

# ZHEN LIN LOW

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

- **Category theory**, especially applications to foundations of mathematics in general and homotopy theory in particular.

## EDUCATION

- **Doctor of Philosophy**  
October 2012 – July 2016  
Department of Pure Mathematics and Mathematical Statistics, University of Cambridge  
Trinity Hall, Cambridge  
  
Thesis title: *Categories of spaces built from local models*  
Submitted: 29th February 2016  
Approved: 20th June 2016
- **Bachelor of Arts and Master of Mathematics**  
October 2008 – June 2012  
Emmanuel College, Cambridge  
  
*Distinction* in Part III of the Mathematical Tripos  
*1<sup>st</sup> class honours* in Parts IA, IB, and II of the Mathematical Tripos  
Part III essay topic: *Étale cohomology and Galois representations*

## PAPERS

- Cocycles in categories of fibrant objects  
13 Feb 2015, arXiv:1502.03925, 36 pp.
- From fractions to complete Segal spaces  
with Aaron Mazel-Gee. In: *Homology, Homotopy and Applications*, volume 17.1 (2015), pp. 321–338.
- Revisiting function complexes and simplicial localisation  
30 Sep 2014, arXiv:1409.8062, 23 pp.
- Internal and local homotopy theory  
30 Apr 2014, arXiv:1404.7788, 27 pp.
- The heart of a combinatorial model category  
In: *Theory and Applications of Categories*, volume 31 (2016), pp. 31–62.
- The homotopy bicategory of  $(\infty, 1)$ -categories  
1 Oct 2013, arXiv:1310.0381, 31 pp.
- Universes for category theory  
18 Apr 2013, arXiv:1304.5227, 27 pp.

## SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS

- Cambridge Commonwealth Trust Scholarship  
awarded 2012–15
- Smith–Knight / Rayleigh–Knight Prize  
awarded 2014, for the essay ‘The heart of a combinatorial model category’
- Braithwaite–Batty Scholarship  
elected 2009, re-elected 2010 and 2011  
Honorary Bachelor Scholarship  
re-elected 2012  
Braithwaite–Batty Prize  
awarded 2009, 2010, 2011, and 2012  
(These scholarships/prizes were awarded by Emmanuel College for excellence in exam results.)

## CONFERENCE TALKS

- Categories of spaces built from local models  
100<sup>th</sup> Peripatetic Seminar on Sheaves and Logic, Cambridge, UK
- Another viewpoint on cartesian theories  
Categorical Logic Workshop, 3–4 Dec 2015, Stockholm, Sweden
- Cocycles in categories of fibrant objects  
Young Topologists’ Meeting 2015, Écublens, Switzerland
- Generalising the functor of points approach  
International Category Theory Conference 2015, Aveiro, Portugal
- The heart of a combinatorial model category  
International Category Theory Conference 2014, Cambridge, UK
- Accessible categories and inaccessible cardinals  
International Category Theory Conference 2013, Sydney, Australia

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- Supervisor in *Linear Algebra; Groups, Rings and Modules; Geometry; and Complex Analysis/Methods*  
for Part IB mathematicians in Trinity Hall, 2014–15
- Supervisor in *Linear Algebra; Groups, Rings and Modules; and Geometry*  
for Part IB mathematicians in Trinity Hall, 2013–14
- Supervisor in *Vectors and Matrices; Numbers and Sets; and Groups*  
for Part IA mathematicians in Trinity Hall, 2013–14
- Supervisor in *Algebraic Geometry*  
for Part II mathematicians in Trinity College and Peterhouse, Lent 2013
- Supervisor in *Linear Algebra*  
for Part IB mathematicians in Emmanuel College, Michaelmas 2012
- Supervisor in *Category Theory*  
for Part III mathematicians, Michaelmas 2012

In Cambridge, ‘supervision’ refers to small-group teaching sessions, usually one hour per fortnight, two students per session.

## EXPOSITORY TALKS

- The method of universal instances  
Trinity Mathematical Society Symposium 2015, Cambridge, UK
- Toposes as localic and spatial groupoids  
Young Researchers in Mathematics 2013, Edinburgh, UK
- The humble arrow in mathematics  
Trinity Mathematical Society Symposium 2013, Cambridge, UK

## LOCAL SEMINAR TALKS

- Another viewpoint on cartesian theories 24 Nov 2015
- Homological algebra as a stable homotopy theory 1 Sep 2015
- Small sheaves on large sites 18 Aug 2015
- The functor of points 29 Jan 2015
- A non-abelian Verdier hypercovering theorem 2 Dec 2014
- Sets for category theory 16 Oct 2014
- Internal homotopy theory via classical completeness 6 May 2014
- Introduction to simplicial homotopy theory 1 May 2014
- Model structures and derived functors, minus homotopy 14 Nov 2013
- The homotopy bicategory of  $(\infty, 1)$ -categories 15 Oct 2013
- Universes for category theory 7 May 2013
- Logic in a topos 24 Jan 2013
- What is ... a topos? 17 Jan 2013
- Fibred categories and descent 25 Oct 2012
- Monadicity and descent 16 Mar 2012
- Bicartesian closed categories and logic 1 Dec 2011

## CONFERENCES AND WORKSHOPS ATTENDED

- 100<sup>th</sup> Peripatetic Seminar on Sheaves and Logic  
21–22 May 2016, Cambridge, UK
- Categorical Logic Workshop  
3–4 Dec 2015, Stockholm, Sweden
- Young Topologists' Meeting  
6–10 Jul 2015, Écublens, Switzerland

- International Category Theory Conference  
14–19 Jun 2015, Aveiro, Portugal
- British Mathematical Colloquium & British Applied Mathematics Colloquium  
30 Mar – 2 Apr 2015, Cambridge, UK
- Yorkshire and Midlands Category Theory Seminar  
19 Mar 2015, Sheffield, UK
- International Category Theory Conference  
29 Jun – 5 Jul 2014, Cambridge, UK
- International Category Theory Conference  
7–13 Jul 2013, Sydney, Australia
- Applications of Category Theory Workshop  
2–5 Jul 2013, Sydney, Australia
- Young Researchers in Mathematics  
17–20 Jun 2013, Edinburgh, UK
- British Mathematical Colloquium  
25–28 Mar 2013, Sheffield, UK
- 94<sup>th</sup> Peripatetic Seminar on Sheaves and Logic  
25 Mar 2013, Sheffield, UK
- 93<sup>rd</sup> Peripatetic Seminar on Sheaves and Logic  
14–15 Apr 2012, Cambridge, UK

## SERVICE

- Interviewer for undergraduate admissions in mathematics  
Trinity Hall, December 2014

## LANGUAGES

- English (native), Japanese, and Chinese