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Preface

This CV gives details on a variety of my accomplishments and experiences throughout my academic career. Besides lists of my degrees and awards including competitive, national accolades as well as contributed and invited talks and publications, I also focus on my academic experiences and my longstanding commitment to science outreach efforts and mentoring. I've organized and led teams across a wide range of science outreach efforts aimed at broad general audiences as well as targeted groups. These efforts also include mentoring students in middle school through undergraduate and as well as preparing peers and younger students to take over the outreach leadership after I've moved on. This comprehensive document broadly demonstrates my commitment to academic pursuits and scientific outreach and mentoring.

Education

2015 B.S. in Physics and Mathematics - Drexel University, Philadelphia, PA

GPA: 3.92

2017 M.S. in Physics - Yale University, New Haven, CT

2018 Ph.M. in Physics - Yale University, New Haven, CT

(2021) Ph.D. in Physics - Yale University, New Haven, CT

Awards

2018 APS FGSA Travel Award (National)

Travel award for graduate student to present a talk at a conference

2017 NSF GRFP Fellow (National)

Fellowship for graduate students in STEM fields

2016 Benjamin Silliman Fellow (Yale Graduate School)

Endowed Fellowship for Yale graduate students

2014 Goldwater Scholar (National)

Scholarship for top 300 undergraduates in STEM research looking to pursue a Ph.D.

2014 Walter R. Coley Award (Drexel Physics Dept.)

Scholarship awarded to physics student at the top of the class of rising seniors

2013 Harry S. Chen Award (Drexel Physics Dept.)

Scholarship awarded to physics student of high merit

2012 M. Russel Wehr Award (Drexel Physics Dept.)

Scholarship awarded to physics underclassman who shows promise in teaching or science outreach

2010 National Merit Scholar

Awarded to top 1% of students as determined by the National College Board's PSAT.

Research Experience

Jul 2015 - Yale University, 272 Whitney Avenue, New Haven, CT 06511

Present Graduate Student Researcher

Develop and characterize antineutrino detector hardware both in house and on site at Oak Ridge National Lab, analyze data and write simulations in Python/C/ROOT as part of the PROSPECT collaboration. Coordinated working groups across multiple collaborations and countries in joint analysis efforts.

Mar 2014 - Drexel University, 3141 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia, PA 19104

June 2015 Particle Physics Research Assistant

Analyzed data from the EXO-200 collaboration using ROOT, developed new analysis software to search for specific decays with novel variables for fitting. Additionally developed simulations for source calibration studies for the PROSPECT collaboration using ROOT.

Apr 2013 - Drexel University, 3141 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia, PA 19104

Sep 2013 Mathematics Research Assistant

Wrote simulations in MATLAB to model low amplitude soliton waves in heterogeneous chains of nonlinear springs and masses. Coauthored a rigorous proof on a theorem approximating solutions of these solitons.

Apr 2012 - US Army Research Laboratory, 2800 Powder Mill Road, Adelphi, MD 20783

Sep 2012 Nuclear Physics Research Assistant

Helped manufacture, test, and calibrate radiation detectors, monitored beam time of the ATLAS accelerator at Argonne National Laboratory, and analyzed isotope spectroscopy using RadWare coincidence software.

Jun 2011 - Drexel University, 3141 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia, PA 19104

Sep 2011 STAR Researcher

Scholar of the Students Tackling Advanced Research (STAR) Program. Analyzed over 10 years of KamLAND data using self developed C++ software, set limits on the power output of a naturally occurring georeactor.

Publications

June 2020 M. Andriamirado et al. (PROSPECT Collaboration)

Improved Short-Baseline Neutrino Oscillation Search and Energy Spectrum Measurement

with the PROSPECT Experiment at HFIR DOI: arXiv:2003.12654, Submitted to PhysRevD

May 2020 A.B. Balantekin et al. (PROSPECT Collaboration)

Nonfuel Antineutrino Contributions in the High Flux Isotope Reactor

DOI: PhysRevC 101 (2020) 054605, arXiv:2003.12654

Oct 2019 J. Ashenfelter et al. (PROSPECT Collaboration)

The Radioactive Source Calibration System of the PROSPECT Reactor Antineutrino Detector

