

Education

Stanford University	(expected) 2019 - 2024
PhD in Physics (advisor: Natalia Toro)	
Oxford University (New College)	2018 - 2019
MSc in Mathematical and Theoretical Physics with distinction	
Cambridge University (St. John's College)	2017 – 2018
MASt in Mathematics with distinction	
Massachusetts Institute of Technology	2013 – 2017
BS in Physics and Mathematics	2020 2021
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Publications

2112.02104	Probing Invisible Vector Meson Decays with the NA64 and LDMX Experiments P. Schuster, N. Toro, K. Zhou, Phys. Rev. D (2022)
2106.09033	Stellar Shocks From Dark Matter Asteroid Impacts A. Das, S. A. R. Ellis, P. Schuster, K. Zhou, Phys. Rev. Lett. (2022)
2007.15656	Heterodyne Broadband Detection of Axion Dark Matter A. Berlin, R. T. D'Agnolo, S. A. R. Ellis, K. Zhou, Phys. Rev. D (2021)
1912.11048	Axion Dark Matter Detection by Superconducting Resonant Frequency Conversion A. Berlin, R. T. D'Agnolo, S. A. R. Ellis, C. Nantista, J. Neilson, P. Schuster, S. Tantawi, N. Toro, K. Zhou, JHEP (2020)
1704.06266	Casimir Meets Poisson: Improved Quark/Gluon Discrimination with Counting Observables C. Frye, A. Larkoski, J. Thaler, K. Zhou, JHEP (2017)
1704.05456	Generalized Fragmentation Functions for Fractal Jet Observables B. Elder, M. Procura, J. Thaler, W. Wallewijn, K. Zhou, JHEP (2017)
1703.04722	Minimum Energetic Cost to Maintain a Target Nonequilibrium State J. Horowitz, K. Zhou, J. England, Phys. Rev. E (2017)

Fellowships and Awards

NSF Graduate Research Fellowship	2017 - 2022
Marshall Scholarship	2017 - 2019
Demuth Prize, New College	2019
Dirac Prize, St. John's College	2018
Finalist, Hertz Fellowship	2017
Joel Matthew Orloff Award for Outstanding Research, MIT	2017

Winner, USA Junior Mathematical Olympiad	2011
Talks	
Probing Dark Sectors With Invisible Vector Meson Decays Phenomenology 2022 Symposium APS April Meeting 2022 ILC Workshop on Potential Experiments (ILCX2021)	5/2022 4/2022 10/2021
Searching for Ultraheavy and Ultralight Dark Matter SLAC Theory Seminar	3/2022
Stellar Shocks From Dark Asteroids 24th International Conference on Particle Physics and Cosmology (COSMO'21) APS Division of Particles & Fields Meeting (DPF21) Phenomenology 2021 Symposium	8/2021 7/2021 5/2021
Heterodyne Detection of Axion Dark Matter Virtual Axion Institute	8/2020
Outreach	
 U.S. Physics Olympiad Wrote and edited the largest physics competition in the United States (6,000 participant) Released 1,000 pages of original learning materials, used by students around the world Taught classes on problem solving and lab skills to finalists at annual summer camps Intensively trained team to represent the U.S. at the 2021 International Physics Olympic leading to its first ever 5 gold medal finish 	ŕ
Physics StackExchange	2014 - 2020
 Wrote answers on topics ranging from everyday physics to quantum field theory Total of over 1,000 answers with 2 million total views 	
Splash	2013 – 2019
 Spoke to high school students at annual Splash events hosted at MIT, Oxford, and State Taught classes on quantum cryptography, dimensional analysis, chirality, and particle ph 	
Press coverage	2022
Participated in several interviews for "Stellar Shocks From Dark Matter Asteroid Impact	ts"

2016, 2017

2012, 2013

Honorable Mention, Putnam Mathematical Competition

(Altmetric score of 200+, in top 1% of PRL outputs)

Gold Medal, International Physics Olympiad