# Bryan T. Weinstein

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### Education

Harvard University

Cambridge, MA Expected May 2018

PhD in Applied Physics

- Advisors:
  - \* David R. Nelson: Professor of Physics and Applied Physics; Solomon Professor of Biophysics
  - \* Andrew W. Murray: Herschel Smith Professor of Molecular Genetics, Professor of Molecular and Cellular Biology, Director of FAS Center for Systems Biology
- GPA: 3.96/4.00

Harvard University

Cambridge, MA

Expected May 2018

Secondary Field in Computational Science and Engineering

- Took four advanced applied math and scientific computing courses

- Learned how to use state-of-the-art computational methods in scientific research
- Defended work in front of committee

Harvard University

Cambridge, MA

Expected May 2014

S.M. in Applied Physics

Case Western Reserve University Bachelor of Science in Engineering, Engineering Physics Cleveland, OH

May 2012

- GPA: 4.00/4.00 (Summa Cum Laude)
- Engineering Concentration: Aerospace Engineering
- Senior Project: Simulating Interactions between Confined Spins and Ferromagnetic Vortices

## **Fellowships**

Department of Energy Office of Science Graduate Fellowship

Washington, D.C.

 $Graduate\ Student$ 

September 2012 - September 2014

- Wrote proposal to win competitive fellowship supporting students pursuing training in areas relevant to Department of Energy (DOE)
- Selected out of 1,300 applicants; only 50 fellowships awarded
- Attended yearly conferences at National Laboratories; networked with other fellows and government officials

### Harvard University Pierce Fellow

Cambridge, MA

Graduate Student

September 2012 - September 2014

- Won fellowship awarded to the highest caliber PhD students accepted into Harvard's School of Engineering and Applied Sciences (SEAS)
- Selected out of 150 students; only 8 fellowships awarded

#### Graduate Research

Harvard University

Cambridge, MA

David R. Nelson & Andrew Murray: Physics, Molecular and Cellular Biology

Sept 2013 - Present

- Combined nonequilibrium statistical mechanics and experimental molecular biology to quantify the evolutionary dynamics of microbial range expansions
- Learned how to perform biological experiments in Dr. Andrew Murray's lab
- Captured images via fluorescent microscopy; utilized Python and ImageJ extensively for analysis

Bryan T. Weinstein 1 Fall 2014  Analyzed extremely large sets of biological data and created simulations to aid in scientific understanding

## • Harvard University

Cambridge, MA

Phillipe Cluzel: Applied Physics, Molecular and Cellular Biology

Jan 2013 - Sept 2013

- Extended previous microbial model to predict how spherical tumors respond to pairwise combinations of drugs
- Learned how to use a tissue culture room and grew several tumor cell lines in 96 well plates
- Imaged the tumors using standard microscopy techniques and used ImageJ to determine their sizes
- Installed and maintained an OMERO image analysis server to help store and quantify the images

### • Harvard University

Cambridge, MA

Joanna Aizenberg: Materials Science, Chemistry, Chemical Biology

Sept 2012 - Jan 2013

- Studied the mechanism by which water droplets coordinate their motions and form patterns on biomimetic hydrophobic surfaces
- Tracked motion of hundreds of randomly moving, merging droplets using ImageJ
- Created simulation in C++ to model droplet motion and compared it with experimental results

# Undergraduate Research

### • Rochester Institute of Technology

Rochester, NY

George Thurston: Physics

May 2010 - August 2012

- Studied liquid crystal mixtures in the eye related to cataracts
- Created computer simulations and animations with Mathematica
- Demonstrated how liquid crystal composition affects the refractive index of the eye
- Validated simulations with experimental data
- Prepared results for scientific publication

#### • Case Western Reserve University

Cleveland, OH

Jesse Berezovsky: Physics

Aug 2010 - May 2012

- Examined control of optically active nanocrystal quantum dots (QDs) at room temperature using microscopic ferromagnet magnetization dynamics
- Studied novel combinations of QDs and microscopic ferromagnets using the "Object Oriented Micro-Magnetic Framework" developed by National Institute of Standards and Technology
- Analyzed data from simulations with Matlab and other Linux-based tools
- Created custom animations to visualize simulations
- Uncovered ferromagnet-spin interactions relevant to room-temperature quantum computing

#### • Princeton Plasma Physics Laboratory

Princeton, NJ

Harry Mynick: Theory and Computation Department

May 2011 - Aug 2011

- Participated in "Science Undergraduate Laboratory Internship" through Department of Energy
- Designed graphical front end for previously developed Mathematica program that calculated important plasma physics quantities
- Utilized state-of-the-art computer cluster for scientific computing
- Distributed redesigned program to plasma physicists for broad usage

#### • Case Western Reserve University

Cleveland, OH

Corbin Covault: Physics

Sep 2009 - May 2010

- Identified faulty equipment at the Pierre Auger Cosmic Ray Observatory by analyzing data collected by 1600 Cherenkov surface detectors
- Created programs to monitor detector performance in real time
- Demonstrated that the number of faulty detectors was proportional to observatory temperature
- Used findings to design improved surface detectors being built at "Northern Auger Site" in Colorado