DOI: NIMA 944 (2019) 162465, arXiv:1906.07244

Jun 2019 J. Ashenfelter et al. (PROSPECT Collaboration)

Measurement of the Antineutrino Spectrum from 235 U Fission at HFIR with PROSPECT

DOI: PhysRevLett 122 (2019) 251801, arXiv:1812.10877

Feb 2019 J. Ashenfelter et al. (PROSPECT Collaboration)

A Low Mass Optical Grid for the PROSPECT Reactor Antineutrino Detector

DOI: JINST 14 (2019) P04014, arXiv:1902.06430

Jan 2019 J. Ashenfelter et al. (PROSPECT Collaboration)

Lithium-loaded Liquid Scintillator Production for the PROSPECT Experiment

DOI: JINST 14 (2019) P03026, arXiv:1901.05569

Dec 2018 J. Ashenfelter et al. (PROSPECT Collaboration)

First search for short-baseline neutrino oscillations at HFIR with PROSPECT

DOI: PhysRevLett. 121 (2018) 251802, arXiv:1806.02784

Jun 2018 J. Ashenfelter et al. (PROSPECT Collaboration)

Performance of a segmented ⁶Li-loaded liquid scintillator detector for the PROSPECT experiment

DOI: JINST 13 (2018) P06023, arXiv:1805.09245

Oct 2016 J. Ashenfelter et al. (PROSPECT Collaboration)

The PROSPECT Physics Program

DOI: Journal of Phys. G 43 (2016) 11, arXiv:1512.02202

Aug 2015 J. Ashenfelter et al. (PROSPECT Collaboration)

Light Collection and Pulse-Shape Discrimination in Elongated Scintillator Cells for the

PROSPECT Reactor Antineutrino Experiment DOI: JINST 10 (2015) P11004, arXiv:1508.06575

Jun 2015 J. Ashenfelter et al. (PROSPECT Collaboration)

Background Radiation Measurements at High Power Research Reactors

DOI: Nucl. Instru. Meth. Phys. Res. A 806 (2016) 401, arXiv:1506.03547

Oct 2014 J. Gaison, S. Moskow, J. D. Wright, and Q. Zhang

Approximation of Polyatomic FPU Lattices by KdV Equations

SIAM Multiscale Modeling & Simulation, 12(3), 953-995. (43 pages)

Presentations

Jun 2020 J. Gaison

Towards a Joint Constraint of the U-235 Reactor Antineutrino Spectrum by Combining

the Daya Bay, PROSPECT, and STEREO Measurements

Research poster presented at Neutrino 2020, Chicago, IL (virtual)

Dec 2018 J. Gaison

The Short Baseline Search for Sterile Neutrinos at Reactors

Invited talk presented NuPhys2018, London, UK

Apr 2018 J. Gaison

Calibration and Initial Performance of the PROSPECT Detector

Talk presented to the APS April Meeting, Columbus, OH

Oct 2016 J. Gaison

Development and Characterization of Li-doped Liquid Scintillator Detectors for PROSPECT

Talk presented to the APS Division of Nuclear Physics, Vancouver, B.C., Canada

Oct 2014 J. Gaison, M. Dolinski, Y.-R. Yen

Searching for the Decay of 136 Xe to the Excited State of 136 Ba Using EXO-200

Research poster presented to the APS Division of Nuclear Physics, Waikaloa, HI

Oct 2012 J. Gaison, J. J. Carroll, M. S. Litz

Spectroscopy of ¹⁶¹ Yb Using ATLAS/Gammasphere

Research poster presented to the APS Division of Nuclear Physics, Newport Beach, CA and at the Sigma Pi Sigma Quadrennial Congress, Orlando, FL

Sep 2011 J. Gaison, J. Maricic, E. Damon

Searching for a Naturally Occurring Georeactor with Antineutrinos

Research poster presented at the Drexel STAR Researcher Poster Symposium, Philadelphia, PA

Education and Outreach Experience

Jun 2018 - Yale University, New Haven, CT 06511

Jun 2020 Science in the News Director

Collaborate with local libraries and coordinate logistics, personnel, and schedules for multiple series of talks for the Science in the News program as part of the Yale Science Diplomats. Ran speaker auditions, managed talk coordinators and mentored speakers as they developed their talks.

