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Education

- 2022 – Now **Perimeter Institute**, Waterloo, ON, Canada
Master's Student
- 2018 – 2022 **Brown University**, Providence, RI, United States
Sc. B., Advisor: *Professor Stephon Alexander*
Research: Theoretical Dark Energy, Machine Learning

Research & Projects

- 2022 – Now **Physics Hackathon Creation**, *Project Leader: Professor Richard Gaitskell*, Creating a coding competition to expose Brown University physics concentrators to machine learning methods.
- 2021 – Now **Dark Energy Research**, *Advisor: Professor Stephon Alexander*, Examining whether a newly proposed model of dark matter and dark energy fits with well-established cosmology.
- 2020 – 2021 **Physics and Machine Learning Project**, *Advisor: Professor Stephon Alexander*, Developed a primer on machine learning to help researchers apply ML in all fields of physical science.
- 2021 – 2022 **Quantum Field Theory Renormalization Research**, *Advisor: Professor Jeremy Kahn*, Explored the use of analytic continuation to define specific renormalization methods more rigorously.
- 2019 – 2020 **Quantum Chemistry Computational Project**, *Advisor: Professor Brenda Rubenstein*, Developed software used to determine Hamiltonians and their approximate associated energy for arbitrary 2D Ising models.

Paper

The Physics of Machine Learning: An Intuitive Introduction for the Physical Scientist

By Stephon Alexander, Sarah Bawabe, Batia Friedman-Shaw, Michael Toomey

authorship is listed alphabetically

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Teaching

- 2019 – 2022 **Hebrew & Religious Studies Teacher**, Temple Beth El, Providence, RI.
- Fall 2021 **Grader**, *Math 180*, Multivariable Calculus, Brown University.
- Summer 2021 **Teaching Assistant**, *Math 0180*, Multivariable Calculus, Brown University.
- Summer 2021 **Grader**, Pre-College Quantum Mechanics, Brown University.
- Spring 2021 **Teaching Assistant**, *Phys 0070*, Analytical Mechanics, Brown University.
- Fall 2020 **Teaching Assistant**, *Phys 1420*, Quantum B, Brown University.

Honors & Awards

- 2022 **Magna Cum Laude**, *Brown University*, (Highest Distinction at Brown).
- 2022 **Honors in Physics**, *Brown University Physics Department*.
- 2021 **Sigma Pi Sigma Honors Society**, *Brown University Society of Physics Students*.
- 2019 **UTRA**, *Brown University Teaching and Research Award*.

Presentations

1. *Identity Theft: The story of how Dark Energy Masqueraded as Matter and Radiation*, Conference for Undergraduate Women in Physics (2022)
2. *Identity Theft: The story of how Dark Energy Masqueraded as Matter and Radiation*, Society of Physics Students Chapter Meeting (2022)
3. *Identity Theft: The story of how Dark Energy Masqueraded as Matter and Radiation*, Brown Physics Departmental Undergraduate Group 'Scialogue' Presentation (2021)
4. *Making Waves: Approximating Solutions to the Hubbard Model Using the Power Method*, Brown Physics Departmental Undergraduate Group 'Scialogue' Presentation (2020)
5. *Making Waves: Approximating Solutions to the Hubbard Model Using the Power Method*, Brown University Summer Research Symposium (2019)

Organizations & Outreach

- 2018 – 2022 **Member**, *Brown Physics Women in Science and Engineering (WiSE) Club*.
- 2019 **Coordinator**, *Brown Physics Departmental Undergraduate Group*.
- 2018 – 2022 **Member**, *Brown Physics Departmental Undergraduate Group*.
- 2017 – 2018 **Head Science Tutor Coordinator**, *Berkeley Preparatory School*.
- 2015 – 2018 **Science Tutor**, *Berkeley Preparatory School*.

Skills

- Computer Python, LaTeX, Mathematica, MATLAB, Maple, Markdown, HTML & CSS, Java, Adobe Illustrator, Photoshop
- Personal Communication, Creativity, Teaching, Lesson Planning, Perseverance, Problem Solving