### • Case Western Reserve University

Mark Gridley: SAGES department

Cleveland, OH Jan 2009 - Aug 2009

- Designed a psychology study examining cross-modal perception of music
- Administered study to over 50 participants and analyzed results
- Co-authored a paper that was subsequently published in a peer-reviewed journal

#### Publications & Presentations

- [1] B. Weinstein, J. Aizenberg, P. Cluzel, and D. Nelson. On emergent macroscopic behaviors imparted by microscopic rules. In *DOE SCGF Fellows Annual Meeting 2013*, SLAC National Accelerator Laboratory, Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory, July 2013. DOE SCGF. Poster Presentation.
- [2] B. Weinstein and J. Berezovsky. Simulating Magnetization Dynamics of Ferromagnetic Vortices. Technical report, Case Western Reserve University Department of Physics, Cleveland, May 2012.
- [3] B. Weinstein and J. Liu. A graphical interface for the plasma apprentice: Easier access to plasma physics knowledge. In *Princeton Plasma Physics Laboratory's Annual End-of-Summer Poster Session*, Princeton, NJ, August 2011. Princeton Plasma Physics Laboratory. Poster Presentation.
- [4] B. Weinstein, J. Liu, H. Mynick, and E. Feibush. A graphical interface for the Plasma Apprentice: Easier access to plasma physics knowledge. *Journal of Undergraduate Research*, 11, 2011.
- [5] Bryan T. Weinstein and Mark C. Gridley. Visual Perception of Music. Psychology Journal, 7(3), 2010.

# Undergraduate Awards

#### • Case Alumni Association Prize

Cleveland, OH

Case Western Reserve University

5/2012

 Awarded to the graduating senior with the best academic record in the Case Western School of Engineering.

#### • Elmer C. Stewart Memorial Award

Cleveland, OH

Case Western Reserve University

5/2012

 Awarded to an outstanding senior in Physics who has demonstrated achievement in the applications of physics.

#### • B.S. Chandrasekhar Prize

Cleveland, OH

Case Western Reserve University

5/2011

Received for demonstrating superior performance in physics.

### • Rochester Engineering Society Scholarship

Rochester, NY

Rochester Engineering Society

5/2011

 Merit-based award recognizing outstanding engineering, engineering technology, science, or technology students from the Rochester area.

### • Outstanding Junior Award

Cleveland, OH

Case Western Reserve University

5/2011

 Awarded to juniors with the best academic record at the end of five semesters in the Case School of Engineering.

### • National Edward O'Connor Scholarship

Cleveland, OH

Aerospace States Association

8/2010

- Awarded to enterprising and innovative students planning to pursue career in Aerospace Engineering; only two scholarships given in the nation.

### • Case Alumni Scholarship

Cleveland, OH

Case Western Reserve University

- Competitive award given to undergraduates pursuing degree related to applied science.

### • Outstanding Sophomore Award

Cleveland, OH

Case Western Reserve University

5/2010

5/2010

 Awarded to sophomores with the best academic record at the end of three semesters in the Case School of Engineering.

### • Provost's Scholarship

Cleveland, OH

Case Western Reserve University

8/2008

Received when entering Case Western Reserve University based on high-school accomplishments, such
as being the valedictorian of high-school class of 598 students.

# Specialized Skills

### • Computer

- Operating Systems: Linux/Unix, Windows, Macintosh
- Selected Languages & Programs: Python, Mathematica, Matlab, C++, CUDA, Java, Axiovision, Bash, LATEX, OOMMF, Origin, Windows Powershell, HTML, CSS
- Hardware: Build customized computers for scientific applications
- Miscellaneous: Significant experience optimizing programs to run on multiple processors, graphics processing units, and supercomputers

## • Laboratory

- Signal analysis instrumentation
- Spectroscopy, multi-channel analyzers, photomultiplier tubes
- Ultra-high vacuum surface science
- Ultrasonic methods to determine material properties
- Thermionic emission in vacuums
- Experimental methods to analyze chaotic systems

# Analytical

- Expert at solving partial differential equations
- Expertise utilizing Mathematica to solve complex physical problems

#### Certifications

### • Engineer in Training (EIT)

Ohio

Active

September 2012

- Successfully passed Fundamentals of Engineering Exam

### **Professional Organizations**

• Tau Beta Pi Engineering Honor Society

## **Undergraduate References**

# • Dr. George Thurston

Professor of Physics

Rochester Institute of Technology Department of Physics

- Relationship: Previous Research Advisor
- Web Page: http://www.rit.edu/cos/george-thurston

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### • Dr. Jesse Berezovsky

Assistant Professor of Physics

Case Western Reserve University Department of Physics

- Relationship: Previous Research Advisor
- Web Page: http://www.phys.cwru.edu/faculty/index.php?berezovsky
- Email: jab298@case.edu
- Phone: (216) 368-4034

### • Dr. Walter Lambrecht

Professor of Physics

Case Western Reserve University Department of Physics

- Relationship: Undergraduate Academic Advisor
- $-\ \mathit{Web\ Page} \colon \texttt{http://www.phys.cwru.edu/faculty/index.php?lambrecht}$
- Email: walter.lambrecht@case.edu
- Phone: (216) 368-6120

# • Dr. Harry Mynick

Principal Research Physicist

Princeton Plasma Physics Laboratory

- Relationship: Previous Research Advisor
- Web Page: http://w3.pppl.gov/theory/mynick.html
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