

# **Mathematik als Reise-Vehikel**

**Kantonsschule ZH-Hottingen**

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# Curriculum Vitae: „Das Übliche“

Personal: \* 19. June 1945 / Citizenship: **Ettingen** (BL) Switzerland / Married / Four children (\* 1970, 1974, 1976, 1981)/ Five grand-children (\* 2010, 2013, 2013, 2015, 2020) / Domicile: **Winterthur**.

Education: **Primary School** in **Ettingen** (BL) 1951-1956 / **Secondary School** in **Therwil** (BL) 1957-1960 / **Apprentice** in Mechanical Design at F. Sauter AG in **Basel**, 1961-1962 / **Mathematisch-Naturwissenschaftliches Gymnasium** in **Basel**, Matura Typus C, 1963-1966 / **Studies in Mathematics** with **Minors Physics** and **Astronomie** at the **University of Basel** / Diploma in Mathematics, 1966-1971 **PhD Thesis** in Commutative Algebra, under Direction of Professor **W. Habicht**, **University** of Basel, Dr. Phil. II, summa cum laude, 1971-1974.

Positions: **Personal Assistant** of Professor **A.M.Ostrowski** in **Basel**, 1968-1971 / **Assistant** at the Institute of Mathematics of the **University of Basel**, 1971 - 1974 / **Post Doctoral Assistant** at the **Ecole Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne**, Research Group of Professor **M. André**, 1974-1976 / **Post Doctoral Fellow (SNF)** at the Westfälische Wilhelms-Universität in **Münster/Germany**, Research Group of Professor **H.J. Nastold**, 1977-1978 / **Post Doctoral Fellow (SNF)** at **Brandeis University, Waltham Mass./USA**, Research Group of Professor **D. Eisenbud**, 1978-1979 / **Post Doctoral Fellow** at the Westfälische Wilhelms-Universität in **Münster**, Research Group of Professor **H.J. Nastold**, **Habilitation**, 1979-1980 / **Lecturer** at the **University of Basel**, 1980-1983 / **Research Associate** at the **Forschungsinstitut für Mathematik (FIM) ETH Zürich**, 1981 / **Oberassistent** at the **University of Zürich**, 1982-1992 / **Associate Professor** at the **University of Zürich**, 1992-2005 / **Full Professor** at the **University of Zürich**, 2005-2010.

Research: Commutative Algebra, Algebraic Geometry, Popularization and Visualization in Mathematics.

Publications: 2 Textbooks, 84 peer reviewed articles, (87 recorded items at Mathscinet).

Directed Theses: 10 PhD Theses (2 of them co-directed), 42 Diploma/Master Theses.

Regular Teaching: **For Mathematicians:** Algebra, Commutative Algebra, Homological Algebra, Algebraic Topolgy, Algebraic Geometry, Algebraic Functions, Algebras of Differential Operators, Local Cohomology and Related Topics, Algorithmic Methods in Algebra and Algebraic Geometry. **For Secondary Teachers:** Analysis, Geometry, Number Theorie. **For Life- and Earth Scientists:** Analysis, Stochastics.

