algebra (math 217 in the local terminology). The teaching method was inquiry based learning.

- Fall 2022 Instructor (~60 hours), University of Michigan, Ann Arbor. Calculus (math 115 in the local terminology). The teaching method was inquiry based learning.
- 2018–2019 **Teaching assistant (64 hours)**, *IUT d'Orsay*, Orsay. I gave exercise sessions in graph theory and calculus to undergraduate students.
- 2019–2020 **Teaching assistant (64 hours)**, *IUT d'Orsay*, Orsay. I gave exercise sessions in probability theory to undergraduate students.
- 2020–2021 **Teaching assistant (64 hours)**, *IUT d'Orsay*, Orsay. I give exercise sessions in graph theory and calculus to undergraduate students.

Service

- 2019–2020 **Graduate students seminar**, Orsay. Co-organiser.
- Oct. 2020 Math competition "concours SMF junior", France. Jointly with Matthieu Piquerez, we submitted a problem and marked the candidates' papers.

Talks

Invited talks in seminars and conferences

- Jan. 2024 Geometry and discrete groups seminar, Bures-sur-Yvette (IHES), France.
- Oct. 2023 Topology seminar, Tallahassee (Florida State University), USA.
- Sept. 2023 Group Actions, Geometry and Dynamics seminar, New Have (Yale University), USA.
- June 2023 Conference "Homogeneous Dynamics and Geometry in Higher-Rank Lie Groups", Bures-sur-Yvette (IHES), France.
- March 2023 **Topology seminar**, Houston (Rice University), USA.
 - Feb. 2023 Dynamics seminar, Chicago (University of Chicago), USA.
 - Feb. 2023 Dynamics seminar, Madison, USA.
- Sept. 2022 Geometry seminar, Ann Arbor, USA.
- Feb. 2022 Séminaire de géométrie différentielle, Nancy, France.
- Jan. 2022 Séminaire Géométrie et applications, Strasbourg, France.
- Nov. 2021 Geometry seminar, Heidelberg, Germany.
- Oct. 2021 Ergodic theory seminar, Rennes, France.
- Sept. 2021 **Topology seminar**, Austin, USA. Online
- Nov. 2020 **Oberseminar Differentialgeometrie**, Bonn, Germany. Online
- Dec. 2019 Ergodic theory seminar, Rennes, France.
- Nov. 2019 Graduate students seminar, Orsay, France.
- June 2019 Workshop "Perspective on convex projective geometry", Sète, France. Talks in working seminars
- 2019–2020 **On the paper Surface groups in uniform lattices of some semi-simple groups**, by Kahn–Labourie–Mozes.
- 2019–2020 **On the book Discrete groups, expanding graphs and invariant measures**, by Lubotzky– Rogawski.
- 2019–2020 On the paper Percolation on hyperbolic graphs, by Hutchcroft.
- 2018–2019 On Margulis' super-rigidity.

2018–2019 On the paper Quantitative properties of convex representations, by A. Sambarino.

Attended conferences

- May 2023 **Groups and Geometry in Dynamics**, Ascona, Switzerland. Conference in honor of Ursula Hamenstädt
- Jan. 2022 Workshop on Positivity in Lie Groups, Heidelberg, Germany.
- Dec. 2021 Winterschool on Geometry and Dynamics, Aussois, France.
- Sept. 2021 Workshop on Anosov representations, Aussois, France.
- June 2021 Regards croisés en dynamique, Brest, France.
- Nov. 2019 **Young researchers conference in geometry and dynamics**, Nancy, France. Title of the conference: "Paroles aux jeunes chercheurs".
- Oct. 2019 Oberwolfach Arbeitsgemeinschaft on Zimmer's Conjecture, Oberwolfach, Germany.
- July 2019 Aspects of geometric group theory, Bures-sur-Yvette, France. Summer school.
- July 2019 Young Geometric Group Theory VIII, Bilbao, Spain.
- May 2019 Dynamics of group actions in honor of Yves Benoist, Cetraro, Italy.
- Jan. 2019 Geometric structures in Nice, France. Winter school and conference.
- Nov. 2018 Young researchers conference in geometry and dynamics, Lyon, France.
- Oct. 2018 Oberwolfach arbeitsgemeinschaft on Random walks on reductive groups, Germany.
- Sept. 2018 Representations of surface groups and beyond, Lille, France.
- June 2018 Pseudo-Riemannian geometry and Anosov representations, Luxembourg.
- March 2018 Young Geometric Group Theory VII, Les Diablerets, Suisse.
- Sept. 2018 Young researchers conference in geometry and dynamics, Rennes, France.
- June 2017 Contemporary perspective in geometry, Strasbourg, France.
- Summer 2015 **Park city math institute (PCMI)**, Park city, Utah. Summer school on algebraic geometry.

Math and physics competitions

- 2018 **Math competition "concours SMF junior"**, Paris, France. With Louise Gassot and Matthieu Piquerez, joint second prize.
- April 2013 International physics olympiad (IPHO), Paris, France. I attended national selection.

Languages

Français Mother tongue English Fluent

Español Basics

Computer skills

Latex, Tikz, basics of Sage