

CURRICULUM VITAE ABREVIADO (CVA)

Part A. PERSONAL INFORMATION

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A.1. Current position

Position	Professor Lector		
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A.2. Previous positions (research activity interruptions, indicate total months)

Period	Position/Institution/Country/Interruption cause
2012-2016	Lecturer/V.N. Karazin Kharkiv National University/Ukraine
2016-2019	Postdoctoral Fellow/Jacobs University Bremen/Germany
2020-2021	Researcher (postdoc)/Aix-Marseille University/France
2021-2023	Postdoc (Kaloshin Group)/Institute of Science and Technology Austria/Austria

A.3. Education

PhD, Graduate	University	Year
PhD in Mathematics	B.I. Verkin Institute for Low Temperature Physics and Engineering of the National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine (Kharkiv/Ukraine)	2016
Master's in Mathematics and Teaching of Mathematics	V.N. Karazin Kharkiv National University (Kharkiv/Ukraine)	2012

Part B. CV SUMMARY (max. 5000 characters, including spaces)

I did my PhD in geometry in 2016 in Kharkiv/Ukraine under supervision of Prof. A. Borisenko. Before that, I got my bachelor and master degrees with distinction in mathematics and teaching of mathematics from Kharkiv University. During my studies in Ukraine, I was actively participating in various international events and have started independent collaborations with colleagues abroad. Parallel to my PhD studies, in 2012-2016 I was a full-time tenured lecturer at the Math Department of Kharkiv University.

In 2016-2023 I held three research postdocs in internationally recognized groups working in dynamical systems. The first two postdocs, at Jacobs University Bremen/Germany (2016-2019) and Aix-Marseille University/France (2020-2021), were within the project *HOLOGRAM: Holomorphic dynamics connecting geometry, root-finding, algebra* funded by the ERC Advanced Grant (PI D. Schleicher). Within this project, I was the leading researcher in one of the 4 themes (Theme A: Combinatorics and Rigidity of Rational Maps). A highlight of my research output within this project is the proof of rigidity for Newton maps of polynomials



of arbitrary degree. Such maps appear naturally in Newton's iterative root-finding method and, thanks in part to my results, they form the largest family of non-polynomial rational maps for which rigidity is now known. The flagship paper in this line of research was published in [1]. Another highlight output within the HOLOGRAM project is a conceptual re-development of the theory of box mappings. This theory is a state-of-the-art tool to study rigidity of multicritical maps and was set forth in my 92-page paper [2]. My third postdoc was IST Austria (2021-2023), where I was part of an ERC project *SPERIG: Spectral Rigidity and Integrability for Billiards and Geodesic Flows* (PI V. Kaloshin). With Prof. Kaloshin, we collaborated on questions in spectral rigidity of expanding circle maps and geodesic flows. I highlight that for my postdocs I have successfully added Dynamical Systems as a completely new, primary research field parallel to my PhD field of Geometry. I actively maintain research in the latter, a highlight here is a complete resolution of the reverse isoperimetric problem for lambda-concave bodies in Euclidean space of any dimension [4] and a recent progress on Borisenko's conjecture in dimension 3 (submitted, 2024).

Since September 2023, I am a Professor Lector at Universitat de Barcelona (Spain).

I published 17 papers (13 in JCR journals, 3 are published jointly with my bachelor/master students based on their theses under my supervision). I have 64 citations at MathSciNet and 206 citations in Google Scholar.

I have built an extensive network of international collaborators. I have ongoing projects in dynamics with several centers, including Aix-Marseille Univ. (D. Schleicher), Imperial College London (S. van Strien), Stony Brook Univ. (M. Lyubich, D. Dudko), U. of Zurich (J. Yang), ISTA (V. Kaloshin), TIFR Mumbai (S. Mukherjee). I am a PI on an AEI Grant PID2023-147252NB-I00 (2024-2027) and a co-PI of an A*Midex Foundation Grant AMX-22-IN1-50 (2024-2029) between Aix-Marseille Univ./France and Univ. Barcelona (2024-2029, jointly with D. Schleicher, N. Fagella).

Since 2012, I have participated in more than 40 international conferences (>10 with invited talks, most recently in July 2025) and is regularly invited for research visits and seminar talks. In May 2022, I gave an invited talk at the final conference of the special semester in complex dynamics at MSRI (Berkeley/US). I co-organized 5 major international events (a highlight is the "[Topics in Complex Dynamics](#)", June 2025/UB, 75 participants).

I have 7+ years of teaching experience (in Ukraine, Germany, Austria, Spain) and 4+ years of outreach experience (public lectures and TV appearances, mentoring of high school research projects, most recently, I supervised a research project at the [Barcelona Introduction to Mathematical Research](#) program, July 2025). I supervised 5 bachelor theses (4/Ukraine, 1/Germany; one of these is now a tenure-track professor at the Univ. of Waterloo), 2 master theses (1/Ukraine, 1/Spain), and currently I am supervising 1 master student (UB) and 2 PhD students (Imperial College London/UK, jointly with Prof. S. van Strien; and at Aix-Marseille University, within the A*Midex Grant). I am a referee for 20+ international math journals (incl. *Adv. Math*, *GAFA*, *Trans. AMS*).