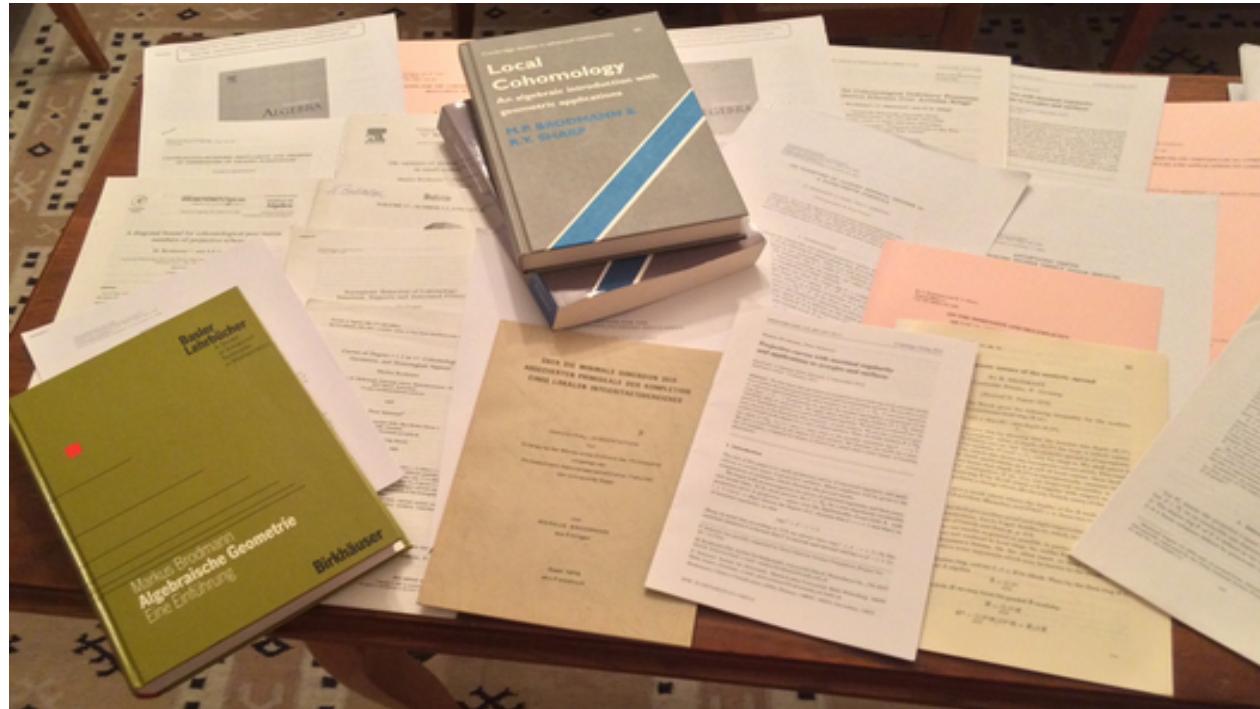
Invited Teaching: 162 Research Related Talks, 19 Short Courses, 32 Talks for General Audience.



# Internationalität im Überblick:

**Vorträge, Tagungen, Forschungsaufenthalte (19 Länder):** **Schweiz:** Basel, Zürich, Bern, Lausanne, Genf, Winterthur / **Deutschland (& DDR):** Berlin, Münster, Bonn, Oberwolfach, Paderborn, Halle, Osnabrück, Göttingen, Bremen, Regensburg, Bochum, Eisenach, Vechta, Essen, Leipzig, Freising, Passau / **Frankreich:** Rennes, Strasbourg, Luminy / **Italien:** Torino, Genua, Siena, Trento, Ferrara / **Österreich:** Innsbruck / **Schweden:** Stockholm / **Niederlande:** Utrecht, Groningen, Amsterdam / **Slowakei:** Bratislava / **England & Schottland:** Sheffield, Durham, Cambridge, Edinburgh, Exeter / **USA:** Riverside Ca., Waltham Mass., Mount Holyoke NY, East Lansing Mich. / **Mexico:** Guanajuato / **Indien:** Bombay, Bangalore, Irinjalakuda / **Iran:** Teheran / **Pakistan:** Lahore / **Türkei:** Istanbul / **Vietnam:** Hanoi, Quy Nhon, Thai Nguyen, Hué, Saigon / **Japan:** Nagoya, Kyoto / **Südkorea:** Seoul, Daejeon, Pohan, Busan / **Uganda:** Kampala, Kabale.

**Ko-Autoren und Mitarbeiter (Total 27, aus 7 Ländern):** **Schweiz:** 10 / **Deutschland (& DDR):** 3 / **England:** 2 / **USA:** 3 / **Iran:** 3 / **Vietnam:** 4 / **Südkorea:** 2.



