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## EDUCATION

- March 2016 **Doctor of Philosophy in Physics and Astronomy (Quantum Information)**  
Expected *University of Waterloo*  
Advisor: Andrew Childs  
Thesis: The computational power of many-body systems
- June 2011 **Bachelor of Science**  
*University of Washington*  
Majors: Computer Science, Mathematics, and Physics  
GPA: 3.89

## HONORS AND AWARDS

- 2011 - 2015 **Ontario Trillium Scholarship**  
Full funding by the province of Ontario for graduate studies by international students
- 2007 - 2011 **University of Washington Dean's List**
- 2007 **Washington State Scholar**  
Full funding for Washington state residents to universities in Washington state

## Teaching Experience

- Fall 2012 **Teaching Assistant** *University of Waterloo*  
Teaching assistant for introductory physics course
- 2009-2010 **Tutor for CLUE** *University of Washington*  
University provided tutor for walk in assistance on undergraduate physics courses

## PUBLICATIONS

### Preprints

- October 2015 **The Clifford group forms a unitary 3-design**  
[Zak Webb](#)  
arXiv:1510.02769

### Journal Publications

- 2015, Expected **Complexity of the XY antiferromagnet at fixed magnetization**  
*Andrew M. Childs, David Gosset, [Zak Webb](#)*  
to appear in Quantum Information and Computation  
arXiv:1503.07083
- May 2015 **Momentum switches**  
*Andrew M. Childs, David Gosset, [Zak Webb](#)*  
Quantum Information and Computation 15, 601  
arXiv:1406.4510

- 2015, Expected **The Bose-Hubbard model is QMA-complete**  
*Andrew M. Childs, David Gosset, Zak Webb*  
Extended abstract in the proceedings of ICALP 2014, pp. 308-319 (2014)  
Long version to appear in Theory of Computing  
arXiv:1311.3297
- February 2013 **Universal computation by multi-particle quantum walk**  
*Andrew M. Childs, David Gosset, Zak Webb*  
Science 339 (6121), 2013  
arXiv:1205.3782
- December 2008 **A short working distance multiple crystal x-ray spectrometer**  
*Brian Dickenson, Gerald T. Seidler, Zak Webb, Joe A. Bradley, Ken P. Nagle, Steve M. Heald, Robert A. Gordon, I-Ming Chou*  
Review of Scientific Instruments 79 (123112), 2008  
arXiv:0809.3617

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## Conference Presentations

- January 2015 **18th QIP** Sydney, Australia (Poster)  
July 2014 **41st ICALP** Copenhagen, Denmark (Contributed Talk)