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EDUCATION	Ph.D., Physics , Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, MA, USA Dissertation Advisor: Prof. Scott Hughes Dissertation Title: <i>Probes of strong-field gravity</i> May 2012 B.S., Physics , California Institute of Technology, Pasadena, CA, USA Degree conferred with honor. Senior Thesis Advisors: Dr. Patrick Sutton and Prof. Alan Weinstein June 2006	
EMPLOYMENT	Assistant Professor , University of Mississippi, Oxford, MS USA Senior Postdoctoral Researcher , Caltech, Pasadena, CA USA NASA Einstein Fellow , Cornell, Ithaca NY, USA Research and Teaching Assistant , MIT, Cambridge MA, USA Teaching Assistant , Caltech, Pasadena, CA, USA Summer Research Fellow , Caltech, Pasadena, CA, USA	August 2018–Present September 2015–August 2018 September 2012–August 2015 September 2006–May 2012 Fall 2004, Spring 2005 June–September 2003/2005
RESEARCH INTERESTS	General relativity (GR), gravitation, and astrophysical phenomena which can elucidate gravity. One major theme is pushing numerical and analytical gravitational-wave (GW) predictions to the precision frontier in advance of next-generation observatories. A second major theme is using GWs to test GR against beyond-GR models, in both theory-independent and theory-dependent models. This involves numerical relativity and renormalization methods applied to specific effective field models for beyond-GR theories.	
HONORS AND AWARDS	Sloan Research Fellowship , Alfred P. Sloan Foundation, CAREER Award , NSF Einstein Postdoctoral Fellow , NASA Henry Kendall Teaching Award , Massachusetts Institute of Technology Upperclass Merit Scholarship , California Institute of Technology	2023–2025 2021–2026 2012–2015 2011 2005–2006
TEACHING EXPERIENCE	Assistant Professor , University of Mississippi Phys. 213, General physics I Phys. 401, Electromagnetism I Phys. 402, Electromagnetism II Phys. 436, Intro to cosmology	Spring 2021 Falls 2019–2022 Springs 2019–2021 Fall 2023

Phys. 463/4, Senior research project	Fall 2020, Spring 2021, Fall 2023
Phys. 503/630, Graduate reading course	Spring 2019, Falls 2020–2021
Phys. 709, Graduate classical dynamics I	Fall 2018
Phys. 721, Graduate electrodynamics I	Springs 2022–2023
Phys. 722, Graduate electrodynamics II	Falls 2022–2023
Phys. 750, General relativity II	Spring 2020

Guest Lecturer, California Institute of Technology

Ph236, General relativity	Fall 2017
Ph237, Gravitational Waves	Spring 2016

Guest Lecturer, Massachusetts Institute of Technology

8.901, Graduate Astrophysics I	Spring 2011
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Teaching Assistant, Massachusetts Institute of Technology

8.942, Cosmology	Fall 2011
8.901, Graduate Astrophysics I	Spring 2011
8.286, The Early Universe	Fall 2009

Teaching Assistant, California Institute of Technology

Ph 7, Nuclear and Quantum Physics Lab	Spring 2005
Ph 5, Analog Electronics for Physicists	Fall 2004

MENTORING/
SUPERVISION**Postdoctoral researchers**

Károly Csukás	Fall 2021–present
José Tomás Gálvez Gherzi	Fall 2019–Spring 2021
Now faculty at Universidad de Ingeniería y Tecnología, Peru	

Graduate students

David Bronicki, University of Mississippi	Fall 2019–Summer 2023
Subhayu Bagchi, University of Mississippi	Fall 2019–present
Aniket Khairnar, University of Mississippi	Fall 2019–present
Akshay Khadse, University of Mississippi	Fall 2018–present
Lorena Magaña Zertuche, University of Mississippi	Fall 2018–present
Joe Rivest, University of Mississippi	Fall 2018–present
Sashwat Tanay, University of Mississippi	Fall 2018–Summer 2022
Now a postdoc at LUTH, Meudon, France	
Maria (Masha) Okounkova, Caltech	Fall 2015–Summer 2019
Now faculty at Pasadena City College	
Baoyi Chen, Caltech	Fall 2016–Summer 2018