# **Erster Sprung „über die Mauer“**

**MNG Basel (1963-1966)**  
**„Euler - Preis“ 1963**



**Berlin, DDR (1965)**  
**Schüler-“Austausch“**



# **Universität Basel: Lokal und International**

**(1966 - 1974)**

**Haus „zur Hölle“  
Mathematisches Institut**



**Alte Universität  
\* 1460 (Konzil zu Basel)**

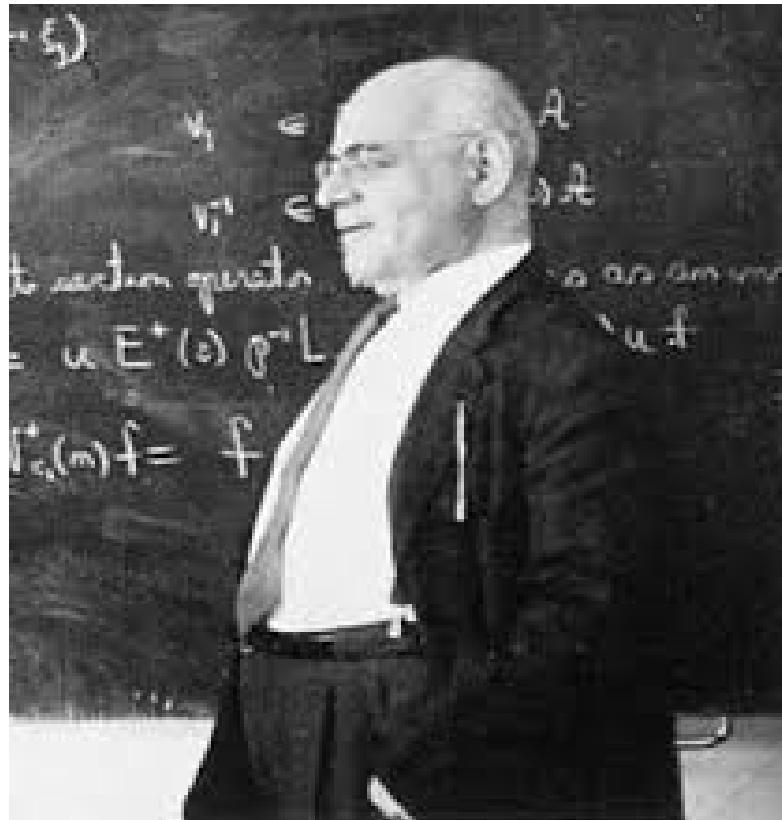


# Internationalität historisch und per Korrespondenz

## A. M. Ostrowski (1893-1986)

(mein Chef in Basel 1968-1971)

Student von David Hilbert (1862-1943) in Göttingen  
Kommilitone von Olga Tausski-Todd (1906-1995)  
Kollege von A.S. Householder (1904-1993)



David Hilbert



Olga Tausski (1932)



# Erste Zwischen - Stationen

EPFL (Lausanne) (1974-1977)



UCR (Riverside/California) (1975)



Brandeis University (Waltham/Mass.) (1978/79)



Universität Münster (Deutschland) (1977-1981)



# Internationale Drehscheibe im Schwarzwald

Mathematisches Forschungs-Institut Oberwolfach

Wahrzeichen: Boy'sche Fläche  
(= Modell der projektiven Ebene)



# Via UNIBAS und ETH an die UZH

FIM ETHZH / UNIBAS  
(1980-1982)

