











Academic positions

Max Planck Institute for Gravitational Physics (Albert Einstein Institute) Potsdam

• Postdoctoral Researcher

Nov 2022 - Present

Modelling of hyperbolic orbits of binary black holes using Effective One-Body, Numerical Relativity and self-force methods.

University of Southampton

• Doctoral Prize Research Fellow

Aug 2022 - Oct 2022

• Doctoral Prize Senior Research Assistant

Jun 2022 – Jul 2022

• Research Assistant

Jan 2022 - Mar 2022

Modelling of hyperbolic orbits of binary black holes with back-reaction in the extreme-mass-ratio limit using perturbation theory focusing on calculating the scalar self-force correction to the scatter angle as well as calculating the scatter angle to first-order in the mass ratio.

Education

Ph.D. in Mathematical Sciences, University of Southampton

Sep 2018 – Jun 2022

- Project title: Self-force in hyperbolic black hole encounters.
- Supervisor: Prof. Leor Barack.
- Project: Modelling of hyperbolic orbits of binary black holes with back-reaction in the extreme-mass-ratio limit using perturbation theory focusing on the derivation and development of a model to calculate the self-force correction to the scatter angle.
- Teaching: Running of undergraduate problem classes and helping with assessment.

MPhys in Physics, The University of Manchester

Sep 2014 – Jun 2018

- Final degree grade: First-class honours with an average of 80.4%.
- Modules: Gravitation, The Early Universe, Quantum Field Theory, Electrodynamics, etc.
- Master's project: Using Markov chain Monte Carlo methods on power spectra of the cosmic microwave background to resolve various tensions in the data through the use of different cosmological models.

A levels, Hereford Sixth Form College

Sep 2012 – Jun 2014

- A2 levels: Physics (A*), Mathematics (A), Chemistry (A) and Biology (A).
- AS levels: Further Mathematics (A).

GCSEs, Lacon Childe School

Sep 2007 – Jun 2012

• Eleven level 2 awards including GCSEs in English language and German.

Computing

- Extensive experience with Mathematica including tensor algebra, data analysis and graphics.
- Extensive experience with C++ including numerical calculations and data analysis.
- Extensive experience with Python including data analysis and graphics.
- Extensive experience with LATEX.

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Prizes

• Doctoral Prize, Engineering and Physical Sciences Research Council.

2022

• Best Student Talk Runner Up, 25th Capra Meeting on Radiation Reaction in GR.

Jun 2022

Publications

- L. Barack, Z. Bern, E. Hermann, **O. Long**, et al. Comparison of post-Minkowskian and self-force expansions: Scattering in a scalar charge toy model. arXiv:2304.09200.
- L. Barack & O. Long. Self-force correction to the deflection angle in black-hole scattering: A scalar charge toy model. *Phys. Rev. D*, **106**(104031), Nov 2022.
- O. Long & L. Barack. Time-domain metric reconstruction for hyperbolic scattering. *Phys. Rev. D*, 104(024014), Jul 2021.
- L. J. Gomes Da Silva, R. Panosso Macedo, **O. Long** & J. A. Valiente Kroon. Numerical Algorithm for the Computation of the Scalar Self-Force on a Charged Particle on a Schwarzschild background in the Time Domain. (*in preparation*).
- M. Boyle, K. Chatziioannou, et al. The SXS Collaboration catalog of binary black hole simulations II. (in preparation).
- N. Warburton, B. Wardell, et al. The Black Hole Perturbation Toolkit. (in preparation).
- S. Akçay, E. Barausse, et al. LISA Waveform Modelling Whitepaper. (in preparation).

Invited talks

- "Double the hype: A hyperboloidal calculation of hyperbolic self-force" Infinity on a Gridshell, Niels Bohr Institute, July 2023.
- "Extraction of high-order post-Minkowskian results from scattering self-force calculations" QCD meets Gravity 2022, Universität Zürich, 13th December 2022.

Conference presentations

- "Self-force in hyperbolic black hole encounters" LISA Symposium XIV, 25th 29th July 2022.
- "Self-force in hyperbolic black hole encounters" 23rd International Conference on General Relativity and Gravitation, Chinese Academy of Science via Zoom, 5th July 2022.
- "Self-force in hyperbolic black hole encounters" 25th Capra Meeting on Radiation Reaction in General Relativity, University College Dublin, 22nd June 2022.
- "Self-force in hyperbolic binary-black-hole encounters' BritGrav22, University of Glasgow via Zoom, 4th April 2022.
- "Time-domain metric reconstruction for hyperbolic scattering' 24th Capra Meeting on Radiation Reaction in General Relativity, Perimeter Institute via Zoom, 10th June 2021.
- "Towards a self-force calculation of the scatter angle in hyperbolic encounters' BritGrav21, University College Dublin via Zoom, 13th April 2021.
- "Towards a self-force calculation of the scatter angle in hyperbolic encounters' LISA Symposium XIII, 1st 3rd October 2020.
- "Towards a self-force calculation of the scatter angle in hyperbolic encounters' 23rd Capra Meeting on Radiation Reaction in General Relativity, University of Texas at Austin via Zoom, 24th June 2020.

Conference posters

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• "Time-domain metric reconstruction using the Hertz potential' 3rd meeting of the GWVerse COST action, Institute for Fundamental Physics of the Universe, International School for Advanced Studies, 13th – 16th January 2020.

Other events attended

- Black Hole Perturbation Toolkit Workshop (via Zoom), The Institute for Computational and Experimental Research in Mathematics, Brown University, 25th 27th July 2022.
- From Scattering Amplitudes to Gravitational-Wave Predictions for Compact Binaries, Universität Zürich & ETH Zürich, 4th 15th July 2022.
- Advances and Challenges in Computational Relativity Workshop (Online), The Institute for Computational and Experimental Research in Mathematics, Brown University, 14th 18th September 2020.
- Black Hole Perturbation Toolkit Workshop (Online), Astronomical Institute of the Academy of Sciences of the Czech Republic, 25th 27th May 2020.
- Kavli RISE Summer School on Gravitational Waves, University of Cambridge, 23rd 27th September 2019.
- 22nd International Conference on General Relativity and Gravitation and 13th Edoardo Amaldi Conference on Gravitational Waves, Palau de congressos de Valencia, 8th 12th July 2019.
- 22nd Capra Meeting on Radiation Reaction in General Relativity, Centro Brasileiro de Pesquisas Físicas, 17th 21st June 2019.
- LISA Waveform Working Group Meeting, Max Planck Institute for Gravitational Physics (Albert Einstein Institute), 13th 15th May 2019.
- BritGrav19, Durham University, 15th 16th April 2019.
- Black Hole Perturbation Toolkit Workshop, University College Dublin, 19th 21st March 2019.

Research collaborations

Laser Interforemeter Space Antenna (LISA) Consortium

Oct 2018 - Present

• Member of the Waveform Working Group and LISA Early Career Scientists (LECS).

The Black Hole Perturbation Toolkit

Mar 2019 - Present

• Contributor to the KerrGeodesics package.

Simulating eXtreme Spacetimes (SXS) collaboration

Nov 2022 – Present

• Contributor to the Spectral Einstein Code (SpEC).

LIGO Scientific Collaboration (LSC)

Apr 2023 - Present

• Contributor to the pySEOBNR code.

References

Available upon request.