Undergraduate students

Wayne Zhao, Harvard	Summer 2016
Now a graduate student at Princeton	

PROFESSIONAL
ACTIVITIES,
OUTREACH, AND
SERVICE

LISA Consortium, Full member	2020–Present
UMiss LISA Group leader	2020–Present
Simulating eXtreme Spacetimes collaboration	2015–Present
Executive committee member	2018–Present
American Physical Society, member	2010–Present
Division of Gravitational Physics	
Secretary/Treasurer	2023–2026
Executive Committee Member-at-Large	2016–2019
Division of Astrophysics	
Conference organizer	
Nonlinear Aspects of General Relativity, Princeton PCTS	October 2023
Numerical Relativity Community Summer School, ICERM	August 2022
Week-long international summer school, 150 participants	
Workshop on New frontiers in strong gravity, Benasque	July 2022
Two week international workshop, 100 participants	
Workshop on Numerical Relativity beyond General Relativity, Benasque	June 2018
Week-long international workshop, 59 participants	
34 th Pacific Coast Gravity Meeting (PCGM), Caltech	March 2018
Two-day conference, ~ 125 participants	
Workshop on Unifying Tests of General Relativity, Caltech	July 2016
Three day workshop, 52 participants	
Seminar organizer	
TAPIR seminar, Caltech	Fall 2015–Spring 2018
General Relativity Informal Tea-Time Series (GRITTS), MIT	Fall 2011–Spring 2012
MKI Journal Club, MIT	Fall 2007–Spring 2010
Conference session chair; Judge for best student speaker award	
April APS meeting, NY, NY	April 2022
Midwest relativity meeting, Grand Rapids, MI	October 2019
April APS meeting, Columbus, OH	April 2018
34 th Pacific Coast Gravity Meeting (PCGM), Caltech	March 2018
33 rd Pacific Coast Gravity Meeting (PCGM), UCSB	March 2017
“April” APS meeting, Washington D.C.	January 2017
32 nd Pacific Coast Gravity Meeting (PCGM), CSU Fullerton	April 2016
Theoretical Astrophysics in Southern California (TASC), CSU Fullerton	November 2015
Journal referee	
American Journal of Physics, Classical and Quantum Gravity, Journal of Cosmology and Astroparticle Physics, Journal of Open Source Software, General Relativity and Gravitation, Monthly Notices of the Royal Astronomical Society, Physics Letters B, Physical Review D, Physical Review Letters, Physical Review X, Reviews of Modern Physics, The Astrophysical Journal Letters, The Physics Teacher	

Agency work

Reviewer for NSF, NASA

Outreach

Oxford Science Café	April 2019
Lecture: “The truth about black holes”	
Guest on the <i>Starts With a Bang</i> podcast	March 25, 2019
Episode 42: Black holes and gravitation	
Invited speaker for Latin American Webinar on Physics	March 13, 2019
Webinar 75: “Testing Einstein with numerical relativity”	
Caltech astronomy public lecture series speaker	March 2018
Lecture: “The truth about black holes”	
Astronomy on Tap public lecture series speaker and volunteer	2016–2018
Close to a monthly basis	
Caltech astronomy public lecture series panelist and emcee	2016–2018
Approximately every three months	
Invited guest lecture on black holes and gravitational waves	November 2017
<i>Science of Space and Time</i> , Hampshire College	
Invited video Q&A session, public high school physics class	June 2017
<i>The Nova Project</i> school, Seattle	
Guest on <i>The Titanium Physicists Podcast</i>	
Episode 80: Picturing the Bach Hole	August 21, 2019
Episode 64: The edges of Einstein	April 25, 2016
Episode 62: Black Bells	February 1, 2016
Quora Q&A Session on gravitational waves and first detection	February 17, 2016
83.9k+ views, 20.8k+ followers	
Invited guest host, public screening of <i>COSMOS</i> with Q&A,	March/June 2014
Science Cabaret/Cornell	
Invited public talk at <i>Frontiers of Cornell Astronomy</i> ,	November 2013
Cornell Friends of Astronomy	
Invited video chat, <i>Topics in Physics</i> course,	July 2013
Stanford Education Program for Gifted Youth	

COMPUTER SKILLS Expert in MATHEMATICA. Proficient in C/C++, Python, Bash, Javascript. Experience in Java, Haskell. Proficient at *nix and HPC. Markup languages: L^AT_EX, HTML, CSS, Markdown.

Software—Most contributions can be found at <https://github.com/duetosymmetry>. Member of the *Simulating eXtreme Spacetimes* (SXS) collaboration, contributor to the Spectral Einstein Code (SpEC). Member of the *Black Hole Perturbation Toolkit*. Author of `qnm` python package (<https://github.com/duetosymmetry/qnm>). Core collaborator on xACT (<http://xact.es>) abstract tensor calculus package for MATHEMATICA. Coauthor of xTERIOR package for exterior differential geometry under xACT. Co-maintainer of community contributions at <http://contrib.xact.es>. Developed `arXiv-keys` browser extension/add-on for Chrome/Firefox. Author of `orcidlink` and coauthor of `gridpapers` packages for L^AT_EX.