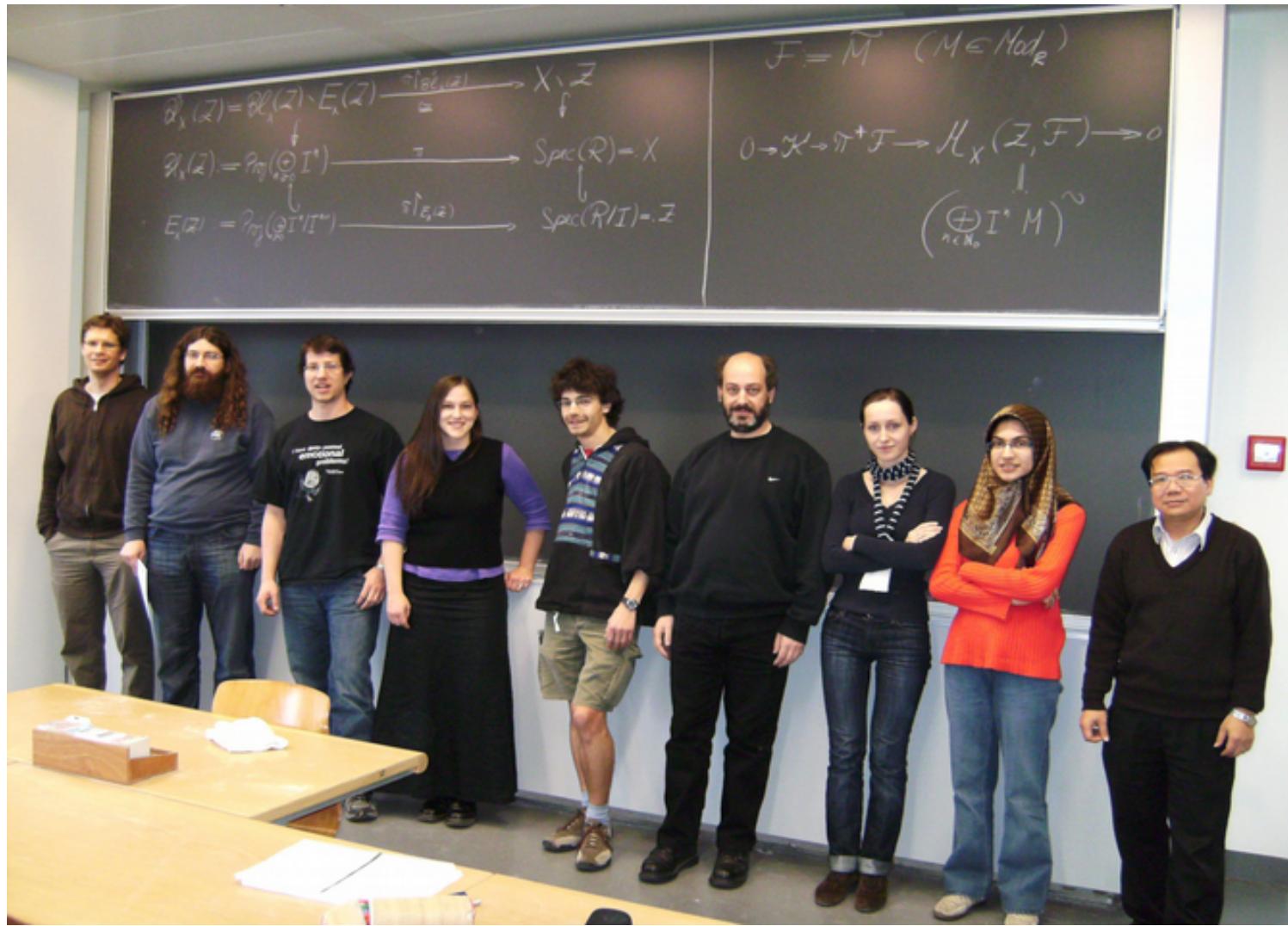


IMATH-UZH (1982-2010)



# International in Zürich – im Kleinen Rahmen

## Seminar Höhere Algebra 2008 (mit Aufblasung)



# Halle, Leipzig, Berlin

## 1965, 1979, 1990 ... 2015

Halle / Saale (Marktplatz, Roter Turm)



mit Peter Schenzel (am MF Oberwolfach)



Leipzig (Gewandhaus, MDR, Universität)



Berlin (Museuminsel mit Spree)



# Halle, Leipzig, Berlin: Publikationen

M.Brodmann, W.Vogel: ***Bounds on the cohomology and the Castelnuovo regularity of certain surfaces***, Nagoya Mathematical Journal 131, 109-126 (1993)

M.Brodmann, P.Schenzel: ***Curves of degree  $r+2$  in  $P(r)$ : Cohomological, geometric and homological aspects***, Journal of Algebra 242, 577-623 (2001)

M.Brodmann, P.Schenzel: ***On projective curves of maximal regularity***, Mathematische Zeitschrift 244, 271-289 (2003)

M.Brodmann, P.Schenzel: ***On varieties of almost minimal degree in small codimension***, Journal of Algebra 305, 789-801 (2006)