Sep 2016 - Yale University, New Haven, CT 06511

Jun 2018 *Science in the News Coordinator*

Coordinated a series of science outreach talks at several different local libraries. I guided the development of the talks as well as coordinated logistics with the speakers and logistics at the event venues.

Sep 2017 - Yale University, New Haven, CT 06511

May 2020 Distilled Periodical Editor

Collaborated with graduate student authors to write articles for *Distilled*, a student-run periodical focusing on science communication and scientific literacy in the context of current events.

Sep 2018 - Yale University, New Haven, CT 06511

Dec 2018 Graduate Teaching Fellow

Operate as teaching support for a graduate level course in experimental particle physics. Responsibilities include development of grading material for homework problems and meeting with students during office hours.

Sep 2015 - Yale University, New Haven, CT 06511

May 2017 Graduate Teaching Fellow

Instruct a section of the introductory physics laboratory course at Yale University. Guides students in the lab class, grades lab reports and quizzes, and meets with students if they have questions or need help.

Sep 2015 - Yale University, New Haven, CT 06511

Mar 2016 Science in the News Speaker

Developed and presented in a series of physics talks at local libraries given to the general public. I worked with a team including two other speakers and coordinators.

Sep 2014 - Drexel University, Philadelphia, PA 19104

Jun 2015 Drexel Physics Fellow

Selected as a tutor for the introductory freshmen physics majors sequence. Covered topics in introductory physics, calculus, and computing.

Feb 2011 - Rutgers University, Camden, NJ 08102

Jun 2015 TeenSHARP Tutor / Coordinator

Coordinated volunteer tutors and tutored high school students from inner city areas near Camden, NJ in math and physics.

Apr 2013 - Little Flower Catholic High School, Philadelphia, PA 19140

Apr 2014 Physics Day Instructor

Collaborated as part of a team teaching physics classes for a day in a girls high school including demos on thermodynamics, electricity and magnetism, and optics.

Sep 2010 - Independence Charter School, Philadelphia, PA 19146

May 2012 Physics After School Program Instructor

Organized volunteers and taught various physics demos at an after school program for 7th and 8th graders. Topics included optics, thermodynamics, E&M, and kinematics.

Related Experiences

Sep 2019 - Yale University Physics Department, New Haven, CT 06511

Dec 2019 "Impact of the Atom" Seminar Participant

Participated in weekly readings and discussions on the many impacts of atomic physics on the world, focusing on the development and human impact of the atomic bomb.

June 2019 - Yale University Graduate Student Assembly, New Haven, CT 06511

May 2020 Treasurer

Maintained budget for the Yale Graduate Student Assembly and represented graduate student interests at bi-weekly meetings with the Graduate School of Arts and Science Dean's Office.

Jun 2018 - Yale University Graduate Student Assembly, New Haven, CT 06511

 ${\bf May\,2020} \qquad {\it Graduate\,Student\,Representative}$

Advocated on behalf of graduate students on a variety of issues to Yale University administration as an elected representative from the physics department.

May 2019 Yale University Office of Career Strategy, New Haven, CT 06511

3 Minute Thesis Finalist

Finalist in a graduate school wide competition challenging students to present their thesis work to a general audience in just three minutes using a single, static slide.

May 2017 Washington D.C.

Science Funding Advocate

Coordinated with other members of APS Division of Nuclear Physics to meet with congressional staff to advocate on behalf of the US Department of Energy Office of Science budget.

2012 - Drexel University Society of Physics Students, Philadelphia, PA 19146

2014 Chapter President

Co-authored proposals for numerous national grants and awards, including multiple Marsh White Outreach Awards, Sigma Pi Sigma Research Grants, and Future Faces of Physics Awards. Managed logistical duties, and ran general meetings.

2011 - Drexel University Society of Physics Students, Philadelphia, PA 19146

2012 Director of Outreach

Coordinated outreach events with local high school teachers, organized and prepped undergraduate volunteers with various demonstrations for secondary school students, and coordinated a partnership with the TeenSharp program offering college prep services to students in the Camden, NJ area.

Memberships

- American Physical Society
- APS Division of Nuclear Physics
- APS Division of Particles and Fields
- APS Forum on Graduate Student Affairs
- APS Forum on International Physics
- Sigma Pi Sigma Physics Honors Society
- National Society of Physics Students