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## My Story

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Results-oriented, quick learning data scientist with a strong statistics and mathematical background capable of working independently and as part of a team, with experience in simulation development, distributed cloud computing, data visualization, algorithm development, and bayesian analysis.

## Research Experience

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**Data Scientist** 2017 - Present

*Centre for Transformative Innovation, Swinburne University of Technology*

- Natural Language Analysis of European Patent Office claims.
- Cloud based translation pipeline for PATSTAT data set.
- Database management for multiple data sets.

**Data Science Fellow** 2015

*Open Science Data Cloud, School of Informatics University of Edinburgh*

*Supervisor: Malcolm Atkinson*

- Cloud computing correlation analysis of variants in Thousand Genome Project.
- Patient gene variant null model development using the Cancer Genome Atlas.

**Postdoctoral Researcher** 2015 2017

*Swinburne Center for Astrophysics and Supercomputing*

*Supervisor: Darren Croton & Virginia Kilborn*

- Developer on the Theoretical Astrophysics Observatory.
- Calculating magnitudes for semi-analytic galaxy catalogues.
- Clustering analysis of Gas Rich Irregular Galaxies.

**Research Assistant** 2008 2015

*Department of Physics and Astronomy; Vanderbilt University*

*Supervisor: Andreas Berlind*

- Predictive analytics of the galaxy distribution in terabyte scale astronomical surveys.
- The physical interpretation of spatial correlations in the Sloan Digital Sky Survey.
- Developed a massively parallel bayesian statistical pipeline to model correlations.

**Summer School in Statistics for Astronomers VIII** 2012

*The Pennsylvania State University*

## Education

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Degree	<b>Ph.D. in Physics</b>	2008	2015
University	<b>Vanderbilt University</b>		

Degree	<b>Bachelor of Arts in Astrophysics</b>	2004	2008
University	<b>Columbia University</b>		

## Computational Skills

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<b>Fluent Languages</b>	C, R, Python, Bash, CSS, HTML
<b>Competency</b>	javascript, d3.js, C++, FORTRAN
<b>Cluster Computing</b>	Stampede (TACC), Lonestar (TACC), Kraken (NICS)
<b>Cloud Computing</b>	Microsoft Azure, Google, AWS S3, VMs, Hadoop
<b>Tools</b>	Vim, Git, MySQL, L <sup>A</sup> T <sub>E</sub> X

## Papers

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### **The Spatial Distribution of Satellite Galaxies Within Halos: Measuring the Very Small Scale Angular Clustering of SDSS Galaxies**

Piscionere, J., Berlind A., McBride, C.K., Scoccimarro, R.  
2015ApJ...806..125P

### **The Very Small Scale Clustering of BOSS CMASS Galaxies.**

Piscionere, J., Berlind, A.  
2015, In Prep.

### **LasDamas: An Accurate Suite of Simulations and Mock Galaxy Catalogs**

McBride, C. K., Berlind, A. A., Busha, M., Gardner, J., Manera, M., Piscionere, J., Scoccimarro, R., van den Bosch, F. C., Wechsler, R.  
In Prep.

### **LOOC UP: locating and observing optical counterparts to gravitational wave bursts**

Kanner, J.; Huard, T. L.; Mørke, S.; Murphy, D. C.; Piscionere, J.; Reed, M.; Shawhan, P  
Class. Quantum Grav. 2008

## Talks & Posters

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### **“The Changing Spatial Distribution of Satellite Galaxies in Dark Matter Halos”**

*University of Melbourne*

December 2015

### **“The Spatial Distribution of Satellite Galaxies in Dark Matter Halos”**

*Northern Kentucky University*

April 2015

### **“The Very Small Scale Clustering of SDSS-II and SDSS-III Galaxies”**

*AAS*

January 2015

### **“Modeling the Very Small Scale Angular Clustering of SDSS Galaxies.”**

*Galaxies within the Cosmic Web*

June 2013

## Fellowships and Societies

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**American Astronomical Society, Junior Member**

2012 Present

**GAANN Fellow**

2009 2011

**NASA/New York State Space Grant**

2006

## References

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