M.Brodmann, P.Schenzel: ***Arithmetic properties of projective varieties of almost minimal degree***, Journal of Algebraic Geometry 16, 347-400 (2007)

M.Brodmann, P.Schenzel: ***Projective curves with maximal regularity and applications to syzygies and surfaces***, Manuscripta Mathematica 135 (2011) 469-495

M.Brodmann, E.Park, P.Schenzel: ***On varieties of almost minimal degree II: A rank-depth formula***, Proceedings of the AMS 139 (2011) 2025-2032

M.Brodmann, P.Schenzel: ***Projective surfaces of degree  $r+1$  in projective  $r$ -space and almost non-singular projections***, Journal of Pure and Applied Algebra 216 (2012) 2241-2255

M.Brodmann, W.Lee, E.Park, P.Schenzel: ***Projective varieties of maximal sectional regularity***, Journal of Pure and Applied Algebra 221 (2017) 98-118

M.Brodmann, W.Lee, E.Park, P.Schenzel: ***On surfaces of maximal sectional regularity***, Taiwanese Journal of Mathematics 21 (2017) 549 – 567

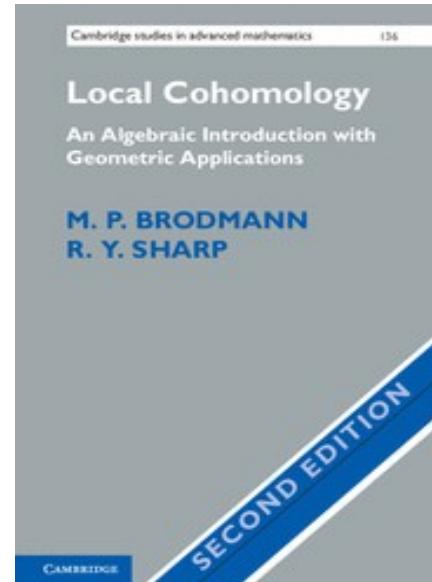
M.Brodmann, P.Schenzel: ***On families of blowups of the real affine plane: classification, isotopies and visualizations***, Journal of Symbolic Computation 104 (2021) 874 - 898

Zwei weitere Arbeiten in Vorbereitung

# **Sheffield England**

**University of Sheffield**  
**(1988 .... 2012)**

**Rodney Y. Sharp (am MF Oberwolfach)**



# Sheffield: Publikationen

M.Brodmann, R.Y.Sharp: ***Local Cohomology-An Algebraic Introduction with Geometric Applications***, Cambridge Studies in Advanced Mathematics 60, Cambridge University Press (1998) 416 pages, 5 illustrations, ISBN 0 521 37286 0.

M.Brodmann, C.Rothaus, R.Y.Sharp: ***On annihilators and associated primes of local cohomology modules***, Journal of Pure and Applied Algebra 153, 197-227 (2000)

M.Brodmann, R.Y.Sharp: ***On the dimension and the multiplicity of local cohomology modules***, Nagoya Mathematical Journal 167, 217-233 (2002)

M.Brodmann, M.Katzmann, R.Y.Sharp: ***Associated primes of graded components of local cohomology modules***, Transactions of the AMS 354, Number 11, 4261-4283 (2002)

M.Brodmann, R.Y.Sharp: ***Geometric domains with specified pseudo-dimensions***, Journal of Pure and Applied Algebra 182, 151-164 (2003)

M.Brodmann, R.Y.Sharp: ***Supporting degrees of multi-graded local cohomology modules***, Journal of Algebra 321 (2009) 450-482

M.Brodmann, R.Y.Sharp: ***Local Cohomology-An Algebraic Introduction with Geometric Applications***, Second Extended, Updated and Revised Edition, Cambridge Studies in Advanced Mathematics 163 (2012) 505 pages, 330 exercises, ISBN 9780521513630.

