DANIEL POLIN

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EDUCATION

University of California Davis

Master of Science in Physics

June 2017 - Present December 2018

New York University

August 2013 - May 2017

Bachelor of Arts in Physics with Minors in Astronomy and Mathematics

RESEARCH AND PROJECTS

Rubin Observatory LSST Camera Vera C. Rubin Observatory, UC Davis, SLAC - Advisor J. Anthony Tyson

Characterization of photometric and astrometric distortions of the camera's CCD detectors. The LSST camera is the largest digital camera yet constructed and is planned for use in a ten year survey of the entire southern sky. In my role as an instrumentalist I worked on construction of the camera rafts which form the focal plane. I was involved in the design and implementation of corrective camera raft hardware to meet operational specifications.

Dark Radio Experiment UC Davis - Advisor J. Anthony Tyson

A direct detection search for dark photon dark matter in the nano- to milli-eV mass range. We use novel spectrum analysis methods using a bicon antenna in an EM shielded chamber to scan for hidden-photons from 50-300MHz.

PAPERS AND PRESENTATIONS

Papers

- Tyson, J.A., et. al., "Mitigation of LEO Satellite Brightness and Trail Effects on the Rubin Observatory LSST," 2020. Accepted by the Astronomical Journal and Available on the arXiv at https://arxiv.org/abs/2006.12417.
- Drlica-Wagner, A, et. al., "Probing the Fundamental Nature of Dark Matter with the Large Synoptic Survey Telescope," 2019. Available at the arXiv at https://arxiv.org/abs/1902.01055.

Presentations

• Oral Technical Presentation, 2016 APS March Meeting, Baltimore, MD, Ab-initio Density Functional Theory Studies of Electronic, Transport, and Bulk Properties of Sodium Oxide (Na₂O)

TECHNOLOGICAL STRENGTHS

Programming Python, Labview, MATLAB, Mathematica, HTML, C++
Software Adobe Photoshop, Audacity, SolidWorks, COMSOL

Platforms Linux (Ubuntu), Windows, Mac

Typesetting LATEX

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

University of California, Davis Graduate Student Instructor

Physics 122 - Advanced Lab Winter 2019, Spring 2019

Physics 105A - Upper Level Mechanics Fall 2018

Physics 157 - Advanced Astronomy Lab Spring 2018

Physics 7C (Waves, Optics, and Quantum Mechanics)

Fall 2017

Lathe Techniques (Woodworking) Fall 2019, Winter 2020

New York University Adjunct Recitation Instructor

General Physics I (Mechanics) Fall 2014, 2015, 2016

General Physics II (Electricity & Magnetism) Fall 2015, 2016, 2017

ORGANIZATIONS AND AWARDS

UC Davis Graduate Organization of Physics Students Founder/Council Member 2018 - Present

UC Davis Graduate Physics Curriculum Committee Committee Member 2019 - 2020

UC Davis Graduate Travel Grant Committee Committee Member 2019 - 2020

2020 Starting Travel Grain Committee

UC Davis Diversity and Inclusion in Physics

Member 2017 - Present

2017

Ray and Constance Chandler Fellow

MANUFACTURING SKILLS

Machining Milling Machine, Lathe, CNC, CAD Software

Soldering

Welding Oxyacetylene, MIG, TIG, Brazing

Woodworking Joinery, Lathe, Hand Tools, Advanced Techniques

LANGUAGES

English ILR 5: Native proficiency

Latin ILR 3: Professional working proficiency
Spanish ILR 2: Limited working proficiency