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Summary

- Pro-active and creative software developer and researcher with skills and experience in mathematics, astrophysics and statistics
- Led research culminating in several publications in high impact astronomy journals
- Experience writing software package for numerical simulations and statistical analysis
- Efficient tutoring experience of over 5 years with adaptive style of mentoring ideal for training
- Over 6 years of experience in OOP with Python, C++, Fortran using Unix, Linux and version control
- Professional in teams, independently and as a leader, with keen attention to detail and punctuality

Career History

TNEI	<i>August 2021 -</i>
<i>Senior Software Engineer</i> (Jul 2022 -)	
Software lead of IPSA and software co-ordinator of the 2.10.0 release in May 2022. Modernisation and feature development within the C++ and <i>Fortran</i> codebase including energy storage functionality and updated arc flash calculations. Ongoing development and modernisation of the IPSA UI using <i>Qt</i> and deployment with <i>Python</i> and <i>WiX</i> . Lead on new design features and backend final assessments with aspects of Agile software development.	
<i>Software Engineer</i> (Aug 2021 - Jul 2022)	
Developer of the IPSA power systems software. All developments include source code written in C++ and <i>Fortran</i> with scripting in <i>Python</i> and UI framework based on <i>Qt</i> .	
Jodrell Bank Center for Astrophysics	<i>May 2020 - August 2021</i>
<i>Postdoctoral Research Associate</i>	
Researcher into non-standard physics in the cosmic microwave background. Lead of forecasting paper on signals for ESA missions such as <i>Voyage 2050</i> . Principal component analysis code (see FEARec) with non-standard physics models in the early universe. Co-wrote a <i>Voyage 2050</i> proposal forecasting for non-standard physics variations with spectral distortions using future space missions and the Wikipedia page .	

Technical Skills

Mathematical Skills	ODE/PDE solving, iterative/non-linear solvers, PCA
Statistical Tools	Linear regression, Monte Carlo simulations, dimensional reduction
Computer Languages	C/C++, Python, Fortran, bash, LaTeX, PowerShell, XML/YAML, Markdown
Software and Tools	numpy, matplotlib, pandas, scipy, Eigen, Mathematica, XMGrace, Git, IPSA, Qt
Programming Features	UI/UX development, multiprocessing/HPC, OOP, Agile

Teaching

Undergraduate Personal Tutor, Second Year Undergraduate Teaching	<i>Manchester, 2020 - 2021</i>
Computing Lab (C++) Demonstrator, Object Oriented Programming in C++	<i>Manchester, 2019</i>
Working Teaching Co-ordinator, First Undergraduate Teaching	<i>Manchester, 2016 - 2018</i>

Education

Jodrell Bank Center for Astrophysics, University of Manchester	<i>2016 - 2020</i>
- Ph.D. in Astronomy and Astrophysics (Theoretical Cosmology)	
- Probing the Recombination History with CMB Anisotropies and Spectral Distortions	
- Supervised by Jens Chluba	
- Resulted in 3 first author publications and contributions to the <i>Voyage 2050</i> ESA Proposals	
- Attended 4 conferences as a speaker and co-ordinated a conference for students at JBCA	
University of Manchester	<i>2012 - 2016</i>
- M.Phys in Physics (1st Hons.)	
- Masters Project supervised by Sarah Bridle , Joe Zuntz and Michael Troxel	
- <i>Modified Gravity vs. Intrinsic Alignments in Weak Gravitational Lensing</i>	
- Student internship with Richard Battye in 2015 focussing on Monte Carlo techniques within cosmology	

Publications

See [List of Publications](#).

Other Experience

University of Manchester Cancer Research UK Society (CRUKSoc)	<i>2013 - 2016</i>
<i>Chairman and Founder</i>	
Primary organiser and co-ordinator of the first CRUK society at the University of Manchester. Led variety of fundraisers such as concerts, comedy nights and quiz nights. Raised over £20,000 managing the society of over 200 members.	
Jodrell Bank Center for Astrophysics Postgraduate Committee	<i>2018</i>
<i>Chairman</i>	
Communicating any academic issues/logistic problems (i.e. short-term teaching contracts) to managers and responsible for the wellbeing movement within the Department of Physics and Astronomy, 2016 - 2018.	

Organisations

Associate Member	<i>Institution of Analysts and Programmers (IAP) 2022 -</i>
Journal Referee	<i>MNRAS, Physical Review, EPJ, JCAP 2020 -</i>
Physics Repr., School of Physics and Astronomy	<i>University of Manchester, 2012 - 2020</i>