# Vietnam ([1979] => 1997 .... 2017)

Reisfeld am Mekong



Terrassen-Felder nördlich Thai Nguyen



Ha-Long Bay



Saigon (Ho Chi Minh City)



# IM VAST / VIASM

Institute of Mathematics VAST / Hanoi



Ngo Bao Chau (Fields-Medaille 2010)



Vietnam Institute for Advanced Study in Mathematics (VIASM) Hanoi



# In der Provinz: Quy Nhon ... Thai Nguyen

Quy Nhon University (1997, 1999)



Le The Nhan



Thai Nguyen University (2000 ... 2014)



Tee-Ernte bei Thai Nguyen



# Vietnam: Publikationen

M. Brodmann: **Cohomology of certain projective surfaces with low sectional genus and low degree**, in: D.Eisenbud (Ed) "Commutative Algebra, Algebraic Geometry and Computational Methods" International Conference Hanoi/Vietnam August 1996, 173-200, Springer (1999)

M.Brodmann, C.Matteotti, N.D.Minh: **Bounds for cohomological Hilbert functions of projective schemes over artinian rings**, Vietnam Journal of Mathematics 28:4, 345-384 (2000)

M.Brodmann: **Lectures on local cohomology – Quy Nhon 1999**, Institute of Mathematics, Hanoi (2001)

M.Brodmann, C.Matteotti, N.D.Minh: **Bounds for cohomological deficiency functions of projective schemes over artinian rings**, Vietnam Journal of Mathematics 31:1, 71-113 (2003)

M.Brodmann, LT.Nhan: **A finiteness result for associated primes of certain Ext-modules**, Communications in Algebra 36(04), 1527-1536 (2008)

M.Brodmann, M.Jahangiri, C.Linh: **Castelnuovo-Mumford regularity of deficiency modules**, Journal of Algebra 322 (2009) 12816-12838

M.Brodmann, M.Jahangiri, C.Linh; **Boundedness of cohomology**, Journal of Algebra 323 (2010) 458 - 472

M.Brodmann, C.H.Linh, M.H.Seiler: **Castelnuovo-Mumford regularity of annihilators, Ext- and Tor- modules**, in: Commutative Algebra: Expository Papers Dedicated to David Eisenbud on the Occasion of His 65th Birthday (I. Peeva, Ed.), pg. 207-236, Chapter 6; DOI 10.1007/978-1-4614-5292-8\_6, Springer Science & Business Media New York Heidelberg Dordrecht London (2013)

M.Brodmann, L.T.Nhan: **On canonical Cohen-Macaulay modules**, Journal of Algebra 371 (2012) 480-491

M.Brodmann, C.H.Linh: **Castelnuovo-Mumford regularity, postulation numbers and relation types**, Journal of Algebra 419 (2014) 124-140

M.Brodmann: **Notes on Weyl Algebras an D-Modules**, in: Four Lecture Notes on Commutative Algebra (Ed.: Nguyen Tu Cuong, Le Tuan Hoa, Ngo Viet Trung); Lecture Notes Series of the Vietnam Institute for Advanced Study in Mathematics, Volume 4 (2015) 7-97

M.Brodmann: **Notes on Weyl Algebras an D-Modules, [revised and extended version]** in: Commutative Algebra and its Interaction to Algebraic Geometry, Lecture Notes in Mathematics, Vol 2210, (2018) 1 – 117, Springer Cham.

