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## EDUCATION

### Swiss Institute of Technology Lausanne (EPFL), Lausanne, Switzerland

- AI4Science Potdoctoral Fellow Feb 2024 – Present

### Tel Aviv University, Tel Aviv Jaffa, Israel

- Ph.D. in Theoretical Particle Physics Mar 2018 – Oct 2023
  - Advisor: Prof. Tomer Volansky
  - Focus: New Directions in Particle Physics - From the Early Universe to Artificial Intelligence
  - The research proposal involves research in both early Universe Cosmology and particle physics, as well as studying the fundamentals of Deep Learning (DL) using tools from theoretical physics.

### Institute for Advanced Study, Princeton, New Jersey, USA

Sep 2017 – Apr 2019

- Visiting Graduate Student

### Tel Aviv University, Tel Aviv Jaffa, Israel

- M.Sc. in Theoretical Particle Physics Jan 2016 – Jan 2018
  - Magna Cum Laude
  - Advisor: Prof. Tomer Volansky
  - M.Sc. Thesis: "Light Dark Matter from Leptogenesis"
- B.Sc. in Physics Oct 2011 – Jan 2016
- B.Sc. in Electrical Engineering Oct 2011 – Jan 2016
  - Advisor: Dr. Yan Benhammou
  - Final Project: "Signal Readout Interface for A Plasma Based Particle Detector"

### Stanford University, Online Courses

- Machine Learning Dec 2017 – Jan 2018
- Convolutional Neural Networks for Visual Recognition

### Eylon High School, Holon, Israel

- Gifted Students Program Oct 1996 – Oct 2006
  - A designated class for gifted children from 3rd grade till high school graduation.

## AWARDS & SCHOLARSHIPS

- Inaugural class of recipients of the Milner Foundation scholarship for Ph.D. students, under the "70 for 70 Fellowships" Program, Tel Aviv University 2019– present
- Ph.D. students scholarship, Tel Aviv University 2018– present
- Selim and Rachel Benin Scholarship for Excellent Graduate Students 2017
- Masters students scholarship, Tel Aviv University 2016– 2018
- Summer research program scholarship, Tel Aviv University 2015

## PUBLICATIONS

### SUBMITTED PAPERS

- N. Levi and Y. Oz, "The Universal Statistical Structure and Scaling Laws of Chaos and Turbulence", Submitted to JSTAT.

### PUBLISHED PAPERS

*Primary contributions (authors are listed in alphabetical order as per the standard in particle physics):*

- Jack Miller, Patrick Gleeson, Charles O'Neill, Thang Bui and N. Levi, "Measuring Sharpness in Grokking", *Accepted to ICLR 2024 - Bridging the Gap Between Practice and Theory in Deep Learning (BGPT) Workshop*.
- N. Levi, A. Beck and Y. Bar-Sinai, "Grokking in Linear Estimators – A Solvable Model that Groks without Understanding" *Accepted to ICLR 2024, arXiv: 2310.16441*.

- N. Levi and Y. Oz, “The Underlying Scaling Laws and Universal Statistical Structure of Complex Datasets ” *arXiv: 2306.14975* .
- T. Jules, G. Brener, T. Kachman, N. Levi and Y. Bar-Sinai, “Charting the Topography of the Neural Network Landscape with Thermal-Like Noise ” *arXiv: 2304.01335* .
- N. Levi, I. Bloch, M. Freytsis, and T. Volansky, “Noise Injection as a Probe of Deep Learning Dynamics” *Accepted to ICLR 2023 - Physics4ML Workshop*, *arXiv: 2210.13599* .
- N. Levi, I. Bloch, M. Freytsis, and T. Volansky, “Noise Node Regularization for Robust Learning” *Accepted to ICLR 2023*, *arXiv: 2210.15764* .
- N. Levi, T. Opferkuch, D. Redigolo, “The Supercooling Window at Weak and Strong Coupling” url: [https://doi.org/10.1007/JHEP02\(2023\)125](https://doi.org/10.1007/JHEP02(2023)125), *Journal of High Energy Physics* , vol. 2023, no. 2, Feb 2023.
- N. Craig, N. Levi, A. Mariotti, D. Redigolo, “Ripples in spacetime from broken supersymmetry”, url: [https://doi.org/10.1007/JHEP02\(2021\)184](https://doi.org/10.1007/JHEP02(2021)184), *Journal of High Energy Physics* , vol. 2021, no. 2, Feb 2021.
- E.D. Kramer, E. Kuflik, N. Levi, N.J. Outmezguine and J.T. Ruderman, “Heavy Thermal Dark Matter from a New Collision Mechanism ”, url: <https://link.aps.org/doi/10.1103/PhysRevLett.126.081802>, *Phys. Rev. Lett.* , vol. 126, iss. 8 no. 1, Feb 2021.
- A. Falkowski, E. Kuflik, N. Levi and T. Volansky, “Light Dark Matter from Leptogenesis”, *arXiv: 1712.07652*, *Phys. Rev. D*, vol. 99, no. 1, Jan 2019.

*Contributions to white papers and as part of larger collaborations:*

- R. Caldwell, Y. Cui, H. Guo, N. Levi, V. Mandic, A. Mariotti et al., “Detection of Early-Universe Gravitational Wave Signatures and Fundamental Physics”, *arXiv: 2203.07972*, Mar 2022.

## INVITED TALKS

## SEMINARS

- Vrije Universiteit Brussel - High Energy Theory Group Seminar: “Charting the Topography of the Neural Network Landscape with Thermal-Like Noise,” Nov 2023.
- CERN CMS ML Innovation Group Seminar: “The Noise Injection Phase Diagram, Deep Learning Dynamics & Implicit Regularization,” Jun 2023.
- Tel Aviv University - Particle Physics Seminar: “Charting the Topography of the Neural Network Landscape with Thermal-Like Noise ,” Mar 2023.
- Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory - HEP-ML Talk on: “The Noise Injection Phase Diagram, Deep Learning Dynamics & Implicit Regularization,” Mar 2023.
- Berkeley Center for Theoretical Physics - 4D Seminar on: “Cosmological Phase Transitions - From Fundamental Theory to Detectable Signals,” Mar 2023.
- Second EuCAPT Annual Symposium - Lightning Talk on: “The supercooling window at weak and strong coupling,” May 2022.
- LIGO/VIRGO/KAGRA Collaboration - Phase Transitions Group Seminar on: “The supercooling window at weak and strong coupling,” Dec 2021.
- INFN - Sezione di Firenze, Italy - Particle Physics Seminar on: “Exceptionally Heavy Thermal Dark Matter,” Dec 2019.
- Tel Aviv University, Israel - Student Seminar on: “Light Dark Matter from Leptogenesis,” Jun 2017.

## TEACHING

**Physics TA**, Tel-Aviv University,

Oct 2015 – Mar 2020

- Lab Instructor, “*Physics Lab b*”, Prof. Roy Beck, Spring 2020-2022
- Teaching Assistant, “*Numerical Methods for Physicists*”, Prof. Dr. Tomer Volansky, Winter 2019-2023
- Grading Exercises for “*Advanced Electromagnetism*”.
- Grading Exercises for “*Physics II for Chemistry Students*”.
- Grading Exercises for “*Physics II for Engineering Students*”.

## MILITARY

**IDF Strategic Planning Branch**, Rank - Lieutenant. 2007– 2011

- Strategic planning officer

## LANGUAGES

- Hebrew: Native language.

- English: Fluent (speaking, reading, writing).

## SKILLS

MATLAB, Mathematica, Python, C.

## REFERENCES

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- **Professor Yaron Oz**  
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