

# Sebastian Heller

## Curriculum Vitae

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### Personal Details

Date of Birth February 22, 1981  
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Marital status Married, 3 children

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### Research Interests

Harmonic maps, minimal and CMC surfaces  
Geometric and analytic aspects of moduli spaces  
Higgs bundles and Hitchin systems  
Integrable systems

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### Education

- 2014 **Habilitation**, *Eberhard Karls University Tübingen*.  
Thesis title: Integrable system methods for higher genus CMC surfaces in the 3-sphere
- 2005–2008 **Ph.D. in Mathematics**, *Humboldt Universität zu Berlin*.  
Thesis title: Conformal Submersions of  $S^3$   
Advisors: Prof. Dr. Thomas Friedrich and Prof. Dr. Ulrich Pinkall
- 2000–2004 **Diploma (MSc equivalent) in Mathematics**, *Technische Universität Berlin*.  
Thesis title: On the Classification of Willmore Spheres  
Advisors: Prof. Dr. Ulrich Pinkall

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### Employment

- since 09/2022 **Professor** at the Beijing Institute of Mathematical Sciences and Applications
- 10/2020-08/2022 **Researcher** at Leibniz University Hannover
- 04/2020-09/2020 **Substitute Professor** at the University of Heidelberg
- 10/2019-04/2020 **Research Associate** at Leibniz University Hannover
- 10/2017-09/2019 **PostDoc** at RTG1670 at the University of Hamburg
- 04/2017-09/2017 **Research Associate** at Leibniz University Hannover
- 02/2013-08/2013 parental leave
- 10/2007-03/2017 **Research Associate** at Eberhard Karls University Tübingen
- 10/2002–03/2005 **Teaching assistant**, TU Berlin

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## Grants

- 2023-2025 **BJNSF International Scientists Program**, PI in the project *Loop group methods for minimal Lagrangian surfaces* ( $\sim 200.000$  Yuan)
- 2020-2023 **DFG research grants programme**  
Principal Investigator in the DFG priority programme *Geometry at Infinity* ( $\sim 222.000$  Euro )
- 2016-2017 **DFG research grants programme**  
Principal Investigator in the DFG programme *Constant mean curvature surfaces of higher genus* ( $\sim 65.000$  Euro together with Dr. Nicholas Schmitt)
- 2016-2017 **DFG research grants programme**  
Principal Investigator in the DFG programme *Constant mean curvature surfaces with non-abelian fundamental groups: theory and experiments* ( $\sim 70.000$  Euro)

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## Conferences Organized

- 2023 Willmore Workshop, Beijing
- 2022 Organizer of the *11th Northern German Day of Differential Geometry*, Hannover
- 05/2022 Organizer of the workshop *Higgs bundles at Infinity II*, Hannover
- 12/2021 Organizer of the workshop *Higgs bundles at infinity*, Kiel
- 10/2018 Co-organizer of the summer school *Higgs bundles in Mathematics and Physics*, Hamburg
- 08/2017 Co-organizer of the conference *Higgs bundles, harmonic maps and integrable systems*, Hannover
- 2012 Co-organizer of the workshop *Integrable surfaces and Whitham deformations*, Tübingen
- 2010 Co-organizer of the workshop *Progress in higher genus surface geometry*, Tübingen

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## Publications

### Accepted and published

34. I. Biswas, S. Dumitrescu, L. Heller, S. Heller, J. Pedro dos Santos. *On the monodromy of holomorphic differential systems*, accepted for publication in **Int. Jour. Math.**, special volume in honor of Oscar Garcia-Prada 60th birthday, preprint: arXiv:2310.16330.
33. S. Heller, F. Pedit, Ch. Ouyang, Higgs bundles and SYZ geometry, accepted for publication in **Journal of Differential Geometry**, preprint: arXiv:2203.04224.
32. I. Biswas, S. Heller, L. Schaposnik, *Real slices of  $SL(r, C)$ -opers*, **SIGMA** 19 (2023), 067, 23 pages, <https://www.emis.de/journals/SIGMA/2023/067/>.
31. L. Heller, S. Heller. *Fuchsian DPW potentials for Lawson surfaces*, **Geom. Dedicata**, 217, (2023) <https://doi.org/10.1007/s10711-023-00840-9>.
30. L. Heller, S. Heller, M. Traizet. *Area estimates for high genus Lawson surfaces via DPW*, **Journal of Differential Geometry**, 124 (1), 1–35, (May 2023).
29. I. Biswas, S. Dumitrescu, S. Heller. *Branched  $SL(r, C)$ -opers*, **International Mathematics Research Notices**, Volume 2023, Issue 10, May 2023, Pages 8311–8355.