# Süd-Korea (2006 ... 2020)

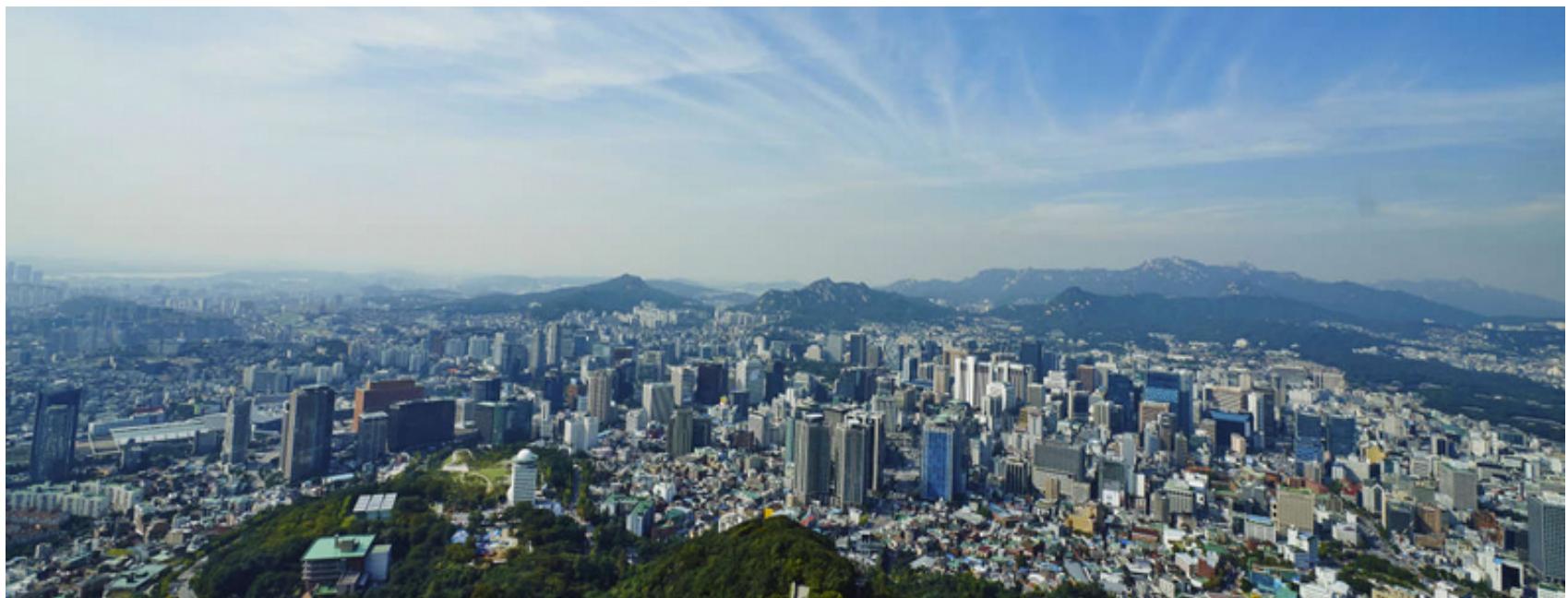
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Silla-Gräber Gyeongju (7.& 8. Jh.)



Seoul



# KU Seoul / PNU Busan

Korea University Seoul



Euisung Park (mit Sohn Juitsu)



Pukyong National University Busan



Wanseok Lee



# Südkorea: Publikationen (Überschneidung mit: Halle, Leipzig, Berlin)

M.Brodmann: *Blowing-Up!* KIAS Newsletters, Korea Institute for Advanced Study / March 1st, 2009 / pg. 40-43

M.Brodmann, E.Park: *On varieties of almost minimal degree I: secant loci of rational normal scrolls*, Journal of Pure and Applied Algebra 214 (2010) 2033-2043

M.Brodmann, E.Park, P.Schenzel: *On varieties of almost minimal degree II: A rank-depth formula*, Proceedings of the AMS 139 (2011) 2025-2032

M.Brodmann, E.Park: *On varieties of almost minimal degree III: Tangent spaces and embedding scrolls*, Journal of Pure and Applied Algebra 215 (2011) 2859-2872

M.Brodmann, E.Park: *On linear projections of quadratic varieties*, Proceedings of the American Mathematical Society, Volume 144, Number 6, June 2016, 2307-2314

M.Brodmann, W.Lee, E.Park, P.Schenzel: *Projective varieties of maximal sectional regularity*, Journal of Pure and Applied Algebra 221 (2017) 98 – 118

M.Brodmann, W.Lee, E.Park, P.Schenzel: *On surfaces of maximal sectional regularity*, Taiwanese Journal of Mathematics 21 (2017) 549 – 567

Eine weitere Arbeit in Vorbereitung.