INVITED TALKS

49. UMass Amherst, Amherst Center for Fundamental Interactions seminar	September 2023
48. Albert Einstein Institute, “Connecting the Dots” panel discussion	June 2023
47. Queen Mary Univ. of London, Gravitational memory workshop	June 2023
46. Utah State University, Theoretical Physics Talks,	March 2023
45. Iowa State, Physics and astronomy department colloquium,	October 2022
44. UT Austin, Weinberg Institute seminar,	October 2022
43. Vanderbilt, Physics and astronomy department colloquium,	September 2022
42. ICERM, Advances in CS Classical and Quantum Gravity,	May 2022
41. Flatiron CCA, Ringdown workshop, invited overview talk,	February 2022
40. DAMTP (University of Cambridge), HEP/GR colloquium,	January 2022
39. SISSA, Current challenges in gravitational physics workshop,	April 2021
38. Flatiron CCA, Gravitational wave astronomy group seminar,	January 2021
37. University of Birmingham, astrophysics seminar	September 2020
36. Albert Einstein Institute, ACR division seminar	July 2020
35. Black Hole Perturbation Toolkit, Spring 2020 workshop	May 2020
34. American Physical Society Meeting	April 2020
33. UVA, physics department colloquium	November 2019
32. UT Dallas, physics department colloquium	October 2019
31. Northwestern University, CIERA astrophysics seminar	May 2019
30. ETH-ITS Zurich, “New horizons for gravity” workshop	May 2018
29. UC San Diego, astrophysics seminar	March 2018
28. UC Berkeley, 4D particle physics seminar	March 2018
27. Kyoto University, YKIS2018a Symposium	February 2018
26. Oakland University physics seminar	February 2018
25. University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee gravity seminar	January 2018
24. Caltech/JPL Gravitational-Wave (CaJAGWR) seminar	January 2018
23. ICN UNAM, Relativity seminar	December 2017
22. University of Mississippi, Astrophysics seminar	November 2017
21. University of Florida, Astrophysics seminar	November 2017
20. University of Nottingham, Mathematical Physics seminar	July 2017
19. Sapienza University of Rome, New Frontiers in Gravitational-Wave Astrophysics	June 2017
18. Rochester Institute of Technology, CCRG seminar	March 2017
17. Penn State, IGC seminar	March 2017
16. University of Mississippi, Strong Gravity/Binary Dynamics workshop	February/March 2017
15. SUNY Stony Brook, “The universe through gravitational waves”	December 2016
14. University of Pennsylvania, New Frontiers in Gravitational Radiation workshop	December 2016
13. Cambridge MA, Event Horizon Telescope collaboration meeting	November/December 2016
12. Northwestern University CIERA, “Fellows at the Frontiers”	August/September 2016
11. Princeton University, GR@100++ panel discussion	April 2016
10. Cambridge MA, Einstein fellows symposium	October 2014

9. Perimeter Institute, Strong gravity seminar October 2014
8. Cornell University, Friends of astronomy outreach event November 2013
7. Cambridge MA, Einstein fellows symposium October 2013
6. SUNY Geneseo, Physics colloquium October 2013
5. University of Maryland, UMD gravity seminar October 2013
4. Yale University, YCAA seminar September 2013
3. Kyoto University, YITP long-term workshop June 2013
2. Cambridge MA, Einstein fellows symposium October 2012
1. Cornell University, Relativity lunch November 2011

CONTRIBUTED
TALKS (SELECTED)

22. American Physical Society Meeting April 2023
21. LISA Symposium XIV July 2022
20. American Physical Society Meeting April 2021
19. American Physical Society Meeting April 2019
18. American Physical Society Meeting April 2018
17. Pacific Coast Gravity Meeting March 2017
16. American Physical Society Meeting ~~April~~ January 2017
15. Testing Gravity 2017 January 2017
14. 21st International meeting on GR (GR21) July 2016
13. American Physical Society Meeting April 2016
12. Eastern Gravity Meeting May 2015
11. American Physical Society Meeting April 2015
10. NEB 16 Recent developments in gravity September 2014
9. American Physical Society Meeting April 2014
8. XXVII Texas symposium on relativistic astrophysics December 2013
7. 20th International meeting on GR (GR20) July 2013
6. Eastern Gravity Meeting June 2013
5. American Physical Society Meeting April 2013
4. Caltech TAPIR Seminar December 2011
3. Eastern Gravity Meeting June 2011
2. American Physical Society Meeting April 2011
1. American Physical Society Meeting April 2010

REFERENCES

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