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Employment History

2023 – 2024 Supervisor for Part II Stellar Dynamics and Structure of Galaxies Module Institute of Astronomy, University of Cambridge

Sep 2021 — "Developing a Remote Operation Mode for the TARA Radio Telescope" Centre for Extragalactic Astronomy, Durham University

Education

2022 – Present Ph.D., University of Cambridge Physics
Thesis title: Foreground Modelling using Bayesian Techniques for 21cm Cosmology.

2018 − 2022 MPhys., Durham University Physics with Astronomy.

Thesis title: The Gaia and HST Cepheid Scales and the Tension in Hubble's Constant.

Research Publications

- S. A. K. Leeney, H. T. J. Bevins, E. d. L. Acedo, et al., Radiometer Calibration using Machine Learning, Apr. 2025. ODI: 10.48550/arXiv.2504.16791. arXiv: 2504.16791 [astro-ph]. (visited on 04/24/2025).
- C. J. Kirkham, W. J. Handley, J. Zhu, et al., Accounting for Noise and Singularities in Bayesian Calibration Methods for Global 21-cm Cosmology Experiments, Dec. 2024. ODOI: 10.48550/arXiv.2412.14023. arXiv: 2412.14023 [astro-ph]. (visited on 12/19/2024).
- C. J. Kirkham, D. J. Anstey, and E. d. L. Acedo, A Bayesian Method to Mitigate the Effects of Unmodelled Time-Varying Systematics for 21-cm Cosmology Experiments, Oct. 2023. ODOI: 10.48550/arXiv.2310.17975. arXiv: 2310.17975 [astro-ph]. (visited on 10/31/2023).

Skills

Coding Python, LaTeX, Git, UNIX.

Databases ADQL.

Web Dev HTML, css, JavaScript.

Misc. Academic research, teaching, LaTEX typesetting and publishing.

Talks

Conference and Workshop Talks

Apr 2025 Accounting for Noise and Singularities in Bayesian Calibration Methods for Global 21-cm Cosmology Experiments" Friday Lunchtime Astronomy Talk, Durham, UK

Talks (continued)

- Feb 2025 Accounting for Noise and Singularities in Bayesian Calibration Methods for Global 21-cm Cosmology Experiments" Hills Coffee Talk, Cambridge, UK
- Sep 2024 Annual Meeting, Mahabaleshwar, India
- May 2024 Gaussian Processes for Systematic Mitigation" URSI AT-RASC, Gran Canaria, Spain
- Feb 2024 **Gaussian Processes for Mitigating Systematics in Global 21-cm Cosmology Experiments**" Institute of Astronomy Wednesday Seminar, University of Cambridge, Cambridge, UK
 - "Gaussian Processes for Mitigating Systematics" Science with the 21-cm line, Kavli Science Focus Meeting, University of Cambridge, Cambridge, UK
- Sep 2023 "A Bayesian Method to Mitigate the Effects of Unmodelled Time-Varying Systematics for 21-cm Cosmology Experiments" REACH Annual Meeting, University of Malta, Valetta, Malta

Poster Presentations

- Oct 2024 A Marginalised Bayesian Noise Wave Calibration Method for Global 21-cm Cosmology Experiments" Global 21-cm Workshop, Raman Research Institute, Bengaluru, India
- Mar 2024 "A Bayesian Method to Mitigate the Effects of Unmodelled Time-Varying Systematics for 21-cm Cosmology Experiments" Cosmology in the Alps, Les Diablerets, Switzerland

Miscellaneous Experience

Awards and Achievements

- 2025 College Senior Scholarship, Fitzwilliam College, Cambridge
- 2024 College Senior Scholarship, Fitzwilliam College, Cambridge
- 2019 Physics Award for Outstanding Achievement, Durham University

References

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