

# Robert Brijder

# Curriculum Vitae

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## EDUCATION

- **Ph.D. student in Computer Science** Sep. 2004 – Aug. 2008  
Received Ph.D. in Dec. 2008.  
Ph.D. student in Theoretical Computer Science at Leiden Institute of Advanced Computer Science (LIACS). Main research topics are: The formal study of Gene Assembly in Ciliates, Membrane Computing, and Self-Assembly.  
Ph.D. thesis title: *Models of Natural Computation: Gene Assembly and Membrane Systems*. Promotor: Prof. G. Rozenberg, Copromotor: Dr. H.J. Hoogeboom.
- **M.Sc. in Computer Science** Sep. 2000 – Apr. 2004  
Received M.Sc. (Drs.) in Computer Science at LIACS in April 2004.  
Graduated within the Theoretical Computer Science group of Prof. G. Rozenberg. Cum laude, grade point average 9.0.  
M.Sc. thesis title: *Characterizing Reducibility of Gene Patterns in Ciliates*. Supervisors: Prof. G. Rozenberg and Dr. H.J. Hoogeboom.
- **University Propaedeuse in Mathematics** Sep. 1999 – Aug. 2000  
Finished first year (“Propedeuse”) of Mathematics at Mathematical Institute of Leiden University. Grade point average 8.5.
- **High school** Sep. 1993 – Aug. 1999  
Zandevelt College on VWO level in 's-Gravenzande, The Netherlands.

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- **Post-doc in Computer Science** Sep. 2008 – present  
Post-doctoral researcher at LIACS within the the research group lead by Prof. H. Blockeel. Main research topic is graph grammar inference.
- **Teaching Assistant** at LIACS Sep. 2004 – Dec. 2009  
Courses:  
Datastructuren (Datastructures) in each Fall of '04–'08,  
Molecular Computational Biology in each Spring of '05–'08, and  
Fundamentele Informatica 2 (Fundamental Computer Science 2) in Fall of '09.
- **Internship Philips Medical Systems** Jan. 2003 – Jul. 2003  
Performed research on MRI techniques, specifically on Fiber Tracking, at Philips Medical Systems in Best, The Netherlands. This research resulted in a patent, see publication list.

## OTHER

- **Language skills**  
Dutch: native speaker,  
English: fluent.

## Publications

### Patents

- [1] *High angular resolution diffusion weighted MRI*.  
 Inventors: F.G.C. Hoogenraad, R.F.J. Holthuisen, and R. Brijder.  
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### Journal papers

- [1] F. Bernardini, R. Brijder, M. Cavaliere, G. Franco, and H.J. Hoogeboom G. Rozenberg. On aggregation in multiset-based self-assembly of graphs. To appear in *Natural Computing*, 2010.
- [2] F. Bernardini, R. Brijder, G. Rozenberg, and C. Zandron. Multiset-based self-assembly of graphs. *Fundamenta Informaticae*, 75(1-4):49–75, 2007.
- [3] R. Brijder, M. Cavaliere, A. Riscos-Núñez, G. Rozenberg, and D. Sburlan. Communication membrane systems with active symports. *Journal of Automata, Languages and Combinatorics*, 11(3):241–261, 2006.
- [4] R. Brijder, M. Cavaliere, A. Riscos-Núñez, G. Rozenberg, and D. Sburlan. Membrane systems with proteins embedded in membranes. *Theoretical Computer Science*, 404:26–39, 2008.
- [5] R. Brijder and H.J. Hoogeboom. The fibers and range of reduction graphs in ciliates. *Acta Informatica*, 45:383–402, 2008.
- [6] R. Brijder and H.J. Hoogeboom. Perfectly quilted rectangular snake tilings. *Theoretical Computer Science*, 410:1486–1494, 2009.
- [7] R. Brijder and H.J. Hoogeboom. Combining overlap and containment for gene assembly in ciliates. *Theoretical Computer Science*, 411:897–905, 2010.
- [8] R. Brijder and H.J. Hoogeboom. Extended strings and graphs for simple gene assembly. *Theoretical Computer Science*, 411:730–738, 2010.
- [9] R. Brijder, H.J. Hoogeboom, and M. Muskulus. Strategies of loop recombination in ciliates. *Discrete Applied Mathematics*, 156:1736–1753, 2008.
- [10] R. Brijder, H.J. Hoogeboom, and G. Rozenberg. Reducibility of gene patterns in ciliates using the breakpoint graph. *Theoretical Computer Science*, 356:26–45, 2006.
- [11] R. Brijder, H.J. Hoogeboom, and G. Rozenberg. Reduction graphs from overlap graphs for gene assembly in ciliates. *International Journal of Foundations of Computer Science*, 20:271–291, 2009.
- [12] M. Muskulus, D. Besozzi, R. Brijder, P. Cazzaniga, S. Houweling, D. Pescini, and G. Rozenberg. Cycles and communicating classes in membrane systems and molecular dynamics. *Theoretical Computer Science*, 372(2-3):242–266, 2007.
- [13] M. Muskulus and R. Brijder. Complexity of bio-computation: symbolic dynamics in membrane systems. *International Journal of Foundations of Computer Science*, 17(1):147–165, 2006.

## Peer-reviewed conference and workshop papers

- [1] H. Blockeel and R. Brijder. Learning non-confluent NLC graph grammar rules. In K. Ambos-Spies, B. Löwe, and W. Merkle, editors, *5th Conference on Computability in Europe (CiE 2009), Mathematical Theory and Computational Practice, Abstract Booklet*, pages 60–69, 2009.
- [2] R. Brijder, M. Cavaliere, A. Riscos-Núñez, G. Rozenberg, and D. Sburlan. Membrane systems with external control. In H.J. Hoogeboom, G. Paun, G. Rozenberg, and A. Salomaa, editors, *Workshop on Membrane Computing*, volume 4361 of *Lecture Notes in Computer Science*, pages 215–232. Springer, 2006.
- [3] R. Brijder, M. Cavaliere, A. Riscos-Núñez, G. Rozenberg, and D. Sburlan. Membrane systems with marked membranes. *Electronic Notes Theoretical Computer Science*, 171(2):25–36, 2007.
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- [12] R. Brijder, M. Langille, and I. Petre. A string-based model for simple gene assembly. In E. Csuhaj-Varjú and Z. Ésik, editors, *Fundamentals of Computation Theory (FCT) 2007*, volume 4639 of *Lecture Notes in Computer Science*, pages 161–172. Springer, 2007.

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### **Book chapters**

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- [2] R. Brijder and H.J. Hoogeboom. Reality-and-desire in ciliates. In A. Condon, D. Harel, J.N. Kok, A. Salomaa, and E. Winfree, editors, *Algorithmic Bioprocesses*, Natural Computing Series, pages 99–115. Springer, 2009.