# Indien: Bombay, Bangalore, Irinjalakuda

Tata Institute of Fundamental Research & Indian Institute of Technology, Bombay  
(2000 ... 2016)



Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore  
(2003 ... 2016)

& St. Joseph's College, Irinjalakuda  
(2003 ... 2016)



# **Uganda: Kabale (2012 - 2014)**

**Bunyonyi-See**



**Berg-Gorillas**



**Kabale University (Dozenten-Jahresfeier)**



**St. Mary's College Rushoroza**



# Indien & Uganda: Publikationen, Skripte und Präsentationen (Überschneidung mit: Vietnam)

M.Brodmann: *Strips, Tubes, Bottles, Caps, Umbrellas - a few Examples of Visualizations of Surfaces*: Bulletin of the Bombay Mathematical Colloquium 17:1-2, January 2001, 1-26 (2002) 1 - 26

M.Brodmann: **Asymptotic behaviour of cohomology: tameness, supports and associated primes**; in: S. Ghorpade, H. Srinivasan, J. Verma (Eds.), "Commutative Algebra and Algebraic Geometry" Proceedings, Joint International Meeting of the AMS and the IMS on Commutative Algebra and Algebraic Geometry, Bangalore/India, December 17-20, 2003, Contemporary Mathematics Vol 390, 31-61 (2005) 31 - 61

M.Brodmann: **Four Lectures on Local Cohomology**: in: T.Trivikraman, K.V.Geetha, Sr.Lilly P.L.(Eds),"Proceedings of the International Workshop on Commutative Algebra and Algebraic Geometry", Irinjalakuda, Kerala/India, July 18-23, 2005; (2006) 3 - 46

M.Brodmann: **Bounding cohomology of coherent sheaves over projective schemes**: Journal of Theoretical and Computational Mathematics; Vol. 2, No. 1, March 2016, 6-70

M.Brodmann: **Lectures on Weyl Algebras and D-Modules**; Notes prepared for a course, taught from 25.-28.June 2016 in the Framework of the "International Workshop on Local Cohomology" organized by the Indian Institute of Technology Bombay at St. Joseph's College Irinjalakuda, Kerala/India

M. Brodmann: **Around the Circle**; Notes based on a Course for Mathematics Teachers at High Schools in Kabale Region, held at St. Mary's College Rushoroza, Kabale, Uganda, 28. April - 2. May 2014

M.Brodmann: **Blowing-Up and its Visualization**; Presentation for a talk at the the Summer-School "Surface-Topology-in the Class Room and Beyond", Kabale University, Uganda, January 2013, organized in the framework of a North-South Cooperation between the University of Zürich and Kabale University; presented at St. Mary's College Rushoroza, Kabale/Uganda, 29. April 2014.

M. Brodmann: **Strips, Tubes, Bottles, Caps, Umbrellas - a Few Examples of Visualizations of Surfaces**; Presentation performed at the Summer School "Surface Topology-in the Class Room and Beyond" Kabale University, Uganda, January 2013, organized in the framework of a North-South Cooperation between the University of Zürich and Kabale University; presented also at St. Mary's College Rushoroza, Kabale/Uganda, 28. April 2014

M. Brodmann: **Castelnuovo-Mumford Regularity - a Survey**; Presentation for a talk at Makere University, Kampala, Uganda, at 23. January 2014 in the Framework of a North-South Cooperation between the University of Zürich and Uganda

M. Brodmann: **Why to Become a Mathematician?** Presentation used used for talks given at: the University of Thai Nguyen/Vietnam, 9. November 2013; the University of Hué, Hué/Vietnam, 6.December 2013; the Institute of Mathematics at the Vietnam Academy of Science and Technology (VAST), Hanoi/Vietnam, 18.December 2013; St. Mary's College Rushoroza, Kabale/Uganda, 1. May 2014; St. Joseph's College Irinjalakuda, Kerala/India, 28.June 2016; Sahrdaya College of Advanced Studies of Arts and Science, Kodakara, Thrissur. Kerala/India, 30.June 2016; Ho Chi Minh City University of Pedagogy, Ho Chi Minh City(Saigon)/Vietnam, 7.September 2017; Pedagogical University of Thai Nguyen, Thai Nguyen/Vietnam, 17. September 2017

M. Brodmann: **The Grasp for Infinity**; Presentation for a talk held at St. Joseph's College Irinjalakuda, Kerala/India, 22. June 2016

M. Brodmann: **Truth and Provability**; Presentation for a talk held at St. Joseph's College Irinjalakuda, Kerala/India, 24. June 2016