Since 2016, I have been involved in a project in applied mathematics related to Topological Data Analysis in clinical trials. In this award-winning project, I am providing scientific leadership to a group of 6 applied mathematicians. This work is done in partnership with the clinical research organization *Intego Clinicals* (US/Poland/Costa Rica/Ukraine). Among several awards, with the project I won the Best Paper Award in the ML/AI Stream at the major industrial conference PHUSE US Connect (March 2025, Florida/US). Based on this project, I have 3 patents.

Part C. RELEVANT MERITS

C.1. Publications [selection of 10 most relevant]

1. K. Drach, D. Schleicher. Rigidity of Newton Dynamics. *Adv. Math.* 408 (2022) 108591. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.aim.2022.108591>
2. T. Clark, K. Drach, O. Kozlovski, S. van Strien. The dynamics of complex box mappings. *Arnold Math. Journal* 8 (2022) 319-410. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s40598-022-00200-7>
3. K. Drach, R. Lodge, D. Schleicher, M. Sowinski. Puzzles and the Fatou-Shishikura injection for rational Newton maps. *Trans. Amer. Math. Soc.* 374 (2021), no. 4, 2753-2784. <https://doi.org/10.1090/tran/8273>

4. R. Chernov, K. Drach, K. Tatarko. A sausage body is a unique solution for a reverse isoperimetric problem. *Adv. Math.* 353 (2019), 431-445.
<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.aim.2019.07.005>
5. K. Drach, Ya. Mikulich, J. Rückert, D. Schleicher. A combinatorial classification of postcritically fixed Newton maps. *Ergod. Theor. Dyn. Syst.* 39 (2019), no. 11, 2983-3014. <https://doi.org/10.1017/etds.2018.2>
6. K. Drach, Y. Haidamaka, M. Mixer, M. Skoryk. Archimedean toroidal maps and their minimal almost regular covers. *Ars Math. Contemp.* 17 (2019), no. 2, 493-514.
<https://doi.org/10.26493/1855-3974.1825.64c>
7. K. Drach. Inradius estimates for convex domains in 2-dimensional Alexandrov spaces. *Anal. Geom. In Metric Spaces* 6 (2018), 165-173.
<https://doi.org/10.1515/agms-2018-0009>
8. A. Borisenko, K. Drach. Extreme properties of curves with bounded curvature on a sphere. *J. Dyn. Contr. Syst.* 21 (2015), no. 3, 311-327.
<https://doi.org/10.1007/s10883-014-9221-z>
9. K. Drach. Some sharp estimates for convex hypersurfaces of pinched normal curvature. *J. Math. Phys. Anal. Geom.* 11 (2015), no. 2, 111-122.
<https://doi.org/10.15407/mag11.02.111>
10. K. Drach, M. Mixer. Minimal covers of equivelar toroidal maps. *Ars Math. Contemp.* 9 (2015), no. 2, 77-91. <https://doi.org/10.26493/1855-3974.406.3ec>

Key preprints:

11. K. Drach, L. Staresinic, S. van Strien. Density of Stable Interval Translation Maps. 2024, 75 pages, *submitted*. <https://doi.org/10.48550/arXiv.2411.14312>
12. K. Drach, K. Tatarko. Reverse isoperimetric problems under curvature constraints, 2023, 39 pages, *submitted*. <https://doi.org/10.48550/arXiv.2303.02294>

C.2. Congress (selection of 10)

1. May 2024, Parameter spaces in complex dynamics and related topics (**invited talk**), Pisa/Italy [\[link to recording\]](#)
2. July 2023, Dynamische Systeme (**invited talk**), Oberwolfach/Germany
3. March 2023, Complex dynamics: connections to other fields (**invited talk**), Chęciny/Poland (part of Thematic Research Program “Modern holomorphic dynamics and related fields”)
4. August 2022, Complexity of Julia sets IV (**invited talk**), Bedlewo/Poland.
5. May 2022, Adventurous Berkeley Complex Dynamics (**invited talk**), MSRI/USA.
6. October 2021, Complexity of Julia sets III (**invited talk**), Bedlewo/Poland, [\[link to recording\]](#).
7. September 2021, Advancing Bridges in Complex Dynamics (**invited talk**), CIRM/France, [\[link to recording\]](#).
8. April 2021, Topics in Complex Dynamics 2021 (**invited talk**), University of Barcelona, Barcelona/Spain, [\[link to recording\]](#).
9. June 2018, Hanseatic Dynamical Systems Day (**invited talk**), Hamburg University, Hamburg/Germany.
10. August 2014, International Congress of Mathematicians 2014 (**short communication**), Seoul/Korea.

