

Computational research scientist with over ten years of professional experience, including six years advancing two pioneering research domains within the field of physics. Skilled in programming, analytical modeling, machine learning, and parallel & distributed computer (HPC). Excels at developing systematic approaches to making sense of information.

## EXPERIENCE

### RESEARCH AFFILIATE

APR 2024 — PRESENT

Georgia Institute of Technology | Atlanta, GA

- Created market sentiment classification architecture for large social media datasets using (1) a fine-tuned finBERT model, and (2) OpenAI API endpoint completion (GPT-3.5 Turbo) in Python.
- Built AI-driven investment classification model, generating trade signals from a network model trained on vectorized social media passages, concatenated network metrics, and time-series data for underlying market securities.

### GRADUATE RESEARCH SCIENTIST

AUG 2018 — MAY 2024

School of Physics, Georgia Institute of Technology | Atlanta, GA

Selected Awards: Herbert P. Haley Fellowship, Georgia Tech Quantum Alliance Fellowship (x2)

#### Computational Plasma Physics

- Programmed highly-parallelized, 3-D computational models in C++ to study plasma dynamics and magnetospheric physics; authored original, peer-reviewed research articles in leading space physics journal.
- Applied advanced statistical techniques (e.g., minimum variance analysis, multivariate regression) to large, multi-dimensional datasets to extract key features of moon-plasma interaction dynamics using Python.
- Translated broad scientific research goals into quantitative questions that could be answered by combining computational model results with empirical data (e.g., *in situ* spacecraft time-series measurements).

#### Computational Quantum Physics

- Created novel deep learning model of stacked convolutional neural networks to accurately reconstruct sparsely sampled low-energy quantum states using supervised learning with Python and TensorFlow
- Leveraged tensor network methods to create several novel algorithms for reconstructing quantum wavefunctions from small, random samplings of the state coefficients using Matlab and Python.
- Employed original tensor algorithms to extract new properties about the scaling behavior of entanglement entropy and information density in locally interacting quantum systems on finite 1-D and 2-D lattices.

### UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH ASSISTANT

AUG 2016 — MAY 2018

School of Physics, Joint Quantum Institute, University of Maryland | College Park, MD

- Generated computational models to perform circuit simulations in LTSPICE and built novel apparatuses for a laboratory experiment studying controllable disorder in ultracold quasi-2D Bose gases.
- Designed and constructed original, bespoke circuitry to levitate quantum condensates during imaging procedures; device facilitated data production for several peer-reviewed publications.
- Programmed numerical implementation of the Gross-Pitaevskii equation for disordered systems in Matlab.

### CO-FOUNDER

OCT 2012 — AUG 2014

Steelfire Investments, LLC | Bethesda, MD

- Founded investment firm anchored in cutting-edge academic research on the optimal implementation and management of ultra low-cost, equal-weighted, index-oriented portfolios.
- Implemented portfolio construction protocols, data pipeline using industry tools / APIs (e.g., Datastream).

### ANALYST

OCT 2008 — SEP 2011

Strategic Investment Group, LLC | Rosslyn, VA

- Performed quantitative and qualitative analysis on performance and risk management metrics for institutional portfolios and endowment funds. Built new vintage-year weighted benchmarking scheme for PE portfolios.
- Created an automated, real-time data analytics pipeline for informing daily futures trading activity. Resulting product was adopted across all client portfolios and recognized via annual company-wide "Brilliant Alpha" award.

## Co-FOUNDER, DIRECTOR OF RISK MANAGEMENT

Nov 2007 — MAY 2008

Undergraduate Student Investment Fund, *University of Southern California* | Los Angeles, CA

- Co-founded inaugural Undergraduate Student Investment Fund at USC, contributed to initial capital campaign, and designed the fund's portfolio management framework and roles.
- Programmed quantitative model for the fund's completion portfolio, used regression techniques with the Fama-French 3-Factor model to minimize fund's tracking error with respect to benchmark S&P 500.

## EDUCATION

PHD IN PHYSICS, GEORGIA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY

EST. MAY 2024

BS IN PHYSICS, UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND - COLLEGE PARK

MAY 2018

BA IN BUSINESS, UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

MAY 2008

## SKILLS

**PROGRAMMING LANGUAGES:** Python • C • C++ • Matlab • SQL

**DEV. TOOLS:** NumPy • SciPy • Matplotlib • MPI • OpenMP • OpenAI API • TensorFlow|Keras

**DEV. SUPPORT:** Git • Conda • Jupyter • Spyder • Linux | MacOS | Windows • Bash • GPT 3.5 | 4

**MATH:** Vector calculus • ODEs | PDEs • Linear algebra • Tensor methods • Probability • Statistics

**OTHER:** Excel | VBA • PowerPoint • Teams • SharePoint •  $\LaTeX$  • Bloomberg | Datastream | FactSet

## RECENT PUBLICATIONS

- [1] **Aaron Stahl**, Peter Addison, Simon Sven, and Lucas Liuzzo. "A Model of Ganymede's Magnetic and Plasma Environment During the Juno PJ34 Flyby". In: *Journal of Geophysical Research: Space Physics* 128.12 (2023), e2023JA032113.
- [2] Peter Addison, C. Michael Haynes, **Aaron Stahl**, Lucas Liuzzo, and Sven Simon. "Magnetic Signatures of the Interaction Between Europa and Jupiter's Magnetosphere During the Juno Flyby". In: *Geophysical Research Letters* 51.2 (2024), e2023GL106810.
- [3] Lucas Liuzzo, Quentin Nénon, Andrew Poppe, **Aaron Stahl**, Sven Simon, and Shahab Fatemi. "On the Formation of Trapped Electron Radiation Belts at Ganymede". In: *Geophysical Research Letters* 52.2 (2024), 2024GL109058.
- [4] **Aaron Stahl** and Glen Evenbly. "Reconstruction of Randomly Sampled Quantum Wavefunctions using Tensor Methods". In: *arXiv preprint arXiv:2310.01628* (2023).