Chris Hamilton

Curriculum Vitae

Nationality: U.K.

Date of birth: 13 February 1995

Dept. of Applied Math. & Theor. Physics (DAMTP),

Centre for Mathematical Sciences,

University of Cambridge

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EDUCATION

• University of Cambridge, DAMTP / Emmanuel College PhD Student in Theoretical Astrophysics Supervisor: Dr. Roman Rafikov. Advisor: Prof. Gordon Ogilvie. Oct. 2017 - June 2021 (expected)

• University of Oxford, Merton College
Master of Mathematical and Theoretical Physics

Oct. 2013 - June 2017

First Class (BA part, Physics) / Distinction (4th yr., MMathPhys)

• Lord Lawson of Beamish Academy, Gateshead, U.K. A level: $4A^*$ grades (Math., Further Math., Physics, Eng. Lit.). GCSE: $12A^*$, 2.5A.

Sep. 2006 - July 2013

PUBLICATIONS

- [1] **C. Hamilton** and R. R. Rafikov, "Secular dynamics of binaries in stellar clusters III. Doubly-averaged dynamics in the presence of general relativistic precession", *submitted to Monthly Notices of the Royal Astronomical Society*, arXiv:2011.14947, Nov. 2020.
- [2] **C. Hamilton** and T. Heinemann, "Noise and waves: a unified kinetic theory for stellar systems", submitted to Monthly Notices of the Royal Astronomical Society, arXiv:2011.14812, Nov. 2020.
- [3] **C. Hamilton**, "A simple, heuristic derivation of the Balescu-Lenard kinetic equation for stellar systems", submitted to Monthly Notices of the Royal Astronomical Society, arXiv:2007.07291, Jul. 2020.
- [4] **C. Hamilton** and R. R. Rafikov, "Compact Object Binary Mergers Driven By Cluster Tides: A New Channel for LIGO/Virgo Gravitational-wave Events", *The Astrophysical Journal Letters*, vol. 881, no. 1, L13, Aug. 2019.
- [5] **C. Hamilton** and R. R. Rafikov, "Secular dynamics of binaries in stellar clusters II. Dynamical evolution", *Monthly Notices of the Royal Astronomical Society*, vol. 488, no. 4, pp. 5512–5535, Oct. 2019.
- [6] **C. Hamilton** and R. R. Rafikov, "Secular dynamics of binaries in stellar clusters I. General formulation and dependence on cluster potential", *Monthly Notices of the Royal Astronomical Society*, vol. 488, no. 4, pp. 5489–5511, Oct. 2019.
- [7] C. Hamilton, J.-B. Fouvry, J. Binney, and C. Pichon, "Revisiting relaxation in globular clusters", Monthly Notices of the Royal Astronomical Society, vol. 481, no. 2, pp. 2041–2061, Dec. 2018.

Prizes & Awards

• Young researcher fellowship, Vlasovia-2019

Covering expenses for attendance at the Vlasovia-2019 conference.

July 2019

• Commendation for best MMathPhys Dissertation, University of Oxford

Title: 'Fluctuation and Relaxation in Stellar Systems'. Supervisor: Prof James Binney FRS.

• Research Studentship, Newcastle University

Funding to pursue a 6 week laboratory research project in the Dept. of Chemistry.

Aug. 2015

• 1st Place, Undergraduate Physics Speaking Competition, University of Oxford

Title: 'Chaos is come again'.

May 2015

• Exhibitionership & Postmastership, Merton College, Oxford

Awarded for first class examination results.

TEACHING

•	Supervisor for Cosmology, DAMTP, University of Cambridge	2017,2018,2019
	Gave regular tutorials to third year undergraduate mathematics students; total \sim 80 hours.	
•	Supervisor for Statistical Physics, DAMTP, University of Cambridge	2018
	Gave regular tutorials to third year undergraduate mathematics students; total \sim 25 hours.	
•	Mathematics support staff, Lord Lawson of Beamish Academy	2013
	Teaching mathematics to small groups/individuals aged 11-17 years; total over 100 hours.	

Computing skills

Python, Mathematica, Fortran, Julia, Matlab.

SCIENTIFIC PRESENTATIONS

•	Oxford Plasma Theory Seminar	June 2020
	University of Oxford, U.K. (online)	
•	Vlasovia-2019: Sixth Int'l Workshop on the Vlasov Equation	July 2019
	ECPM Strasbourg, France	
•	DAMTP Astrophysics Lunch Seminar	Oct. 2018
	University of Cambridge, U.K.	
•	Surrey Astrophysics Seminar	Oct. 2018
	University of Surrey, U.K.	
•	TRENDY-2: Triple Evolution & Dynamics	Sep. 2018
	Lorentz Center, Leiden, Netherlands	
•	DAMTP Astrophysics Lunch Seminar	May 2018
	University of Cambridge, U.K.	
•	Institute of Astronomy Galaxies Seminar	May 2018
	University of Cambridge, U.K.	

OTHER EXPERIENCE & RESPONSIBILITIES

• Reviewer for MNRAS

1 journal article.

Seminar organiser for DAMTP Astro Mondays and DAMTP Astro Lunch
 Responsible for inviting and hosting speakers from across the world. Organised 34 seminars in total.
 Summer research student, University of Oxford
 July - Aug. 2017
 Padalf Paicele Control for Theoretical Physics, Supervisory Prof. Lamps Pinney FPS

Rudolf Peierls Centre for Theoretical Physics. Supervisor: Prof. James Binney FRS.

• Summer research student, University of Oxford

Rudolf Peierls Centre for Theoretical Physics. Supervisor: Dr. Eugene Vasiliev.

• Summer research student, Newcastle University

Dept. of Chemistry. Supervisor: Dr. Toni Carruthers.

July - Aug. 2015

REFERENCES

- Dr. Roman Rafikov, University of Cambridge rrr@damtp.cam.ac.uk
- Prof. James Binney FRS, University of Oxford james.binney@physics.ox.ac.uk
- Prof. Alexander Schekochihin, University of Oxford a.schekochihin1@physics.ox.ac.uk