28. I. Biswas, N. Borne, S. Dumitrescu, S. Heller. *Parabolicopers and differential operators*, **J. Geom. Phys.**, Volume 187, (May 2023), DOI
27. S. Heller, *Real projective structures on Riemann surfaces and new hyper-Kähler manifolds*, **Manuscripta Mathematica**, 171, No. 1-2, 241–262 (2023).
26. M. Aprodu, I. Biswas, S. Dumitrescu, S. Heller *On the monodromy map for the logarithmic differential systems*, **Bull. Soc. Math. France** 150 (3), 2022, p. 543–568.
25. I. Biswas, S. Bradlow, S. Dumitrescu, S. Heller. *Uniformization of branched surfaces and Higgs bundles*, **Int. J. of Mathematics**, Vol. 32, No. 13 (2021)
24. I. Biswas, S. Heller, L. Schaposnik. *Branes and moduli spaces of Higgs bundles on smooth projective varieties*, **Research in the Mathematical Sciences**, 8 (2021), no. 3, Paper No. 52.
23. L. Heller, S. Heller, Ch. B. Ndiaye. *Stability properties of 2-lobed De-launay tori in the 3-sphere*, **Diff. Geom. Appl.**, Volume 79, 2021, doi.org/10.1016/j.difgeo.2021.101805.
22. A. Bobenko, S. Heller, N. Schmitt. *Constant mean curvature surfaces based on fundamental quadrilaterals*, **Math. Physics, Analysis and Geometry** 24, 37 (2021)
21. L. Heller, S. Heller, Ch. B. Ndiaye. *Isothermic constrained Willmore tori in 3-space*, **Annals of Global Analysis and Geometry**, 60 (2021), no. 2, 231-251.
20. I. Biswas, S. Dumitrescu, S. Heller, J. Dos Santos. *On certain Tannakian categories of integrable connections over Kaehler manifolds*, **Canadian Journal of Mathematics**, 1-28. <https://www.doi.org/10.4153/S0008414X21000201>.
19. S. Heller. *Willmore spheres in the 3-sphere revisited*, accepted for publication in **Communications in Analysis and Geometry**, preprint: arXiv:2003.06922.
18. I. Biswas, S. Dumitrescu, S. Heller. *Irreducible flat  $SL(2, R)$ -connections on the trivial holomorphic bundle*, **Journal de Mathématiques Pures et Appliquées** (9) 149 (2021), 28-46.
17. L. Heller, S. Heller. *Higher solutions of Hitchin's self-duality equations*, **Journal of Integrable Systems** Volume 5, Issue 1, 2020, xyaa006.
16. F. Beck, S. Heller, M. Röser. *Energy of sections of the Deligne-Hitchin twistor space*, **Math. Annalen** 380 (2021), no. 3-4, 1169-1214.
15. A. Bobenko, S. Heller, N. Schmitt. *Minimal  $n$ -noids in hyperbolic and anti-de Sitter 3-space*, **Proceedings of the Royal Society A**, DOI: 10.1098/rspa.2019.0173.
14. I. Biswas, S. Heller, M. Röser. *Real Holomorphic Sections of the Deligne-Hitchin Twistor space*, **Comm. Math. Phys.**, Volume 366, Issue 3 (2019), pages 1099-1133.
13. S. Heller, L. Schaposnik. *Branes through finite group actions*, **J. Geom. Phys.**, Volume 129, July 2018, Pages 279-293.
12. L. Heller, S. Heller, N. Schmitt. *Navigating the Space of Symmetric CMC Surfaces*, **Journal of Differential Geometry**, vol. 110, no. 3 (2018), pp. 413-455.
11. I. Biswas, S. Heller. *Automorphisms of a rank one Deligne-Hitchin moduli space*, **SIGMA** 13 (2017), 072, 19 pages.
10. S. Heller. *The asymptotic behavior of the monodromy representation of the associated family of a compact CMC surface*, **Bull. Lond. Math. Soc.** 2016; doi: 10.1112/blms/bdw036.