C.3. Research projects

1. **PI**, Agencia Estatal de Investigación/Spain, Grant PID2023-147252NB-I00 “Wandering domains, rigidity, and root finding in holomorphic dynamics” € 100 000 (PI with N. Fagella (UB))
Period: 01.09.2024-31.08.2027.
2. **Co-PI**, A*Midex Foundation “Modern Mathematics in Marseille and More” Grant # AMX-22-IN1-50, total budget € 987 388, (co-PI with D. Schleicher (Aix-Marseille University/France), N. Fagella (Universitat de Barcelona/Spain)).
Period: 01.09.2024-30.08.2029
3. **PI**, FFG Career Grant/Austria, Grant #41069370, total budget: €2000, period: 01.09.2021—31.12.2021.

4. **Co-PI**, Imperial–CNRS Collaboration Grant, project: “Renormalization and rigidity of complex box mappings”, jointly w/ D. Schleicher (Aix-Marseille University/France), S. van Strien (Imperial College London/UK), total budget: **£ 7 000**.
Period: 01.01.2021–31.12.2021 (+COVID extension period).
5. **Postdoctoral researcher** in SPERIG (Spectral rigidity and integrability for billiards and geodesic flows) ERC Advanced Grant, ID: 885707, PI: Vadim Kaloshin (IST Austria), total budget: **€ 1 820 816**.
Period: 01.09.2021–31.08.2023.
6. **Postdoctoral researcher, member of the steering committee, leading researcher of one of 4 themes (Theme A)** in HOLOGRAM (Holomorphic Dynamics connecting Geometry, Root-Finding, Algebra, and the Mandelbrot set) ERC Advanced Grant, ID: 695621, PI: Dierk Schleicher (Aix-Marseille University/France), total budget: **€ 2 312 481**.
Period: 01.10.2016–30.09.2021.

C.4. Contracts, technological or transfer merits

1. **Co-PI**, project: “Topological data analysis in clinical trials”, company: Intego Group LLC (USA/Poland/Costa Rica/Ukraine), period: 01.02.2016–30.09.2016, budget: undisclosed.
2. **Lead Data Scientist** external to Intego Group LLC (USA/Poland/Costa Rica/Ukraine), period: 30.09.2016–present.
3. S. Glushakov, V. Balon, I. Kotenko, A. Rekalov, K. Drach, B. Chornomaz, V. Shevtsova. Systems and methods for topology-based clinical data mining, US Patent US-11069447-B2 (July 2021), holder: Intego Group LLC.
4. S. Glushakov, K. Drach, V. Shevtsova, I. Kotenko, L. Polyakova. Graph-based discovery of geometry of clinical data to reveal communities of clinical trials subjects, US Patent US-11789970-B2 (October 2023), holder: Intego Group LLC.
5. S. Glushakov, K. Drach, V. Shevtsova, I. Kotenko, L. Polyakova, O. Leonov. Automatic selection of optimal graphs with robust geometric properties in graph-based discovery of geometry of clinical data, US Patent US-12278003-B2 (April 2025), holder Intego Group LLC.

C.5. International events organized

1. [Topics in Complex Dynamics 2025: Connections to Geometry and Dynamics](#), June 2-6, 2025, University of Barcelona (research summer school for PhD students and early career researchers, #participants=75).
2. [The European Mathematical Society Summer School “Topics in Complex Dynamics 2023”](#), June 19-23, 2023, University of Barcelona (research summer school for PhD students and early career researchers, #participants=50).
3. [Seminar Series “DynamIST”](#), Institute of Science and Technology Austria, Jan. 2022-Aug. 2023 (over 40 external guests, including A. Avila, M. Guardia, C. Liverani, E. Miranda, D. Peralta-Salas, A. Zorich)
4. [ABCD: Advancing Bridges in Complex Dynamics](#), September 20-24, 2021, CIRM/Luminy, Marseille/France (conference, #participants=147).
5. [Modern Mathematics – International Summer School for Students](#), July 1-11, 2017, Jacobs University Bremen/Germany (summer school for merit-based pre-selected international students, #participants=130).

C.6. Other merits

- Referee for the journals (21 journals): *Adv. in Mathematics*, *Annales de l’Institut Fourier*, *The American Math. Monthly*, *Applied Mathematics and Computation*, *Composito Mathematica*, *Conf. Geom. and Dynamics*, *Electronic J. Combinatorics*, *Forum Mathematicum*, *GAFA*, *IMRN*, *J. Difference Equations and Applications*, *Journal of Geometric Analysis*, *J. Math. Phys. Anal. Geom.*, *Nonlinearity*, *Proceedings Mathematical Sciences (India)*, *Proceedings of the LMS*, *Quantitative Theory of Dynamical Systems*, *Revista Matematica Iberoamericana*, *Rocky Mountain J. Math*, *Transactions of the AMS*, *Ukrainian Mathematical Journal*.
- Member of the Selection Committee of the [Heidelberg Laureate Forum](#) (2023-present).