9. L. Heller, S. Heller, N. Schmitt. *Spectral curve theory for  $(k, l)$ -Symmetric CMC Surfaces of Higher Genus*, **J. Geom. Phys.**, vol 98, pp 201–213, 2015.
8. L. Heller, S. Heller. *Abelianization of Fuchsian systems on a 4-punctured sphere and applications*, **Journal of Symplectic Geometry**, vol. 14, no. 4, pp. 1059–1088, 2016.
7. S. Heller. *Conformally flat circle bundles over surfaces*, **Diff. Geom. Appl.** 40 (2015), 103-110.
6. S. Heller, N. Schmitt. *Deformations of symmetric CMC surfaces in the 3-sphere*, **Experimental Mathematics**, Volume 24, Issue 1 (2015), pp 65-75.
5. S. Heller. *A spectral curve approach to Lawson symmetric CMC surfaces of genus 2*, **Math. Annalen**, Volume 360, Issue 3 (2014), pp 607-652.
4. S. Heller. *Lawson's genus two minimal surface and meromorphic connections*, **Math. Z.**, Volume 274 (2013), pp 745-760.
3. S. Heller. *Higher genus minimal surfaces in  $S^3$  and stable bundles*, **J. Reine Angew. Math. (Crelle's Journal)**, Volume 685 (2013), pp 105-122.
2. S. Heller. *Conformal fibrations of  $S^3$  by circles*, Harmonic maps and differential geometry, **Contemp. Math.**, Amer. Math. Soc., Providence, RI, Volume 542 (2011), pp 195-202.
1. S. Heller. *Harmonic morphisms on conformally flat 3-spheres*, **Bull. Lond. Math. Soc.**, Volume 43 (2011), no. 1, 137-150.

#### Preprints

8. I. Biswas, L. Heller, S. Heller. *Holomorphic Higgs bundles over the Teichmüller space*, preprint: arXiv:2308.13860.
7. L. Heller, S. Heller, M. Traizet. *Loop group methods for the non-abelian Hodge correspondence on a 4-punctured sphere*, preprint: arXiv:2205.12106.
6. I. Biswas, S. Dumitrescu, S. Heller., Ch. Pauly *Infinitesimal deformations of parabolic connections and parabolicopers*, preprint: arXiv:2202.09125 .
5. I. Biswas, S. Dumitrescu, L. Heller, S. Heller. *On the existence of holomorphic curves in compact quotients of  $SL(2, C)$* , preprint: arXiv:2112.03131.
4. L. Heller, S. Heller, M. Traizet. *Complete families of embedded high genus CMC surfaces in the 3-sphere*, preprint: arXiv:2108.10214.
3. I. Biswas, S. Dumitrescu, L. Heller, S. Heller. *Holomorphic  $sl(2, C)$ -systems with Fuchsian monodromy (with an appendix by Takuro Mochizuki)*, preprint: arXiv:2104.04818.
2. F. Beck, I. Biswas, S. Heller, M. Röser. *Geometry of the space of sections of twistor spaces with circle action*, preprint: arXiv:2102.10853.
1. L. Heller, S. Heller, N. Schmitt, *Exploring the Space of Compact Symmetric CMC Surfaces*, preprint: arXiv:1503.07838.

#### Conference Proceedings

S. Heller. *Higher genus CMC surfaces via integrable systems*, Abresch U, Pedit F, Umehara M.: Progress in Surface Theory. Oberwolfach Rep. Volume 10 (2013), pp 1253-1312.

A. Gerding, S. Heller, F. Pedit and N. Schmitt. *Global aspects of integrable surface geometry*, in *Systemes integrables et theorie des champs quantiques*, eds: P. Baird, F. Helein, J. Kouneiher, F. Pedit, V. Roubtsov, collection Travaux en Cours en Physique-Mathematiques, no 75, Hermann (2009)

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## Selected Talks

- 07/2023 *New minimal Lagrangian surfaces in  $CP^2$* , ICBS, Beijing
- 11/2022 *Complete families of CMC surfaces in the 3-sphere*, Tsinghua University, Beijing
- 11/2021 *Complete families of CMC surfaces in the 3-sphere*, SFB Colloquium, TU Berlin
- 02/2020 *Harmonic maps, integrable systems and moduli spaces*, GRK 1670 closing event, Hamburg
- 07/2019 *Real projective structures and new hyper-Kähler metrics*, Geometric and analytic aspects of moduli spaces, Hannover, Germany
- 05/2019 *Deligne-Hitchin moduli spaces and harmonic maps*, Variational problems and the geometry of submanifolds, CIRM, France
- 03/2018 *Deformations of Deligne-Hitchin moduli spaces*, Complex Analytic Geometry, Tata Institute, Mumbai
- 03/2018 *Higher solutions of Hitchins self-duality equations*, Analytic and Algebraic Geometry, ICTS, Bengaluru
- 12/2017 *Higher solutions of Hitchins self-duality equations*, Differential Geometry and Differential Equations: the influence of Mirror Symmetry and Physics, Waseda University, Tokyo
- 06/2016 *Deformation theory for CMC surfaces*, Workshop "Higgs bundles, branes and quantization", Simons Center for Geometry and Physics
- 03/2016 *Deformation theory for CMC surfaces*, Workshop "Higgs bundles in Geometry and Physics", Heidelberg
- 02/2016 *CMC surfaces and moduli spaces of flat connections*, Joint International Workshop on "Differential Geometry and Integrable Systems", Osaka City University and Kobe University
- 01/2016 *Deformation theory for CMC surfaces*, Tsinghua University, Beijing
- 04/2015 *Navigating the space of symmetric CMC surfaces*, SFB Colloquium, TU Berlin
- 06/2013 *Minimal surfaces in the 3-sphere and meromorphic connections*, Aspects algébriques et analytiques des équations différentielles et aux différences, Lille
- 06/2013 *Deformations of genus 2 CMC surfaces - Experiments and Theory*, Variational problems and Geometric PDEs, Granada
- 06/2013 *Higher genus CMC surfaces in the 3-sphere via integrable systems*, Workshop on Advances in Surface Theory, Leicester
- 06/2013 *Higher genus CMC surfaces via Integrable systems*, Progress in Surface Theory, Mathematisches Forschungsinstitut Oberwolfach
- 03/2012 *Integrable system methods for higher genus minimal surfaces*, Workshop: Navigating the Space of Surfaces, HIM, Bonn
- 11/2011 *Integrable system methods for higher genus minimal surfaces*, Workshop on Geometric Analysis and Partial Differential Equations, Granada
- 09/2009 *Harmonic morphisms on conformally flat 3-spheres*, A Harmonic Map Fest, Cagliari

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## Teaching

- 2023 Riemann surfaces, Integrable PDEs
  - 2022 Minimal surfaces
  - 2021 Manifolds
  - 2020 Differential Geometry
  - 2019 Mathematics for engineers 1
  - 2016 Riemann surfaces  
Harmonic maps
  - 2015/16 Mathematics for Physicists II - III
  - 2014 Advanced topics in Differential Geometry
  - 2013 Manifolds
  - 2010 Riemann surfaces  
Analysis IV
  - 2008 Riemannian Geometry
- PostDocs
- 2022-2023 Jacob Kryczka
- Students
- 2023-2026 PhD student Linlin Wang
  - 2015-2019 PhD student Benedetto Manca (joint with Stefano Montaldo)
  - 2015-2016 Master students Max Heydel and Matthias Nowara
  - 2014-2015 Bachelor students Sebastian Künkele and Lena Lörcher
  - 2011-2012 Diploma student Florian Beck
  - 2009-2010 Co-advisor of Diploma student Benjamin Volk

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## Languages

- German Mother tongue
- English Fluent
- Chinese not fluent yet

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